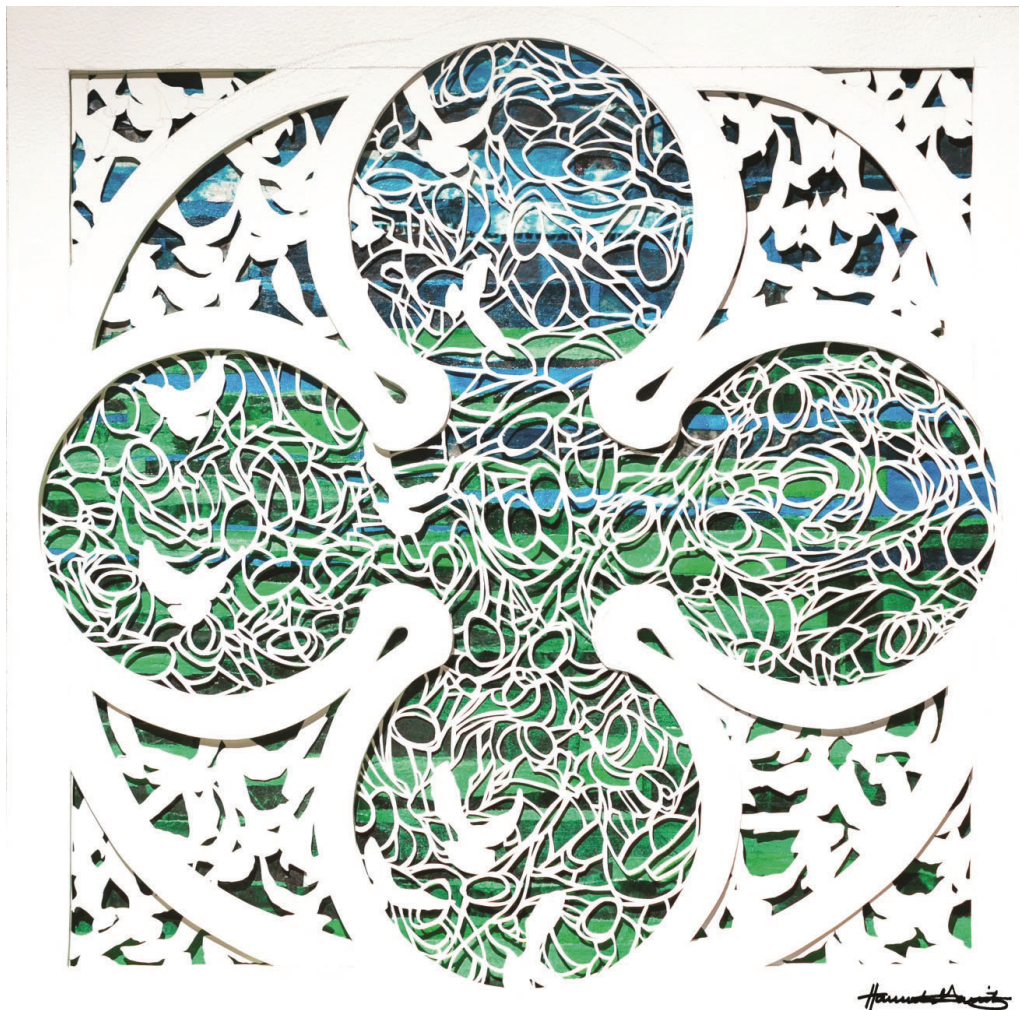


# Sixth Presbyterian Church

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
Sunday, April 5, 2026



*Meet Me in Galilee* by Hannah Garrity

Inspired by Matthew 28:1-10

*18x18" Hand-dyed and collaged newspaper with paper lace overlay*

**We gather as God's people for worship and to share the gifts, strengths, and talents of all who are here while respecting the beliefs, opinions and struggles of others as we strive to love one another as God loves us.**

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# 232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,  
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 But the pains which he en - dured,  
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove,

