

If Christ is not risen, nothing matters. Our preaching is then useless and our faith too. We are false witnesses about God, for we have testified that God raised Christ from the dead. We are still in our sins. Those who have died are as dead as ever. We who have pinned our hopes on Jesus are then the most pitiable of all human beings.

But if Christ is risen, nothing else matters. Though in Adam all may have died, in Christ all will then be made alive. He will destroy every dominion, power, and authority and put every enemy under his feet. Nothing will be able to separate us from the love of Christ— trouble, hardship, persecution, famine, nakedness, peril, sword, angels, demons, the present, the future, nor any powers. Nothing whatsoever, in fact, nothing in all creation, neither height nor depth, nothing either in life or in death. Christ, our Lord, is risen indeed! Therefore, sisters and brothers, stand firm, let nothing move you. Always give yourselves wholly to the Lord's work!

-based on 1 Cor. 15 and Romans 8

Church Calendar

This Week April 17

Door Monitor- Steve Ruit
Sound/Video- Paul Cusack
Projector- Linda Van Lenten, Marissa Baron
Nursery- Alyssa Morin, Tracy Baron, Marissa Baron
KidsChurch- Kathy Faasse, Bev Bentley
Coffee- No coffee

Next Week April 24

Door Monitor- Dave Ruitenbergh
Sound/Video- John Englishmen
Projector- Teddy Villani
Nursery- Dana Miller, Catherine Belanus, Kaitlyn Belanus
KidsChurch- Barb Belanus, Marissa Baron
Coffee- John & Barb Belanus

April

Special Offerings:

April 17- World Relief

April 24- GEMS



KC Vande Streek, Pastor
Rob Flim, Worship Leader

April 17, 2022

PRELUDE

***SONG-** *"COME, PEOPLE OF RISEN KING"*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***GOD'S GREETING**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

***OPENING SONGS-** *"CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY"*
"CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS"

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***STATEMENT OF FAITH**

***SONG OF PREPARATION-** *"ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!*
HEARTS TO HEAVEN"

SCRIPTURE JOHN 20: 1-18

SERMON – "THE EMPTY TOMB"

***SONG OF RESPONSE – "SEE, WHAT A MORNING" Vs 1-4**

***BENEDICTION**

***DOXOLOGY-** *"SEE, WHAT A MORNING" Vs 5,6*

POSTLUDE

**If you are able, please stand.*

TODAY, April 17,
• Is Easter Sunday

NEXT SUNDAY, April 24,
• Is the second Sunday in Easter

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

KidSpace will not meet this week. We will see you again on April 24th!

We have welcomed Paul Cusack to our staff as our Technical Director.

All ladies are invited to attend our Bible study each week on Wednesdays at 9:30 am. Our room can be reached through the outside door to the nursery. We will continue our Comfort series with Chapter 7. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Linda VanLenten at 973-432-3783.

Prayer meetings continue via Zoom at 7pm on Thursday evenings. We begin the meetings by reviewing one or two pages about an aspect of prayer from the book, *Learn to Pray, 66 Bible Prayer Passages Explained and Applied* by Robert M. West. Please join us. For more information, contact Carol Dunning at conawhy@yahoo.com or 973-523-5072.

New Hope Community Ministries is actively seeking to hire an Operations Manager (OM) to oversee Finance, Facilities, Human Resource, and Information Technology for the organization. Financial management will be paramount in this role, with the OM ensuring accurate accounting and faithful stewardship of New Hope's resources. The OM will develop and manage contracts for facility, HR, and IT services as needed, allowing for efficient operations. These areas of focus will be secondary to financial management. This part-time position reports directly to the Executive Director and will supervise the Office Manager. To seek further information and/or apply for this position, email michele@newhopecmnj.org or visit www.newhopecmnj.org/hiring.

Midland Park Senior Crusaders will not meet in the month of April.

New Hope Community Ministries is looking for ESL volunteers to join them one Saturday per month to help converse with people looking to learn English as a second language. They are also looking for childcare and kitchen volunteers. Please contact Kelly in the church office or Liz at liz@newhopecmnj.org for more information.

All the hopes and expectations of Christians are realized in the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, making Easter the most celebrative day of the church year.

The Easter morning service is a time of joy, celebration, and renewal. Even churches that do not customarily follow the church year celebrate this day as the culmination of all that the gospel is about. The liturgical colors are white and gold. In contrast to the somber starkness of Holy Week, on Easter the worship space is bright and celebratory. Music and songs reflect the full joy of the victorious Christian faith because of Christ's resurrection. Because the good news of Easter can hardly be contained in a single day's celebration, Easter is only the first of fifty days of Eastertide, the "Great Fifty Days" that lead up to Pentecost. This season is designed for extended celebration, for exploring the ramifications of Easter for the redemption of all creation, and for joyful Christian living.

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY FAMILY

SICK & SHUT-INS –
Don Brandes, Louise Butler,
Helena Dykstra, Foge Maas,
Muriel Tolsma, Helen Van Olden



4/18 Justin Davis

4/19 John Milkamp

4/20 Doug Kuiken

4/22 Brennen Talsma

4/23 Alan Bandstra