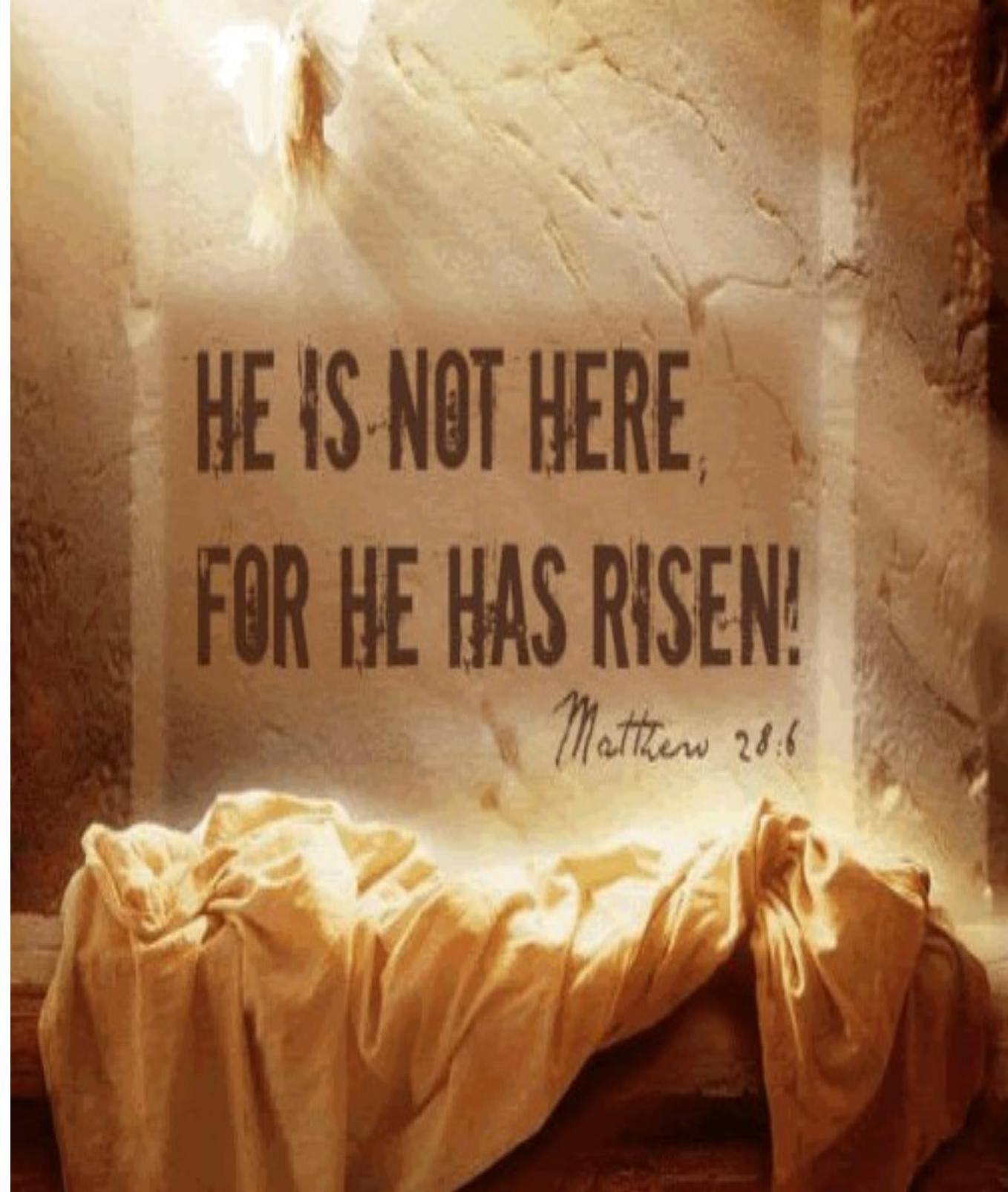


<b>Sunday, April 21st Easter</b>	<b>6 am</b>	<b>Lion's Park</b>	<b>Sunrise Easter Service</b>
	<b>8:45 am</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>Sr. Choir</b>
	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>Easter Service</b>
	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Fellowship Hall</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>
<b>Tuesday, April 23rd</b>	<b>7 pm</b>	<b>Lounge</b>	<b>H &amp; A</b>
<b>Wednesday, April 24th</b>	<b>7 pm</b>	<b>Music Room</b>	<b>Bells</b>
<b>Thursday, April 25th</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>Sr. Choir Practice</b>
<b>Friday, April 26th</b>	<b>2:30 pm</b>	<b>Lounge</b>	<b>Archives</b>
<b>Sunday, April 28th 2nd Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>8:45 am</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>Sr. Choir</b>
	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Fellowship Hall</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>
		<b>Music Room</b>	<b>Youth Choir</b>

### **Mission Statement**

*Our mission is to be a family of people seeking to be of help to each other and to our world through the encouragement of God's Spirit and the sharing of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.*

*To that end, we offer opportunities for worship, friendship, personal growth and service.*



As we gather together in worship, may you be reminded that you are loved and cared for by God, called to spread that love to the world. May God quiet your heart so that you may hear God's voice and sense the power of God's presence.

