



Ardmore Moravian Church

April 19, 2026

WATCH WORD FOR THE WEEK:

You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

1 Peter 1:23

Luke 24:13-35

¹³ Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” ¹⁹ He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.” ²⁵ Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” ²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” ³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴ They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH

Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026

Prelude “Open My Eyes, That I May See” David H. Hegarty

Call to Worship

This is the day which the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

From the rising to the setting of the sun,

The name of the Lord be praised.

“Open the Eyes of My Heart”

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,

open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You, I want to see You

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,

open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You, I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up

shining in the light of Your glory

Pour out Your power and love

as we sing holy holy holy

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,

open the eyes of my heart

*I want to see You,
I want to see You...*

*Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,
open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You,
I want to see You...*

*To see You high and lifted up
shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love
as we sing holy holy holy*

*Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
I want to see You*

"10,000 Reasons"

*Chorus: Bless the Lord, oh my soul,
oh my soul, worship his Holy name
Sing like never before,
oh my soul, I'll worship your Holy name.*

*The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
it's time to sing your song again
whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
let me be singing when the evening comes...*

*Chorus: Bless the Lord, oh my soul,
oh my soul, worship his Holy name
Sing like never before,
oh my soul, I'll worship your Holy name.*

*You're rich in love and you're slow to anger,
your name is great and your heart is kind
for all Your goodness I will keep on singing
ten thousand reasons
for my heart to find...*

Chorus

*And on that day when my strength is failing
the end draws near and my time has come,
still my soul will sing your praise unending
ten thousand years and then forevermore...*

Chorus

Greeting One Another

Welcome and Announcements

Liturgy

Glory be to you, Lord God, our Father.

You are the merciful Father, the God from whom all help comes.

You chose us in Jesus Christ our Lord before the creation of the world.

You rescued us from the power of darkness and brought us safe into the kingdom of your dear Son.

In our union with Christ you have blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly world.

You have made us worthy to share in that which you have reserved for your people in the kingdom of light.

Your love is so great that we may be called the children of God.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we join in proclaiming the glory of your name.

“How Deep the Father's Love ”

How deep the Father's love for us,

how vast beyond all measure!

That He should give His only Son,

to make a wretch His treasure.

How great the pain of searing loss!

The Father turns His face away;

As wounds which marred the Chosen One

bring many sons to glory.

Praise, honor, and glory be to you, Christ Jesus, Son of the living God.

To you be glory at all times, in the church which waits on earth for you, and in that which is with you in heaven, now and forever.

Jesus, you are the eternal Word, who became a human being and lived among us.

Those who were yours saw your glory, the glory which you received as the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth.

In you, the full content of the divine nature dwells in a human body. You are the true God and eternal life.

Through you the whole universe is reconciled to God.

You made peace through your death on the cross.

Therefore God raised you to the highest place above, and gave you the name which is greater than any other name.

“How Deep the Father's Love ”

*Behold the man upon a cross:
my sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life:
I know that it is finished.*

Glory be to you, Holy Spirit, our Teacher, Guide, and Comforter.

We proclaim your righteousness and praise.

You pour out the love of God into the hearts of all believers, and make their bodies your holy temples.

By our own reason or strength we cannot believe in Jesus Christ our Lord, or come to him; but you call us through the gospel and enlighten us with gifts of grace.

You dedicate us to God in the true faith, and you enable us to remain in union with Jesus Christ.

We praise you, together with the Father and the Son, now and forever.

“How Deep the Father's Love ”

*I will not boast in anything:
no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ:
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart:
his wounds have paid my ransom.*

Prayers of Confession and Intercession

Hear us now as we confess our sins and seek your forgiveness:

“O Lord, Hear My Prayer” MBW # 745

*O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer;
when I call answer me.*

*O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer;
come and listen to me.*

(Repeat)

Most merciful God,

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

The Lord says: I, even I, am the God who blots out your transgressions for my own sake and will not remember your sins. Go and sin no more.

