



**Order of Service 4.7.24**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**  
**Liturgical Color: White**

### **Prelude**

*Flourish on "Gelobt sei Gott" —arr. Wagner*

### **Acolyte**

### **Greetings—**

Kayla Potter Fuller,  
Director of Children/Youth Ministries

### **Welcome/Announcements**

### **Passing of the Peace**

### **Apostle's Creed**

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and 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, dead, and buried; the third day he arose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.*

### **Opening Worship**

*Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)*  
(CCLI#5638022)

### **Verse 1**

One day when heaven was filled with His praises  
One day when sin was as black as could be  
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin  
Dwelt among men my example is He  
The Word became flesh  
And the light shined among us  
His glory revealed

### **Chorus**

Living He loved me dying He saved me  
Buried He carried my sins far away  
Rising He justified freely forever  
One day He's coming  
O glorious day (glorious day)

### **Verse 2**

One day they led Him up Calv'ry's mountain  
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree  
Suffering anguish despised and rejected  
Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He  
The hand that healed nations  
Stretched out on a tree  
And took the nails for me

### **Verse 3**

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer  
One day the stone rolled away from the door  
Then He arose over death He had conquered  
Now is ascended my Lord evermore  
Death could not hold Him  
The grave could not keep Him  
From rising again

### **Bridge**

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming  
One day the skies with His glories will shine  
Wonderful day my beloved one bringing  
My Savior Jesus is mine

### **Ending**

O glorious day glorious day  
O glorious day

*I Saw The Light (CCLI# 2017851)*

### **Verse 1**

I wandered so aimless life filled with sin  
I wouldn't let my dear Savior in  
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night  
Praise the Lord I saw the light

### **Chorus**

I saw the light I saw the light  
No more in darkness no more in night  
(And) now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight  
Praise the Lord I saw the light

### **Verse 2**

Just like a blind man I wandered along  
Worries and fears I claimed for my own  
Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight  
Praise the Lord I saw the light

### **Verse 3**

I was a fool to wander and stray  
Straight is the gate and narrow the way  
Now I have traded the wrong for the right  
Praise the Lord I saw the light

### **Morning Prayer—Pastor Perry Hines**

*The Lord's Prayer UMH 895*

## INVITATION

Christ the Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

## CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

**We have failed to be an obedient church.**

**We have not done your will,  
we have broken your law,  
we have rebelled against your love,  
we have not loved our neighbors,  
and we have not heard the  
cry of the needy.**

**Forgive us, we pray.  
Free us for joyful obedience,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

Hear the good news:  
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that  
proves God's love toward us.  
In the name of Jesus Christ,  
you are forgiven!  
**In the name of Jesus Christ,  
you are forgiven!  
Glory to God. Amen.**

## Special Choir Music

*I've Just Seen Jesus*—Gaither

Soloists: Teresa Williams & Greg Dixon

## Offering

*The Risen Lord*—arr. Butler

## Doxology UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings  
flow, Praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise  
Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia!

## Offertory Prayer

## Sermon Title

*Having Confidence When We Pray*

## Scripture Lesson

**1 John 5:14-17 NKJV**

*14 Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. 15 And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him. 16 If anyone sees his brother sinning a sin which does not lead to death, he will ask, and He will give him life for those who commit sin not leading to death. There is sin leading to death. I do not say that he should pray*

*about that. 17 All unrighteousness is sin, and there is sin not leading to death.*

**John 15:7 NKJV**

*7 If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.*

**Matthew 7:7-11 NKJV**

*7 "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 8 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. 9 Or what man is there among you who, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? 10 Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent? 11 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!*

**James 4:3 NKJV**

*3 You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures.*

**I John 1:7 NKJV**

*7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.*

**I John 1:9-10 NKJV**

*9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.*

## Receiving the Bread and Cup

*Communion Meditation*-arr. Johnson

## Closing Hymn

*He Lives* (UMH # 310)

## Verse 1

I serve a risen Savior,  
he's in the world today;  
I know that he is living,  
whatever foes may say.  
I see his hand of mercy,  
I hear his voice of cheer,  
and just the time I need him,  
he's always near.