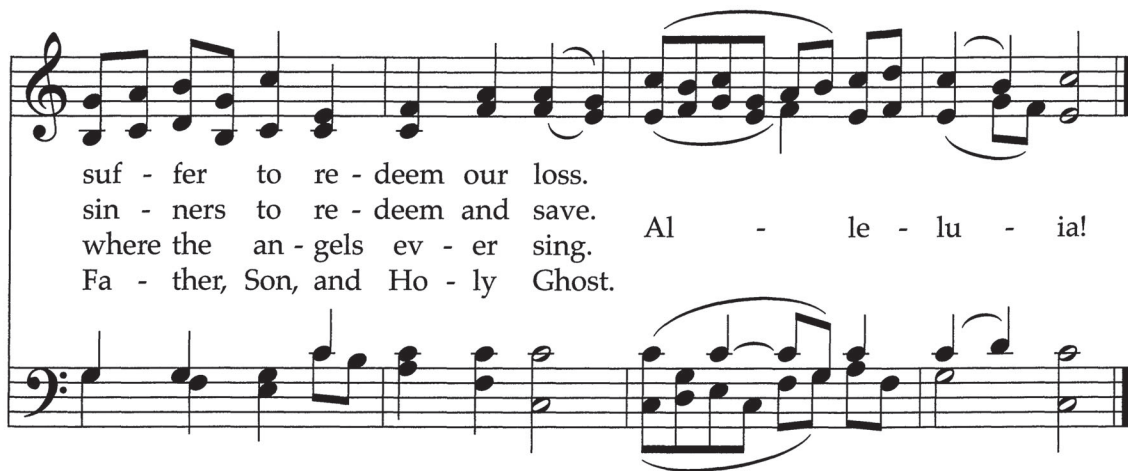
our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,  
 un - to Christ, our heav - en - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured.  
 praise e - ter - nal as God's love.

who did once up - on the cross,  
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Now a - bove the sky he's King,  
 Praise our God, ye heav - en - ly host,

It seems likely that this beloved Easter text began in Latin and moved through German before reaching English, where it combined with the present tune in the emerging English evangelical style, a reaction to the restrained one-note-per-syllable psalmody that preceded it.

TEXT: Stanzas 1-3, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; stanza 4, Charles Wesley, 1740  
 Spanish trans. Juan Bautista Cabrera, alt.; Korean trans. The Christian Literature Society of Korea  
 MUSIC: *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; adapt. from *The Compleat Psalmist*, 1749  
 Korean Trans. © The Christian Literature Society of Korea

EASTER HYMN  
 7.7.7.7 with alleluias



suf - fer to re - deem our loss.  
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 where the an - gels ev - er sing.  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

SPANISH

- 1 *El Señor resucitó, ¡Aleluya!  
 muerte y tumba ya venció. ¡Aleluya!  
 Con su fuerza y su virtud ¡Aleluya!  
 cautivó la esclavitud. ¡Aleluya!*
- 2 *El que al polvo se humilló, ¡Aleluya!  
 vencedor se levantó. ¡Aleluya!  
 Cante hoy la cristiandad ¡Aleluya!  
 su gloriosa majestad. ¡Aleluya!*
- 3 *Cristo, que la cruz sufrió, ¡Aleluya!  
 y en desolación se vio, ¡Aleluya!  
 hoy en gloria celestial ¡Aleluya!  
 reina vivo e inmortal. ¡Aleluya!*
- 4 *Cristo, nuestro Salvador, ¡Aleluya!  
 de la muerte es triunfador. ¡Aleluya!  
 En El hemos de confiar. ¡Aleluya!  
 Cantaremos sin cesar. ¡Aleluya!*

