Elderton Presbyterian Church Resurrection of the Lord/Easter

April 1, 2018

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

ACOLYTE – MaKayla Scrips

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Choral Introit

*Call to Worship: (responsively)

Christ is Risen!

Christ is Risen indeed!

This is the day which God has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn No. 123 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" EASTER HYMN

*Unison Prayer of Confession:

Mighty God: by your power is Christ raised from death to rule this world with love. We confess that we have not believed in him, but fall into doubt and fear. Gladness has no home in our hearts, and gratitude is slight. Forgive our dread of dying, our hopelessness, and set us free for joy in the victory of Jesus Christ, who was dead but lives, and will put down every power to hurt or destroy, when your promised kingdom comes.

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri - page 579

THE WORD

Anthem "Celebrate Jesus" RHODES

Joys, Concerns and God Sightings

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Children's Sermon

*Hymn No. 122 "Thine Is the Glory" JUDAS MACCABEUS First Scripture I Corinthians 1:18-25, 15:12-20 (pew Bible pages 153 & 163) Second Scripture Mark 16:1-8 (pew Bible page 51 N.T.)

Sermon

"It Ain't Over 'Till It's Over"

Rev. Sweeney

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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Presentation of Our Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology and Prayer

SENDING

*Hymn No. 371

"Lift High the Cross"

CRUCIFIER

*Benediction

*Congregational Response: "Because He Lives" (CCLI# 3058448)

Because He Lives I can face tomorrow. Because He Lives all fear is gone. Because I know He holds the future.

And life is worth the living just because He lives

*Postlude

(*) Congregation Standing

We ask that all visitors please fill out the Welcome card found in the pew racks and place in the offering plate. We also ask that our members use this card to request other needs.

A nursery is available for your convenience located in the Adult Sunday School Room. Nursery begins after the Children's Sermon. (for children 5 years old and younger)

Headsets for those with hearing impairment are available for use during worship. See Cassie or sound system person to get one.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: All those mentioned in prayer

PRAYER CHAIN REQUEST CONTACT – Martha Dyott (724-801-8447)

GREETERS TODAY – Tom & Sue Quinn
GREETERS NEXT WEEK – Larry & Linda Prugh

NURSERY TODAY - Hannah Schrecengost - Alexis Stenman NURSERY NEXT WEEK - Carmen Riggle - Brynn Salley

ACOLYTE NEXT WEEK - Grant Johnston

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK: Dewey & Ruth Hixenbaugh, 190 Bash Road

Shelocta, PA 15774

VISITATION TEAMS FOR APRIL: Elders: John & Dee Craig

Deacons: Dave Smail & Ryan Scrips

CHANCEL FLOWERS FOR APRIL: Sue Quinn

Flower Helpers are needed for May, June, July & August. Please contact Sue Quinn.

THIS WEEK

Monday – 6:00 p.m. – Deacons Tuesday – Helping Hand

The Women's Association would like to thank the congregation for their contribution on **Blanket Sunday**. \$959.00 was collected.

Shelocta Church 2018 VBS June 18-22 is asking for volunteers to help with Bible School. Forms are in the vestibules. Please consider helping.