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**LeRoy
Presbyterian Church
Easter Sunday
April 5, 2026 ~ 9:00 am**

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

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The stone has been rolled away.

The one you are looking for has overcome death!

The burial clothes are put aside.

The one you are looking for is alive!

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen Indeed! Hallelujah! Let us worship our Risen Savior!

*Hymn 77 vs 1, 2

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Celebrations, Concerns & Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Diane

Scripture

Colossians 3:1-4, John 20:1-18

A Lesson for the Child of God in All of Us

Children's Time

Special Music *John 3:16*

Carter Throckmorton and Nash Hamilton

Sermon "Why are You Here?"

Pastor Diane

The Eucharist

Offering Invitation & Offering

Receiving One Great Hour of Sharing

*Doxology (inside hymnal front cover)

*Prayer of Dedication

God of new beginnings, you roll away more than stones. You roll away despair and doubt, fear and failure. On this Resurrection morning, we offer our gifts in gratitude for the new life we have found in Christ. Let these offerings be signs of our commitment to live differently – with eyes open, hearts awakened, hands ready to serve. May what we give today help announce to the world that hope is alive, love has triumphed, and joy cannot be contained. Use us and what we offer to keep telling the story: Christ is risen, indeed! Amen.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

*Communion Hymn 394 vs. 1, 2

Near the Cross

Call to Confession: Christ has risen, and we have risen to new life with him. Yet we must confess the ways we have continued to remain in our tombs of sin and death.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Living Lord, when we stand before the empty tomb, we don't always feel the joy of resurrection. We feel fear, doubt, and distrust. We feel empty. Forgive the fear that paralyzes us at the brink of new life. Forgive our doubt of your love. Forgive our distrust of your surprising, joyous plan. Fill our emptiness with your glorious light. Raise us to abundant new life for the glory of your name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Wake up, sleeper! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you. Sisters and brothers, Christ has forgiven our sins. Christ calls us to new life. Christ will lead us into righteousness.

We praise our Risen Lord! Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

Communion of the People

(All who believe in Christ as their Lord and Savior are welcome at the communion table.)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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*Hymn 257 vs. 1, 3

He Lives

*Benediction

Our service is ended. The door to the world is wide open. Go and lift high the hopeful testimony of this glorious day.

Christ has died; Christ has risen; Christ will come again. Amen!

*Passing of the Peace

Jesus said, "My peace I give to you, not as the world gives."

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

**Please stand as you are comfortable*



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John 20:1-18

²⁰ Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ² So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”

³ So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴ Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷ as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus’ head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. ⁸ Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹ (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

¹¹ Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹² and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus’ body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

¹³ They asked her, “Woman, why are you crying?”

“They have taken my Lord away,” she said, “and I don’t know where they have put him.” ¹⁴ At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

¹⁵ He asked her, “Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?”

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.”

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary.”

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means “Teacher”).

¹⁷ Jesus said, “Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’”

¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: “I have seen the Lord!” And she told them that he had said these things to her.

Easter Sunday Services

LeRoy @ 9:00; HCUMC @ 10:30

Receiving Presbyterian One Great Hour of Sharing Offering & DOC Easter Offering

Parish Council – April 15 @ 6:00 pm

Pastor Diane on Vacation

April 6 – 12

Continuing Education Class via Zoom

April 13 – 17

Rev. Paul Smith to preach April 12

2nd Sunday Pot Luck Lunch

April 12 @ HCUMC 11:45

Everyone is Welcome!

Coffee w/ Pastor Diane @ Grass Roots

Wednesday, April 22, 10 – 11 am

NO THURSDAY Bible Study

April 9 or 16, Resumes April 23





Names will remain on the prayer list for two Sundays following the first request.

Concerns

Jeff – heart attack recovery in Senegal, Janell's son

Linda – in Hospice with ALS

Family of Connie Hawley – Peggy Gwinn's sister

Richard – cancer treatments

Dean – health issues, Pam Schreck's brother

Doug – ALS, friend of Ron & Pam Schreck

People affected by flooding in Hawaii

Celebrations

Cassie Moore & Marlin Yoder's wedding

Palm Sunday Parade

Colossians 3:1-4

³ Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.



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Humeston Christian United Methodist Church Easter Sunday April 5, 2026 ~ 10:30 am

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Virginia Watson

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*Hymn 302 vs 1, 2

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Celebrations & Concerns

Pastor Diane

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (#896 in hymnal)

Scripture

Colossians 3:1-4, John 20:1-18

A Lesson for the Child of God in All of Us

Children's Time

Special Music

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

Choir

Sermon

"Why are You Here?"

Pastor Diane

*Communion Hymn 617 vs. 1, 2

I Come with Joy

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table (Everyone present is invited to take part.)

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Bread and Cup (Please hold the cup until all have been served)

Offering Invitation

Offering *Receiving DOC Easter Special Offering*

*Doxology Hymn 95

*Prayer of Dedication

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*Hymn 310 vs. 1, 3

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*Hymn 672 vs 1

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