



# *3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter*

April 14, 2024 @ 10:00 am

## **Church of The Cross**

*475 West Higgins Road Hoffman Estates, IL 60169*  
(847) 885-1199

**Welcome All ~ Share God's Love ~ Offer Hope ...all in Jesus' Name**

*Bienvenidos todos ~ Compartan el amor de Dios ~ Ofrezcan esperanza... todo en el nombre de Jesús*

## WELCOME ALL

PRELUDE ~ *Preludio*

Dr. Robert K.

Violin and Piano Sonata in A Major by Cesar Franck, Movements 3, 1, 2.

Guest Artist: Marc Thayer, violin, CEO of Elgin Symphony Orchestra

WORDS OF WELCOME ~ *Palabras de Bienvenida*

Rev. Julie Peterson

CHORAL INTROIT

Be Joyful in the Lord. - Donald Moore

COTC Choir

\*CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup> ~ *Llamado a adorar*

Rev. Julie

When fear and doubts stroll  
through our doors:

**God stands beside us,  
whispering of peace.**

When we toss and turn late at night:

**God sits by our beds,  
singing lullabies of love.**

When we stumble through the  
shadows of sin:

**God illuminates the paths of  
goodness and joy.**

*Quando el miedo y las dudas cruzan  
nuestras puertas:*

***Dios está a nuestro lado, susurrando paz.***

*Quando damos vueltas en la cama  
a altas horas de la noche:*

***Dios se sienta junto a nuestras camas,  
cantando canciones de cuna de amor.***

*Quando tropezamos a través de las sombras  
del pecado:*

***Dios ilumina los caminos del bien y  
de la alegría.***

\*OPENING HYMN ~ *Himno*

“Alleluia, Allulia! Give Thanks”

GTG #240

“¡Aleluya, Aleluya! Dar gracias”

CALL TO CONFESSION ~ *Llamado a la confesión*

Stu R.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>1</sup> ~ *Oración de confesión al unisono*

Stu R.

**God of empty tombs: Peter speaks  
with power and clarity of his faith, while  
we remain silent. Jesus is ready to come  
and grace us with peace; but our fears  
keep our hearts shuttered and locked.**

**God of full hearts: your love can  
change us from scared people to  
children of grace. You can weed doubts  
from our hearts and plant seeds of joy  
in their place.**

**You can silence the panic of our souls  
with the peace Jesus offers to each of  
us. Transform us into Easter people,  
through the power of Jesus Christ, our  
Risen Lord and Savior.**

***Dios de los sepulcros vacíos: Pedro habla con  
poder y claridad de su fe, mientras nosotros  
guardamos silencio. Jesús está listo para venir  
y honrarnos con la paz; pero nuestros miedos  
mantienen nuestros corazones cerrados y  
bloqueados.***

***Dios de corazones llenos: tu amor puede  
cambiarnos de personas asustadas a hijos de  
gracia. Puedes eliminar las dudas de nuestros  
corazones y plantar semillas de alegría en su lugar.***

***Puedes silenciar el pánico de nuestras almas  
con la paz que Jesús ofrece a cada uno de  
nosotros. Transfórmanos en pueblo pascual, por  
el poder de Jesucristo, nuestro Señor y Salvador  
Resucitado.***

OUR SILENT CONFESSION ~ *Nuestra confesión silenciosa*

Stu R.

\*SUNG RESPONSE  
*Respuesta cantada*

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!”  
“Halle, Halle, ¡Alehuya!”

GTG #591 (*Chorus only, sing 2x*)

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST ~ *Pasando la Paz de Cristo*

\*SING “Jesus Loves Me” ~ *Jesús me ama*

**SHARE GOD’S LOVE**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION ~ *Oración de Iluminación*

Stu R.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

1 John (*1 Juan*) 3:1-7

Stu R./Cheryl W.

This is the word of God for the people of God.  
*Esta es la palabra de Dios para el pueblo de Dios.*  
**Thanks be to God. (Gracias a Dios.)**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke (*Lucas*) 24:33-49

Rev. Julie Peterson /Cheryl W.

This is the word of God for the people of God.  
*Esta es la palabra de Dios para el pueblo de Dios.*  
**Thanks be to God. (Gracias a Dios.)**

SERMON

“...and so we are...”

Rev. Julie Peterson

**OFFER HOPE ...IN JESUS’ NAME**

\*HYMN ~ *Himno*

“Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!”  
“¡Cristo ha resucitado! ¡Grita Hosanna!”

GTG #248

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH<sup>2</sup> ~ *Afirmación de fe*

Stu R.