If you are a visitor to our worship service today, we welcome you. Please help us to get to know you by meeting the greeter at the rear of the sanctuary to receive a visitor's bag of information about our church.

## **Niskayuna Reformed Church**

### **Easter Sunday**

#### **THE APPROACH TO GOD**

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Announcements

Prelude *Agnus Dei, from Requiem* Rutter  
*The NRC Senior Choir*

Votum

Our help is the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth. **Amen.**

Call to Worship

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**God has given us new life and hope by raising Jesus from the dead.**

God has claimed us as his own.

**God has brought us out of darkness. and has made us light to the world.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

event to combat hunger in our community or make a donation to further the cause. Additionally, there will be a "Fill the Food Van" canned or boxed food drive to provide needed supplies to the SICM food pantry. These items can be collected in Fellowship Hall and delivered by our walkers. FYI-The Food Pantry's total meal distribution in March 2019 was 60,885 meals, a significant increase over March 2018's distribution of 26,955 meals. Food insecurity continues to grow and more families need help.

- The First Reformed Church of Schenectady is collecting used pill bottles as part of the Matthew 25: Ministries program. There is a flyer and box for donations by the Mission bulletin board in the Education Building. Bottles drop off deadline is **May 19th**.
- Save the date: SICM summer lunch dates are **July 29-August 2**. More info to follow.
- Pastor Jason will be out of the office Thursday, April 25th and returning to the office on Thursday, May 2nd. He will be out for vacation and professional development. We will have Lou Smith as our Guest Preacher. If you are in need of pastoral care, please call the church office.
- Please remember to turn off cell phones or put on airplane mode, if cell phones remain on, they interfere with the sound system.
- **Questions**, please contact the church office at 518-785-5575 or email Pastor Jason at [sr.pastor@niskayunareformed.org](mailto:sr.pastor@niskayunareformed.org) or our administrator, Ellen Gauna, at [office@niskayunareformed.org](mailto:office@niskayunareformed.org).

## TODAY

- Parents with infants and small children are reminded of the room behind the balcony with an audio system to hear the worship service. There is infant and toddler care in Room 102 of the Education Building.
- The Worship teams for **TODAY** are; Ushers: Richard Mizenko, Bill McCann, Karen Moak & Jenny Politano; Counters: Alan Holmes, Sharon Rice-Herbst & Suzi O'Brien; Greeter(s): Dug & Sharon Jackson; Coffee Hour: Barbara Sim, Jennifer Sim and Jackie Maclutsky.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

- Birthday wishes go out to: **Caroline Drapeau.**

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Worship teams for April 28th are; Ushers: John & Lynn DelSignore and Harry & Cindy Kuchera; Counters: Jeff Rivenburg & Sue Felpel; Greeter(s): Harry & Cindy Kuchera; Coffee Hour: John & Lynn DelSignore and Mary Ivey & Charles Del Signore.
- **NEED ... a Friend, a Ride, a Meal, a Prayer? Did you know ....** The Congregational Care Committee is available to help the NRC family when support is needed. Call the church office and Ellen will be happy to try to assist you.
- **ONE USHER NEEDED:** Barb Sim, the coordinator of the ushers' schedule, needs your help. The ushers rotation is every eight weeks. If you can help, please contact Barb at thumpersgram@verizon.net or **518-878-5631.**
- The Spring Clean-Up is scheduled for **Saturday, May 4th** at 9 am. Bring a rake and work gloves! Donuts & t-shirt for all participants. Questions, contact Ron Ricard at 518-488-1681.
- Three volunteers needed for our next Schenectady City Mission dinner date on **Monday, May 6th** at the City Mission Dining Center at 512 Smith St. from 4:45-6:30PM. Please contact Michele Kopp at 518-424-3825 if you are able to help out.
- Save the date- SICM annual Crop Walk is on **Sunday, May 5** at the Emmanuel Friedens Church. Consider joining our youth group in this

\*Hymn

*Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

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\*Salutation and People's Amen

May grace and peace be yours in abundance in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Lord, bring new life where we are worn and tired; new love where we have turned hard-hearted; forgiveness where we feel hurt and where we have wounded; and the joy and freedom of your Holy Spirit where we are prisoners of ourselves. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Kyrie Eleison

**Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Words of Assurance

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, we are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.**

Call to New Life

As Christ burst forth from the tomb, may new life burst forth from us and show itself in acts of love and healing to a hurting world. And may that same Christ, who lives forever and is the source of our new life, keep your hearts rejoicing and grant you peace. **May the Spirit of God help us to live this new life. Amen!**

\*Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Offertory

*Worthy is the Lamb*  
*The NRC Senior Choir*

*Pote*

