PRAYER CONCERNS: Those needing continued prayer: Brenna Canning; Becky Duke; Elissa Hoyt; Sarah Klúg; Bernie and Mary Louise Mahoney; Ruth and Nelson Smith; Mildred Strickland

<u>RECENT ADDITIONS</u>: Joe Bean; Marcie Clifton; Clara Henshaw; Melissa Howard; Gracie Leahy; Nora Jane Leake; Margaret Lumsden; the Morris family; Linda Parker; Maria Pierce; David Purcell; Pat Purcell; Howard Scheurenbrand; Dot Seay; Frank Southall; Charlie Strickland; Tracy Tacinelli; Missy Vlasis; James Walker, Sr.; all those who are sick at home or in the hospital with COVID

Please add to this list or update by contacting Pastor Klüg.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Our Regional Easter Offering will be taken today. An envelope is placed in your bulletin. Thank you!

Church Board meeting on Tuesday, April 13th, 7:30 pm. You can either attend in person or by Zoom. Board members are encouraged to attend.

<u>VISITORS</u>, please sign in by placing your pertinent information (i.e. visitor card) in the offering plate as you exit or text your visit to 540-848-6441 with your name and preferred way of contact. We would like to thank you for visiting us today.

<u>Communion Announcement</u> - The bread and cup are available as you exit. Please join us for communion outside around our memorial garden. We meet there immediately following the morning worship service. If inclement weather, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall, social distancing and masks required.

<u>Please select a Sunday that would be convenient to provide flowers for the worship service.</u> If you have questions, contact Sharon Duke at 434-981-3115 or email louisalandlady@gmail.com.

<u>NEED PRAYER?</u> After the outdoor Communion experience, if you would like prayer, please meet below the center Sanctuary window (outside).

There is a box in the Fellowship Hall if you would like to donate to the Community Cupboard.

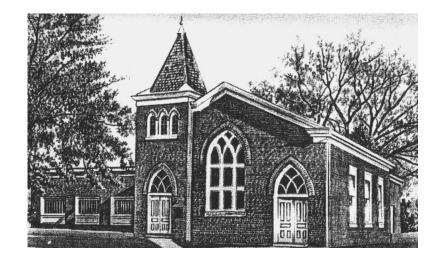
If you would like to receive a copy of the Disciple, our monthly newsletter, please contact Sheryl <u>Eubank</u> - <u>eubank@saseyart.com</u>

<u>*Midweek Bible Boost.*</u> Join us Wednesdays in March from 7:30 pm - 8:00 pm on Facebook Live. Just go to Louisa Christian Church's public page.

<u>New Men's Group</u> - There is some interest in a "men of faith" group (i.e., fishing, hiking, fellowship . . .). Please contact Pastor Klüg if you are interested.

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Welcoming All Sharing Christ Preparing Disciples



OUR INVITATION To all who are weary and need rest, To all who mourn and want comfort, To all who are friendless and want friendships, To all who pray or do not, but should, To all who doubt and are seeking light, To all who sin and need a savior, This church in Jesus' name says – "ALL ALWAYS WELCOME"

OFFICERS Chair - Greg Strickland • Vice Chair - Sheryl Eubank Secretary - Sharon Duke • Treasurer - Ava Pippin Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. • Worship - 11:00 a.m.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 4, 2021 Easter Sunday Enter in the Spirit of Joy and Fellowship; Depart Empowered to Serve!

Preparing for Worship

PRELUDE

"Dancing On the Waves" by We the Kingdom Katherine Nies

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Worship Service

* CALL TO WORSHIP:

- L: Christ crucified, the power of God for salvation to anyone who believes.
- *P:* Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!
- L: O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?
- *P:* If you are seeking Jesus, He is not here; Come near and see the place where He was laid.
- L: The Lord has become our righteousness; The gates of salvation are open to us. The resurrection has the final word.
- P: Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! (Resources: Chuck Fischer; 1 Corinthians 15:55

* HYMN OF PRAISE

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Matthew Bridges, 1951 and Godfrey Thring, 1874

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its' own. Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee, and hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love; behold His hands and side; these wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified. All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me; thy praise and glory shall not fail through-out eternity.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY and LORD'S PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, we stand at the empty tomb, but we stay outside. We hear the angel speak, but our hearts don't take it in. The love of Christ drives us, but we live duty driven. The resurrection life beckons, but we won't leave the steps of pride. Overcome our lack with Christ's resurrection power. Our Father . . .

(Resource Chuck Fischer, Alexander Maclaren)

*GLORIA PATRI #35 (Please face the cross while standing.)

SPECIAL MUSIC "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" Charles Wesley

Katherine Nies

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SERMON: The Easter Way - Pastor Vincent Klüg SCRIPTURE:

SPECIAL MUSIC "What a Beautiful Name" Dana Klúg, Soloist *by Hillsong*

RESPONDING IN FAITH

* HYMN OF INVITATION:

"He Lives" - Alfred H. Ackley, 1933

I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today; I know that He is living, whatever others say. I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer, and just the time I need Him, He's always near. 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.

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. 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.

* BENEDICTION * CHORAL AMEN *POSTLUDE

"Because He Lives" *Bill and Gloria Gaither* Katherine Nies

* Congregation stands (those who are able)

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(2) Maureen and Doug Dodge In celebration of their children and grandchildren

(2) Melonie Donovan In memory of her parents

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(2) Sharon and Butch Duke In memory of our grandmothers: Lillian Wittenberger, Elizabeth Johnson, Latine Francisco, Vivian Duke and Sharon's mother Joy Johnson

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(1)Vincent and Dana Klug In honor of their grandchildren

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