**This is the gospel which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, he was buried, he was raised on the third day, and he appeared first to the women, then to Peter and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.**

**We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

*Este es el evangelio que hemos recibido, en el cual estamos firmes y por el cual somos salvos, si lo retenemos: Cristo murió por nuestros pecados según las Escrituras, fue sepultado, resucitó al tercer día, y se apareció primero a las mujeres, luego a Pedro y a los Doce, y luego a muchos testigos fieles.*

*Creemos que Jesús es el Cristo, el Hijo del Dios vivo. Jesucristo es el primero y el último, el principio y el fin; él es nuestro Señor y nuestro Dios. Amén.*

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

Stu R.

*Presentando nuestros Diezmos y Ofrendas a Dios*

CHORAL OFFERTORY

Abide - Chris Owensby

COTC Choir

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all creatures here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

*Alabado sea Dios, de quien brotan todas las bendiciones; Alabad a Cristo, todas las criaturas de aquí abajo;  
Alabado sea el Espíritu Santo por siempre; Alabado sea Dios Uno y Trino, a quien adoramos. Amén.*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION ~ *Oración de dedicación*

Stu R.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER ~ *Oraciones del Pueblo y el Padrenuestro* Rev. Julie

\*CLOSING HYMN ~ *Himno* “Go Ye, Go Ye into the World” ~ “*Id, id al mundo*” *Sing the Faith #2239*

Go ye, go ye in - to the world, and

{ make dis - ci - ples of all the na - tions.  
take the gos - pel to all the peo - ple.  
tell the sto - ry to all be - liev - ers. } Go ye, go ye

in - to the world, and I will be with you there!

\*BENEDICTION ~ *Bendición*

Rev. Julie Peterson

*La gracia de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, el Amor de Dios y la Comunión del Espíritu Santo sean con ustedes. Es con los que amas, y es con los que nadie ama. Salgamos al mundo y compartamos el amor de Dios. Amén y amén.*

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION Lord, Let Us Now Depart in Peace. - George Whelpton

COTC Choir

\*POSTLUDE

Violin and Piano Sonata, Movement 4

Dr. Robert K.

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<sup>2</sup>From select scripture passages: Mark 16:1-9, Matthew 16:16, Revelation 22:13, John 20:23, I Corinthians 15:1-6



**Judy** (friend of Glenna)  
**Art/Sue A** (former members)  
**Linda A** (sister of Judy M)  
**Beth B** (Stu R's sister)  
**Mildred B./Leslie** (Mildred's granddaughter)  
**Mary Ann B**  
**Robert B** (Jim B's father)  
**Brenden** (family of Laura D's co-worker)  
**Vanessa B**  
**Beth C** (Judie's friend's daughter)  
**Carol C** (friend of John H)  
**Christian** (grandnephew of Jane/Dave)  
**Jim C** (Mary Ann's son-in-law)  
**Patrick C** (Stu/Marie's son-in-law)  
**Patti C** (Karen's friend)  
**Sabina C** (Adelaide's sister-in-law)  
**Chuck/Renee** (Laura's brother/wife)  
**Dori Kay** (Ken's cousin)  
**Laura D**  
**Linda D** (Jim/Sue's relative)  
**Betty F** (Chris L's mother)  
**Karen F**  
**Marian F** (Sue Le's aunt)  
**Brian/Kim** (Adelaide's neighbors)  
**Adelaide G**  
**Naana G**  
**Miranda G** (Sue Li's friend)  
**Allen G** (Hank/Glenna's friend)  
**Mark H** (Joe's friend)

**Rita H** (Jim/Ann's relative)  
**Dottie K** (Sue/Joe's friend)  
**Mary Ellen K** (friend of Dave W)  
**Kristen L** (George/Mary's friend)  
**Sheila L** (Donna's family member)  
**Judy McC**  
**Fritz/Fay M**  
**Crisann M** (friend of Mike/Chris L)  
**Don M** (Hank/Glenna's son)  
**Douglas M** (Hank M's brother)  
**Lisa M** (Karen's daughter)  
**Steve M**  
**Jan N** (Cathy's friend)  
**Opal** (Donna H's mother)  
**Marcia O** (Karen's friend)  
**Ellen/John R** (COTC former members)  
**Lamar R** (John/Cheryl's friend)  
**Tom R** (Sue Li's brother)  
**Doris S** (Cathy W's mom)  
**Martha S** (John/Cheryl's friend)  
**Lowell S** (Marie's cousin)  
**Tom S** (Cathy's friend)  
**Laurie U**  
**Carol W** (Karen's friend)  
**Caregivers**  
**People devastated by terrorism, war,  
natural disasters, and our country**  
**Families who grieve**