KOREAN

- 1 예수부활 했으니 할렐루야  
 만민찬송 하여라  
 천사들이 즐거워  
 기뻐찬송 부르네
- 2 대속하신 주 예수 할렐루야  
 선한싸움 이겼네  
 사망권세 이기고  
 하늘문을 여셨네
- 3 마귀권세 이긴주 할렐루야  
 왕의왕이 되셨네  
 높은이름 세상에  
 널리반포 하여라
- 4 길과진리 되신주 할렐루야  
 우리부활 하겠네  
 부활생명 되시니  
 우리부활 하겠네

## Call to Confession

Friends, on Easter Sunday we remember that the world did its worst to God. The world battered and bruised, betrayed and abandoned, crucified and buried our living God. And despite it all, Jesus still chose to return. Jesus rose again and immediately went to work spreading God's love to the very people who had hurt him. So hear me when I say, there is nothing you can do that could keep God's love at bay. With that good news mind, let us go to God in prayer, trusting that Jesus Christ loves, claims, and seeks us.

## Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we want to be Easter people. We want to shout your good news from the rooftop. We want to follow the disciples, who ran to look for you. We want to follow the angels, who said, "Be not afraid," but we are afraid. And we don't know where to look. And we are worried we'll say the wrong thing. So forgive us, for we are imperfect Easter people. We are best intentions and best laid plans. We are an out-of-tune chorus of "alleluias." We are on our way, but we are not there yet. Show us how to embody your good news in this world. Show us how to be your Easter people. With hope for tomorrow, we pray, amen.

## Silent Confession

### *Kyrie, Lord Have Mercy*

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The image shows two staves of musical notation in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff contains the lyrics "Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy." with a fermata over the first "Lord," and a comma after "Lord," in the second phrase. The second staff contains the lyrics "Lord, have mer - cy." with a fermata over "Lord," and a long horizontal line under "mer - cy." indicating a sustained note.

## Assurance of Pardon

Family of faith, even when we are an out-of-tune chorus of "alleluias," we belong to God. Jesus died and rose for you. And there is nothing that could keep God's love at bay. So join me in this good news declaration:

**Through Jesus Christ we are seen, saved, loved, and claimed. This is the good news of the gospel! Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the  
 Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -  
 gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,  
 world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

## \*Exchange of Peace

Remembering that some of our church family is watching the livestream, let us first turn to the cameras and say, "Peace be with you!" (*Turn and offer the peace.*) Being mindful of the comfort levels and boundaries of those around us, let us pass the peace of Jesus Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

## Prayer for Illumination

Holy One, all over the world, people are gathering to hear the same story.

All over the world, people are gathering to hear how death lost its sting.

All over the world, people are gathering together, praying for a glimpse of you.

So like our neighbors all over the world, we pray, be here. **Speak to us today.**

Soften the calloused parts of our hearts until we can sense your Holy Spirit in our midst once more. **With eagerness and hope, we run to the tomb. We sing alleluia. We bow our heads.**

**We listen for you. Amen.**

## First Scripture Reading

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24, p. 694

## \*Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:1-10, p. 41

## Response to the Scripture Readings

For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us,  
 for the Word of God within us, **thanks be to God.**

## \*Hymn

“The Day of Resurrection!”

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## \*Affirmation of Faith

I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ. It sounds like welcome and feels like home. It sounds like laughter and feels like mercy. It sounds like love and feels like a seat at the table, so I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ. I have seen it alive in the world. And even when my heart aches, even when wars rage, even when mercy feels out of reach, I remember the one who welcomed the children and led with nonviolence. I remember the one who cared for the vulnerable and inspired those around him. I remember that the good news really is good news, for I have seen it alive in the world. Thanks be to God! Amen.

## Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

## The Invitation to the Table

## The Great Thanksgiving:

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with all the faithful in every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the



pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the



full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

# 233 The Day of Resurrection!

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,  
 2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right  
 3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful; let earth its song be - gin;

the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.  
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,  
 the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,  
 and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,  
 Let all things seen and un - seen their notes of glad - ness blend,

our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.  
 his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.  
 for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end.

