

“Christ is Risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!”

April 2011

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

A few years ago I remember driving through my neighborhood at this time of year and seeing someone standing by the curb of their yard with a garden hose in hand. They were hosing the gravel off of the edge of their lawn. The gravel had accumulated over the winter months when the streets were treated for ice and snow. And yet, even though that dirty coating had built up over time, it was cleaned off in one fell swoop with a garden hose. I thought to myself, “Isn’t that what God does in each one of our lives?” God takes the sin that has built up over the course of time and in one fell swoop, makes us clean again through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Season of Easter is upon us! You can feel it in the air with the coming of Spring. And with the Season of Easter comes the promise of the resurrection of the dead and hope for eternal life. When our sin weighs heavy upon us, we need to remember that Jesus died for each one of us to free us from the power of sin. Now only God reigns in our lives. Satan no longer has a hold on us.

We have some special events coming up during Holy Week:

April 17: Palm Sunday – 9 am worship at Glenburn. 11 am worship at the Lansford United Methodist Church. At Glenburn there will be several young people receiving First Communion. And don’t forget to come and join in the infamous Glenburn Roast Beef Dinner from 11 am to 1 pm!

April 20: The Burlington Community Choir has rescheduled their Lenten concert in Glenburn for this Wednesday evening at the Glenburn Baptist Church. Soup supper at 6 pm, Concert at 7 pm.

April 21: Maundy Thursday – Come and participate in a Seder Dinner at 6 pm at the Lansford United Methodist Church. We will be sampling all the foods eaten at a tradition Jewish Passover Meal, the meal Jesus was sharing with his disciples at the Last Supper. Worship with Holy Communion will follow at 7 pm.

April 22: Good Friday – Join us for a service of “Tenebrae” as we walk with Jesus to the cross at Golgotha. 7 pm at Glenburn.

April 24: Easter Sunday – Worship at 9 am at the Lansford United Methodist Church, and 11 am at Glenburn. The youth will be serving an Easter Breakfast at Glenburn.

Grace and peace be with you all,

Pastor Heather