Lord, make us truly one in spirit with all your faithful people as we profess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,**

of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin
Mary,
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.

Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.

Who has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” MBW # 743

*What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!*

*What a privilege to carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
ev'rything to God in prayer.*

*Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness;
take it to the Lord in prayer!*

*Are we weak and heavy laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge,
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield you;
you will find a solace there.*

Almighty God, for the opportunity to be used by you in the
life of your church,

For our use of your splendid gifts,

For the joy of obedient service,

We dedicate ourselves to you.

For our creation and preservation, and all the blessings of this
life,

For your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world
by our Lord Jesus Christ,

For the fellowship and ministry of your body, the church,

For the opportunity of service in Christ's name through the
power of the Holy Spirit,

For your personal presence among us to guide and bless,

We offer our thanks, dear Lord.

For our congregation, that we may know and do your will,

For our bishops, ministers, teachers, and leaders, that they
may guide your people in the truth

For the peace of the world, and for the renewal of your whole church by the power of the Holy Spirit,

For all who, in your name, work for justice, reconciliation, and peace,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For our community, for the whole land, and all who live in it,
For the fruitfulness of the earth, and for the careful stewardship of our natural resources,

For those who travel,

For the poor, the homeless, the imprisoned,

For the afflicted, the persecuted, the abused, and those who face temptation, anger, or violence,

For the sick and dying, and for the salvation of all,

Lord, hear our prayer.

Be gracious to us, for to you alone are due all glory, honor, and praise.

Amen.

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “Alleluia, Praise the Lord”

Ruth Elaine Schram & Linda Walker

Response “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer

Scripture Lessons

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Luke 24: 13-35

“Abide with me; fast falls the eventide” MBW # 807

*Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.*

*When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.*

*Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away.*

*Change and decay in all around I see.
O Lord who changes not, abide with me.*

*I need your presence every passing hour.
What but your grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?
Who like yourself my guide and strength can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.*

*I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless,
though ills have weight, and tears their bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, your victory?
I triumph still, if you abide with me.*

*Hold now your cross before my closing eyes.
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.*

*Heav'n's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.*

Sermon “Open Eyes and Burning Hearts” Rev. Joe Moore

“Open My Eyes, That I May See” RH # 452

*Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.*

*Silently now I wait for Thee,
ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine!*

*Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth Thou sendest clear;
And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.*

*Silently now I wait for Thee,
ready, my God, Thy will to see,
Open my ears, illumine me,
Spirit divine!*


*Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth ev'rywhere;
Open my heart, and let me prepare*

*love with Thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
ready, my God, Thy will to see,
Open my heart, illumine me,
Spirit divine!*


Benediction

Please be seated and use this time to listen to the Postlude and reflect upon how God is calling you to live, to love, and to serve in the week to come.

Postlude “Fanfare on an Original Theme” Gilert M. Martin



*The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary this morning to the glory
of God and His Son, Jesus Christ,
as we continue to celebrate the glory of the empty tomb.*



OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 19 – Third Sunday of Easter

- 9:30 AM Sunday School Classes
 - 10:30 AM Worship Service – Rev. Joe Moore
- Immediately following the worship service, the Joint Board will meet and then the Board of Elders and Board of Trustees will meet for their monthly meeting.

Tuesday – April 21

- 11:30 AM Seniors & Friends @ Clemmons Kitchen

Wednesday – April 22

- 5:30 PM Meal
- 6:15 PM Bible Study
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Saturday – April 25

- 2:00 PM Memorial Service for Gerald & Frances Walker
@ Forsyth Memorial Park

Sunday, April 26 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 9:30 AM Sunday School Classes
- 10:30 AM Worship Service – Rev. Joe Moore

PEOPLE FOR WHOM WE ARE PRAYING



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****Please contact the church office to add or remove individuals from the prayer list.***



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