The roots of this English text come from a mid-8th century Greek hymn that continues to be used in Orthodox churches at the midnight Eucharist marking the beginning of Easter. The tune is named for the county in northwestern England where the composer was then an organist.

One: . . . Great is the mystery of faith:



Christ has died; Christ is ris-en; Christ will come a - gain.



Christ has died; Christ is ris-en; Christ will come a - gain.

## Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

### The Communion of the People

Communion Anthem "The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done"

Mikolaj Gomolka

### Prayer After Communion

### Offertory Sentence

1 Corinthians 8:4-6

There is only one Lord and God, from whom all things come and for whom we live. Let us offer our lives to the Lord. *Please consider giving to One Great Hour of Sharing; checks can be written out to Sixth Presbyterian Church with One Great Hour of Sharing in the memo. OGHS Envelopes are also available in the back of the church.*

### Offertory Anthem

"Joy is Come"

Andrew Carter

Joy is come! Eastertide! Sing we all far and wide, see the stone rolled aside,  
Christ our Lord is risen, bursting from his prison. Let the sound ring around,  
And the song now rebound: Christ the Lord is risen!  
Joy is come! Easter Day! Join the dance, homage pay, Christ the Lord lights our way,  
From the tomb now breaking, Satan's power shaking. Let the song echo long,  
Shout it loud, sing it strong: Christ the Lord is risen!  
Joy is come! Easter morn! With your Lord greet the dawn, he endured crown of thorn  
And the bitter nailing, faithful and unfailing. Tidings tell, chant it well,  
Risen Christ in us dwell, o'er the cross prevailing.  
Easter joy may we bring, welcome Lord, heaven's King, winter turns into spring,  
Darkness overtaking, and our spirits waking. Praises flow, voices grow,  
Sounding far, 'Gloria in excelsis Deo!'

### \*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known, Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn

“This Joyful Eastertide!”

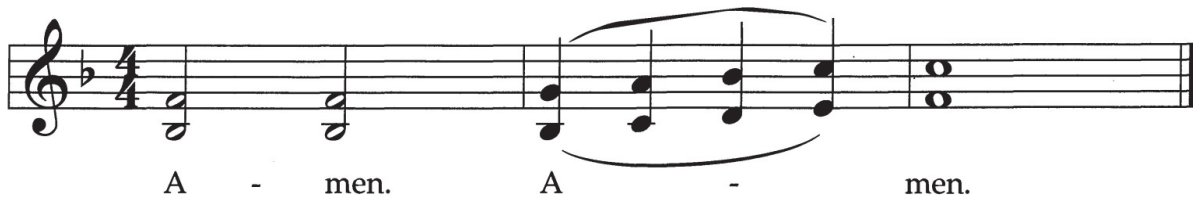
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\*Benediction *All are welcome to join in singing:*

May the peace of our Lord Christ go with you wherever he may send you. May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm. May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you. May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

\*Amen

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Postlude

“Menuet Gothique”  
from Suite Gothique, Op. 25

Léon Boëllmann

*Feel free to sit and enjoy the Postlude or quietly leave as you wish.*

*\*Those who can may stand*

## Church Announcements

### Today’s Service:

Jenny Newman (liturgist); Kirk Howe (livestreaming); Sara Berg, Mary Lang, Patty Halverson (ushers) – and a special thank you to our guest brass musicians: Catherine Samuels, Barbara Folb and Ethan Eades!

Liturgy: Prayer by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | [sanctifiedart.org](http://sanctifiedart.org)

### Annual Deviled Egg Taste-Off Today

*We welcome all to fellowship in the chapel after today’s service.  
Join us for refreshments and the highly anticipated Annual Deviled Egg  
Taste-Off!*

# 244 This Joyful Eastertide

1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and  
 2 My flesh in hope shall rest and for a sea - son  
 3 Death's flood has lost its chill since Je - sus crossed the

sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has  
 slum - ber till trump from east to west shall  
 riv - er. Lov - er of souls, from ill my

*Refrain*

sprung to life this mor - row.  
 wake the dead in num - ber. Had Christ, who once was  
 pass - ing soul de - liv - er.

