



BETHANY UNITED METHODIST
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10:30 AM

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

April 5, 2015

CALL TO WORSHIP

“He Arose”

Bob Lemon

*EASTER LITANY

Pastor: Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; the Lord has risen!

People: *He has risen indeed!*

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Pastor: Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? Death has been swallowed up in victory!

People: *Christ has risen indeed!*

Pastor: Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.”

People: *Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Pastor: The Lord has risen!

People: *He has risen indeed! Alleluia!*

*PRAISE HYMN

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

563

*INVOCATION

Pastor Lynch

*CHORUS

“He Is Lord”

71

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

Bob Lemon

MORNING PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Pastor Lynch

Congregation

THE OFFERTORY
 Presentation of God's Tithe
 *The Doxology
 *Dedication Prayer
 Helen Lutz

ANTHEM "Because He Lives Medley" Easter Choir

SCRIPTURE Matthew 28:1-10 page 33

MESSAGE "Crucified Jesus Reported to be Alive!" Pastor Lynch

*COMMITMENT HYMN "He Lives" # 285

*BENEDICTION Pastor Lynch

*POSTLUDE Helen Lutz

**We stand to honor Jesus Christ*

Good morning and happy Easter! Welcome to Bethany where God's word is honored, taught and proclaimed. Our mission is to glorify God by making-maturing-mobilizing enthusiastic disciples for Jesus Christ. Please sign the blue attendance pad and pass it along.

Infant care and a toddler class are held downstairs during worship and Sunday School.

Units for the hearing-impaired are available. Please speak with an usher for assistance.

CD's of today's service are available for \$2.00. Please contact Karen in the church office. You can also listen to the service through the church's web site bethanyumcpalmyra.org.

Our extended Sunday School for children is called Kid Zone. Those up to sixth grade are welcome to go downstairs to Kid Zone or remain in the sanctuary for worship.

Serving today: **Sound System:** Don Brubaker, **Acolyte:** Drew Chapin, **Ushers:** Tom Gussler, Barry Smith, Dave Finney and Richard Funck, **Organist:** Helen Lutz.

Prayer request cards are in the pew rack. Please place them in the offering plate knowing that Pastor Lynch and the Bethany prayer chain will pray over your joys and concerns. If you would like to activate the Bethany prayer chain please call Vicki Smith at 838-5665.

Prayer joys/concerns: 1) Healing mercies for Evelyn Powell, Lew Brough, Sue Lasher, Wendy Kling, Matt and Kat Hayes, Janine Wimmer. 2) Our servicemen and their families.

Our homebound person of the week is Betty Schaffner at Twin Oaks, Campbelltown. Please pray for Betty and sign the card in the rear of the sanctuary.

This Saturday a Community Blood Drive will be held from 8-11 at the Evangelical Congregational Church on Main Street.

Next Sunday is Caring Cupboard Sunday. Please help fill the red wagon with canned goods and personal care paper products to bless our needful neighbors through the ministry of the Caring Cupboard.

April sub and pretzel sandwich orders can be made at the information table. Orders are due by Wednesday April 22.

Our Loyal Workers are celebrating Spring on Saturday May 2. From 8-1 there will be crafts, bake sale, and lunch will be served. Donated baked items will be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off on Friday May 1 in the social hall from 6-8 pm. Proceeds benefit Bethany Church.

April Newsletters may be read online at bethanyumcpalmyra.org and printed copies are available at the information table.

Many thanks to Barb Brubaker for decorating our church, inside and out, for Lent, Easter, and all year long.

Palm Sunday Attendance: 89

Last Year's Attendance: 81

Giving Last Sunday: \$2,226.27

Needed Weekly: \$1,800.00

SERVING CHRIST AND OUR CONGREGATION

ORGANIST: *Helen Lutz*

ASST. ORGANIST: *Audrey Scipioni*

NURSERY CARE: *Vicki Smith*

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: *Selma Patrick*

TRUSTEE CHAIR: *Don Brubaker*

SUPERINTENDANT: *Gary Nicholson*

MISSIONARIES: *Carrie Callahan, China and Rachel Nicholson, Germany*

LAY LEADER: *Steve Scipioni*

SUNBEAM CHOIR: *Bethany Oleyniczak*

ADMIN. COUNCIL: *Cindy Anspach*

CHURCH SECRETARY: *Karen Neidigh*

CUSTODIAN: *Beverly Bell*

PASTOR: *John Lynch (298-1308)*