## Refrain

He lives, he lives,  
Christ Jesus lives today!  
He walks with me and talks with me  
along life's narrow way.  
He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!  
You ask me how I know he lives?  
He lives within my heart.

**Verse 2**

In all the world around me  
I see his loving care,  
And though my heart grows weary,  
I never will despair.  
I know that he is leading through  
all the stormy blast;  
The day of his appearing  
will come at last.

**Refrain**

**Verse 3**

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian,  
lift up your voice and sing  
Eternal hallelujahs  
to Jesus Christ the King!  
The hope of all who seek him,  
the help of all who find;  
None other is so loving,  
so good and kind.

**Refrain**

**Benediction**

**Chiming of the Holy Trinity**

**Postlude**

*Postlude on "Hallelujah! Thine the Glory" — arr. Lasky*

*\*Response is in bold.*



Come join us on **April 14, 2024** after service as **Chef Bobby Childers** prepares spaghetti for our Fundraiser! All proceeds will go to help our youth attend their summer mission trip to Panama, & funding of any future youth mission projects. **RSVP no later than April 10. Sign up on the clipboard in the narthex or contact the church office at 704-739-2471.** Take out is available.

**KIDS Central News—Volunteers Needed!**

Something that we would love to achieve in our Kids Central classroom is the ability to split our Bible lessons for our older and younger aged Elementary children into two separate lessons in order to uniquely and specifically tailor them to each age group. We believe that this would provide a higher level of Biblical understanding and enrichment to our Kids Central children.

With this being said, this is not something that we can currently offer without an additional volunteer or two who is willing to help teach these weekly lessons to our children. If you think that you would be interested in being a weekly teacher in one of our Kids Central classrooms, please contact Kayla Potter Fuller at central@cmkm.org or 704-739-2471.

**Upcoming Events**

- 4/8/24 Finance Meeting, 6:00 pm
- 4/8/24 Administrative Council, 7:00 pm
- 4/9/24 Building Committee Meeting, 6:00 pm
- 4/15/24 Methodist Men, 6:00 pm

*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Marion G. and Jackie Brooks by the Brooks Family*

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT ATTENDANCE**

(3/31) 10:00a Service.....173

Operating Fund

Contributions 3/31 \$ 7,022.00

Contributions MTD \$31,460.00

**Ushers:** Joe Patterson, David McDaniel

**Greeter:** Krista Sheriff, Paula Goforth



The **Methodist Women** will meet on **Monday, April 22** at 6:30 pm for a recipe swap in the CAC. Please bring your favorite appetizer and a copy of the recipe to share.



Join us for our next **Family Fellowship Night on Wednesday, April 10** at 6:15 pm. The food will be catered by Keith Falls and the program will be a Cake Walk. We are in need of cake donations. Please RSVP to the church office at 704-739-2471 or central@cmkm.org by **April 8** to make sure we have enough for everyone!

**Boy Scout Fundraiser Cards**—Please see Carol Velky or visit the church office if you would like to purchase a discount card. Cost is \$10. Cash or Checks accepted (made out to Troop 92).

The church office will be closed on Friday, April 12, 2024.

**Save the Date!** Join us for our tentative **Graduation & Youth on Sunday, May 26, 2024**, as we honor members of our youth and graduates. Please submit your graduate's information to the church office by 5/20/24 at [central@cmkm.org](mailto:central@cmkm.org) for publication in the June newsletter.

**New Women's Tuesday Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm.** *What Love Is* by Kelly Minter This is a very encouraging in-depth 8-week study on 1, 2, and 3 John. Study guides and books are available for purchase on Amazon and at [www.christianbook.com](http://www.christianbook.com). Teacher: Liz Pflieger. To register or for more information, please call 704-466-1202.

**Please note: The Fellowship Snacks have moved to the CAC**--The Methodist Men will be providing morning refreshments from 8:45-9:45 am for anyone wanting to drop by.