The verbal and musical elements of this hymn mesh so well because the words were written to fit this Dutch tune (whose name means "fruits"). The news of Christ's resurrection is joyfully conveyed by the ever-higher phrases and final cascade of notes at the end of the refrain.

slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our faith had been in

vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -

ris - en, a - ris - en.

## Connect More

Are you currently listed as a “friend of Sixth?” Or maybe you didn’t even know we have a directory of members and regular attendees (“friends”)? Join us around the dinner table for a four-week gathering where we will explore:

- The history and heart of Sixth Church
- What it means to be Presbyterian
- Next steps for membership and leadership.

**Mondays, April 20 - May 11: 6-8:30 PM. Email Pastor Charissa or scan the QR code for details/to RSVP.**



## Peace and Justice Working Group 4/12

Peace and Justice meeting in the parlor after worship next week. All are welcome to join/attend. Questions? Please email Sara Berg at [6thpeaceandjustice@gmail.com](mailto:6thpeaceandjustice@gmail.com).

## Sixth Church Earth Care Team - Food Justice



On Monday, April 13, we’ll begin our Wild Indigo Food Justice Project. We’ll start with weekly Foundation Meetings, “*Eight Themes for Exploration and Discovery*”. **The first meeting will be held on April 13** at 7:30 in the Chapel. The remaining 7 meetings will be held on Tuesday evenings until June 2. Then we’ll head outdoors to plant the crops we hope to distribute at the end of the summer. Does this sound ambitious? We hope so.

More information can be found in our April newsletter or on the poster in the chapel!

## Young Adult Gathering- Monday, April 13th at 7pm

Sixth Church friends beyond high school-30ish are invited to meet together for fellowship and conversation. Invite a friend and let’s connect! It’s arts and crafts night! Bring something you are working on- but also craft options will be provided! Contact the church at [officesixthchurch@gmail.com](mailto:officesixthchurch@gmail.com) for more information and meeting location.

## Adult Education Workshop in Schenley Park, 4/24

Through contemplative/mystical Christianity, Zen Buddhism, and depth-oriented psychology, this experiential workshop will explore the spiritual and psychological dimensions of our interrelationship with the other-than-human natural world. The spirit of the workshop will be one of warmth, wonder, open inquiry, mutual collaboration, and fun! For more information and registration, follow this QR or go to [www.sixthchurch.org](http://www.sixthchurch.org). →



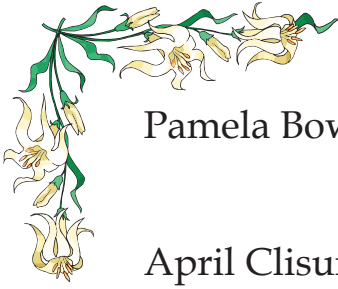
# Easter Memorials

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Pamela Bower ..... *in memory of*  
Jeanne and Walter Bunje

April Clisura ..... *in memory of*  
Virginia C. Totaro; Theresa J. Clisura

Kate Davoli ..... *in memory of*  
Nancy C. Knight

The Delucia Family ..... *in memory of*  
Charlotte Bower; Harlow Bower; Gene Allport;  
Joyce Bower; Julie Logue

Raymond Dittner ..... *in honor of*  
Family Xin; Family Dittner

Patty Halverson ..... *in memory of*  
Eric, Art and Nate

Charles M. Herrold, Jr. .... *in memory of*  
Charles M. Herrold; Caroline M. Herrold; John M. Herrold

Rev. L Rae Hodge ..... *in memory of*  
Raymond and Ruth Hodge

Brenda Jordan ..... *in memory of*  
Roy and Florence Jordan

Eliot Kennedy ..... *in memory of*  
Mary Peirson Kennedy; Thomas Joseph Kennedy;  
Allen Whipple Clark