- **Jack H** (Mike/Chris' friend)
- **Marja Crane** (former COTC member)





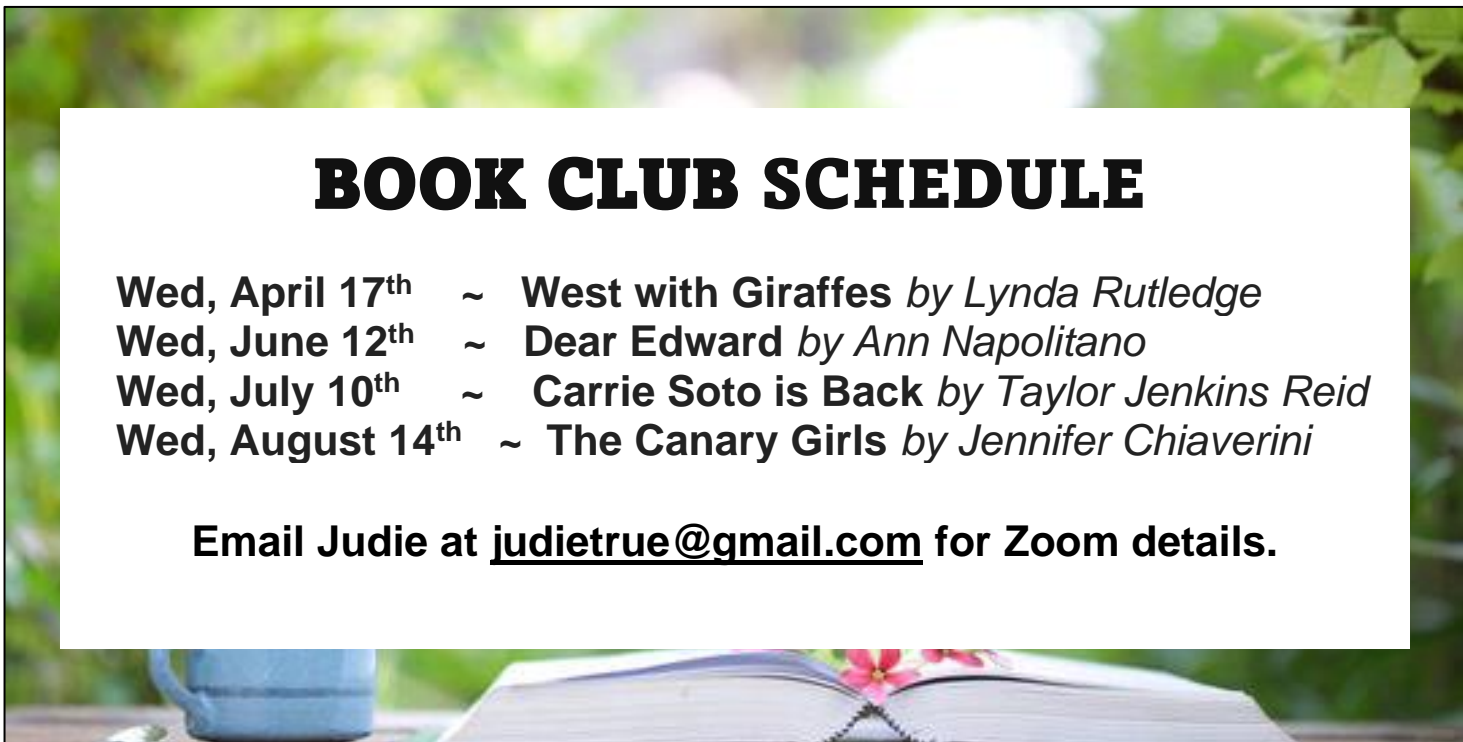
# Weekly Calendar

<b>Sunday, April 14</b>	<b>10 am – Worship Service</b> <b>11:45 am – Adult Sunday School</b>
<b>Tuesday, April 16</b>	<b>11 am - 1 pm ~ Lilies Clothes Closet</b> <b>11 am ~ Zoom Gathering</b> <b>No Bell Choir Rehearsal</b> <b>7 pm – Session Meeting</b>
<b>Wednesday, April 17</b>	<b>12 noon ~ Lunch with Pastor Julie</b> <b>7 pm – Book Club</b>
<b>Thursday, April 18</b>	<b>4 pm ~ Lilies Clothes Closet</b> <b>7 pm ~ Choir Practice</b>
<b>Sunday, April 21</b>	<b>10 am ~ Worship Service</b> <b>11 am ~ Coffee Hour</b> <b>11:45 am – Adult Sunday School</b>

## BOOK CLUB SCHEDULE

- Wed, April 17<sup>th</sup> ~ West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge**
- Wed, June 12<sup>th</sup> ~ Dear Edward by Ann Napolitano**
- Wed, July 10<sup>th</sup> ~ Carrie Soto is Back by Taylor Jenkins Reid**
- Wed, August 14<sup>th</sup> ~ The Canary Girls by Jennifer Chiaverini**

**Email Judie at [judietrue@gmail.com](mailto:judietrue@gmail.com) for Zoom details.**



# **SCHAUMBURG SPRING FOOD DRIVE**

We have been asked by the Schaumburg Township Food Pantry to participate in their Spring Food Drive from April 13 through May 11th , so please check your pantries and see what items you might want to donate in the next few weeks.