**Help serve at the church:** Live-streaming volunteers are needed for 2 open positions. The goal is to have 4 volunteers to rotate time and serve 2 Sundays on then have time off for 6 Sundays. Please contact Candy in the church office at 704-739-2471 or let Todd Wilson know your interest.

**The Daily Devotionals** pamphlets are available for pick up in the Narthex.

**Altar Flower Dates Now Available** We have the open flower dates. If you would like one of these dates please contact the church office at 704-739-2471 or [central@cmkm.org](mailto:central@cmkm.org) to secure your preferred date. The cost for the flowers is \$100.

**2024 Ushers and Greeters Needed** We are looking for ushers and greeters for Sunday Morning Worship at Central. This is a ministry that can help our church grow, and we need your help. We are currently working on the usher and greeter calendar for the upcoming year, and we are in need of 4 volunteers each month. There are many spots available, so please consider volunteering. You can contact Joe Patterson or the church office at 704-739-2471 or [central@cmkm.org](mailto:central@cmkm.org) to let us know you are willing to serve. Thank you for your interest!

**KIDS Central & Nursery News** Our **Nursery** is available starting at 9:00 am for ages 0-4 years old. We are in need of volunteers in the nursery to help support this ministry. Please see or contact Kayla Potter Fuller at [kayla@cmkm.org](mailto:kayla@cmkm.org) or 704-739-2471. **KID Central** is our church's church for K-5th and **check in is now at 9:00am** on Sundays. If you have any questions, please contact our Youth and Children's Ministries Director, Kayla Potter Fuller at [kayla@cmkm.org](mailto:kayla@cmkm.org).

**Central Youth** meets on Sunday evenings from 5:30-7:30pm. If you have any questions or would like to join/volunteer for youth events, please contact Kayla Potter Fuller at [kayla@cmkm.org](mailto:kayla@cmkm.org) or 704-739-2471.

You can reach **Pastor Perry Hines** at 828-768-5996.

### Prayer List: Praises and Concerns

*Praises and concerns will stay on this list for one month unless otherwise requested.*

**Members in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living and Homebound:** Jane Edwards; Barbara Bridges; John Eagle; Marilyn Hamrick.

**Military Personnel:** SSGT Tyler Dixon-Marines; SFC Jonathan Brucker-Army; SSgt. Joshua Brucker; Army; CAPT Alex Plonk-Air Force; S 1 Tyler Hellstrand-Navy; SSG Colby Bailey—Army; CAPT Wendell Bunch, Jr.—Army; CAPT Alex Young,—Air Force.

**Praises:** Growth in our membership, children's church and programs.

**Concerns: (members/constituents/church-related concerns):** Guidance in developing new ministries; our college students; Community Kitchen Ministry; Carol Brazzell (healing) 12.26.23.

**Concerns: (friends/relatives/other concerns):** All children in need; Samuel Smith (cancer) 9.30.19; Patsy Lunsford (healing); Jeff Hedden, (cancer) cousin of Clyde Kerns 12.22.23; Eric Dixon (healing), cousin of Jeff, Mark & Greg Dixon 1.24.24; Wayne Carlisle, Mike Norwood's cousin (hospital—ICU) 2.5.24; John Morrison (healing), bother of Cecelia Meade 2.10.24; Eliana Rogers (death of mother, Kathy Rogers) 3.6.24; Jamie Kever, cousin of Audrey Brooks 3.12.24; Charlene Maxey (death) 3.8.24; Infant Baby Hazel (laryngomalacia) 3.11.24; Allen Ware, follow on [caringbridge.com/allenware](http://caringbridge.com/allenware), son of MaryLou Ware 3.18.24; Kimberly (surgery) friend of Betty Masters 3.14.24; Deborah, friend of Betty Masters (surgery) 3.14.24; Sharon Zolciak (brain tumor) 3.28.24; Ann Gaddy Johnston (Penny Norwood's aunt) 4.2.24.



## Welcome Visitors!

Scan to get connected to Central, inquire about membership and for prayer requests.