Carol Ladebue ..... *in memory of*  
Sandra Rosenfeld

Joan Markert ..... *in memory of*  
Dorothy and Frank Markert; Gene Kail



Linda May..... *in honor of*  
 Jenny Newman

Jan Myers-Newbury..... *in memory of*  
 Sam Newbury

Barbara Parees..... *in memory of*  
 Loved Ones

Diana and Gardner Patton..... *in memory of*  
 Meta and August Wilkoc; Ron Wilkoc;  
 Constance and Miner Patton

Alexandar & Bill; Icheb & Debbie (*Debbie Phillips*)..... *in memory of*  
 Wm. Schuler Kircher

Alexander & Icheb; Debbie & Bill (*Debbie Phillips*)..... *in honor of*  
 Loretta Coronado

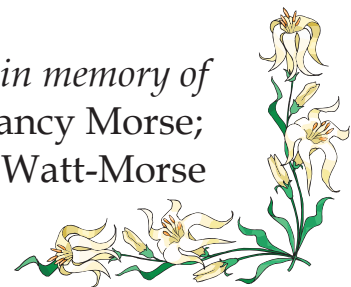
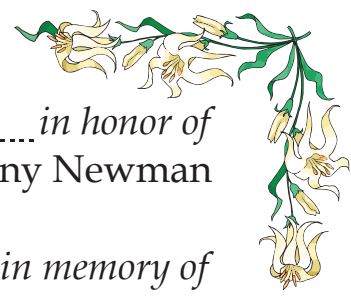
Icheb (*Debbie Phillips*)..... *in honor of*  
 Nora and Cliff Johnson; Kathi Robinson-Dassel

Kathi Robinson-Dassel..... *in memory of*  
 Elizabeth Morrow; Harold and Mildred Robinson;  
 Edward and Anne Dassel

Phyllis Rupert and Ruthie Mulkerrins..... *in memory of*  
 David, Claire and Earl Rupert; Ann and Partick Mee;  
 Neighbors, friends and San José; Caregivers and Hope Grows;  
 Sixth Church and it's leaders

Lori Swensson..... *in memory of*  
 Richard Gavin Swensson; Elsie Lyons

Peter and Peg Watt-Morse..... *in memory of*  
 Aldora and Charles Watt; David and Nancy Morse;  
 Anna Grace Watt-Morse



## Upcoming Meetings and Events in (and around) the Church:

### Sunday, April 5 (after worship)

Fellowship/Deviled Egg Taste-Off (12:15pm, Chapel)

NA- Keep Coming Back Men's Mtg (8-9pm)

### Monday, April 6

Third Act (Chapel, 12-2pm)

### Tuesday, April 7

Staff Meeting (10-11am, Office)

### Wednesday, April 8

Bible Study (10:30-11:30am, Zoom)

Third Act (Chapel, 4-7pm)

Deacons Meeting (7-8:30pm, Zoom)

### Thursday, April 9

Youth Group at ELPC (4:30, 7pm)

Choir Rehearsal (7:30-8:30, Chapel)

### Friday, April 10

Personnel Meeting (9:30-10:30am, Parlor)

Tri Lam (2-5pm, Parlor)

### Saturday, April 11

Recital (1-5pm, Sanctuary & Chapel)

AA-Turning Point (5-6pm)

NA-Squirrel Hill Group (7:30-8:30pm)

### Sunday, April 12

Sunday School (10am)

Choir Rehearsal (10am, Sanctuary)

Worship (11am-12pm, in-person & streaming)

Coffee Hour (12pm, Chapel)

Peace and Justice Meeting (12pm-1:45, Parlor)

Gun Safety Committee (12p-1m, Sanctuary)

MCC Start Date (1:50pm-3:30pm, Parlor)

Fiberarts Guild (2-5pm, Chapel)

NA- Keep Coming Back Men's Mtg (8-9pm)

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