

## THIS WEEK AT GRACE ST. MARK'S

TODAY	4/12	<b>Congregational Meeting</b>	<b>11:00 am</b>
Monday	4/13	Planning Meeting E&H Committee Finance Committee	10:30 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm
Tuesday	4/14	Clothes Closet & Food Pantry Bike Ministry Ed & Missions Committee Worship Committee	9-12:00 pm 9-12:00 pm 2:00 pm 3:00 pm
Wednesday	4/15	Bell Rehearsal Choir Rehearsal	5:15 pm 6:30 pm
Thursday	4/16	Crafters Group Quilters Group <b>New Member &amp; Refresher Class</b>	9:00 am 10:00 am <b>10:00 am</b>
Sunday	4/19	Choir Rehearsal Hymn Sing Worship Birthday Celebration	9:15 am 9:50 am 10:00 am 11:00 am

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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

### Grace St. Mark's Staff

Rev. Lori Lynn Wolford - *Pastor*  
Forrest Posehn - *Office Administrator*  
Karen Muoio - *Financial Secretary*  
*Choir Director:* Beth Corry  
*Piano:* Marleen Ruchotzke



## GRACE ST. MARK'S

Presbyterian Church PCUSA  
Rev. Lori Lynn Wolford



**April 12, 2026**

*Second Sunday of Easter*

\*indicates to stand if you are able

**Prelude**

*xxx*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit**

*xxx*

**\*Call to Worship**

*Ruling Elder Chip Love*

*One: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. By his  
mercy God has given us a new birth into a living hope through  
the resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

**All: We rejoice, for we are children of God.**

*One: We proclaim our faith: no power can overcome Christ's love, and  
as his body, we have received salvation.*

**All: In love and joy, we praise the Lord!**

**\*Prayer of the Day (unison)**

Holy God, we sing your praises. You have brought us new life and freed us for love. Shake us free of anything that inhibits us from living fully as your new creation. Help us to live into your resurrection in relationships mended, wounds healed, communities restored, and wrongs made right, that we might reach for your hand and to witness together, "My Lord and my God!" Amen.

**\*Hymn**

**Morning Has Broken**

#469

## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

Embodied God, you pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, imbuing us with the grace and patience that you have shown to us time and again. We experience your presence, but are quick to judge those who do not believe as we do. We look down on those who ask for proof, we scorn those who scoff at our faith. Forgive us and soften our hearts. Remind us of our own human doubts, that we might have compassion for all and freely share your grace.

*- Silent Reflection & Self-Examination -*

### Assurance of God's Forgiveness

*One: God has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for us .*

**All: Thanks be to God for such a hope. Alleluia!**

### \*Sharing the Peace of Christ

*One: Having been given peace, we believe it!*

**All: Having been blessed with peace, we share it!**

### \*Sung Response

#579

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.

## Children's Sermon

## Prayer for Illumination

## New Testament Lesson

NRSVUE

**Acts 2:14a, 22-32**

## Psalm of the Day

NRSVUE

### Psalm 16

## Gospel Lesson

NRSVUE

### John 20:19-31

## Sermon

*Rev. Lori Lynn Wolford*

### “My Lord and My God”

### \*Affirmation of Faith

*See Insert/Screens*

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.26*

## Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

*Ephesians 1:15-23*

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

## Offering of Gifts & Tithes

### Invitation to Give

*1 John 3:16-17*

### Offertory

*xxx*

### \*Doxology

#592

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, all creatures here below  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### \*Prayer of Dedication

### \*Hymn

#304

### Jesus Loves Me

### \*Benediction

### \*Response

*See Screens*

### Go Now in Peace

### \*Postlude

*xxx*

### **Affirmation of Faith**

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