## **The Schaumburg Township Food Pantry needs the following items:**

- Mayonnaise and other condiments\*
- Pancake mix, cereal, spam
- Canned chicken, spam
- Beans – both canned and dry
- Boxed pasta and pasta sauces
- Jars of applesauce
- Canned fruit – peaches and pineapple
- Tomato sauce and tomato paste
- Large, canned soups
- Chili and stew
- Crackers
- Snack size chips
- Pasta Roni and Rice-A-Roni
- Hamburger Helper
- Baking items: flour, sugar, salt, baking soda
- Cooking oil
- Cake mixes, frosting, brownie mix, muffin mix
- Coffee – instant, ground, K-Cups
- Personal care items – shampoo, soap, toothpaste

**\*Condiments are the most needed item for the month of April.**

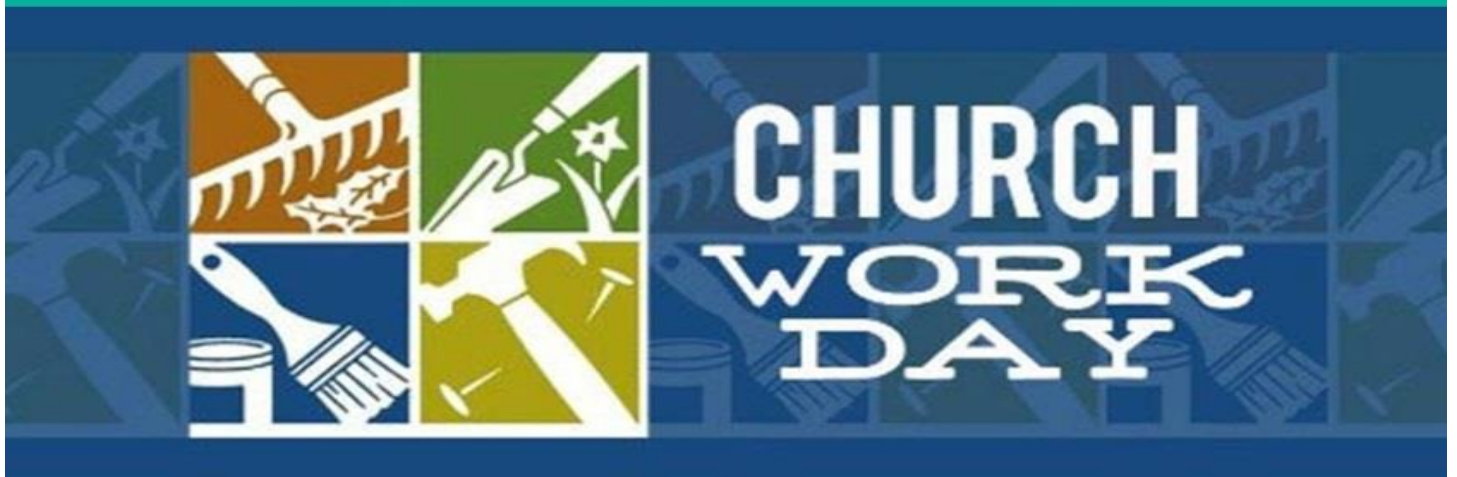
# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**



**Volunteers are needed for the Dakota Partnership  
Mission Trip to Sisseton, June 25-29, 2024.**

**For more information contact Stu Truelsen or Cathy Walker.**

## **Spring Clean Up!**



**Join us on Saturday, April 27 @ 9 am!**



# **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

**Wednesdays @ 7pm**

Please contact Ken Groenewold or Stu Rutter for more details.

# **COFFEE & CONVERSATION**

Thursday, April 25 @ 10 am  
Thursday, May 9 @ 10 am

Thursday, May 23 @ 10am  
Thursday, June 6 @ 10am

# **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

The group meets on Sundays at 11:45 am.

Everyone is invited to join the study  
in the Gathering Place.

Please Contact Ken G. if you wish to join us via Zoom.