

Arise, Your Light Has Come!

1 A - rise, your light has come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
2 A - rise, your light has come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
3 A - rise, your light has come! All you in sor - row born,
4 A - rise, your light has come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.
pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.
bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947
Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825-1893
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

FIRST READING - Isaiah 40:21-31

Our help and our strength come from the LORD.

²¹Have you not known? Have you not heard?
Has it not been told you from the beginning?
Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;
who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,
and spreads them like a tent to live in;

²³who brings princes to naught,
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,
when he blows upon them, and they wither,
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

²⁵To whom then will you compare me,
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see:

Who created these?

He who brings out their host and numbers them,
calling them all by name;
because he is great in strength,
mighty in power,

not one is missing.

²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob,
and speak, O Israel,
"My way is hidden from the LORD,
and my right is disregarded by my God"?

The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.

²⁹He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the powerless.

³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary,
and the young will fall exhausted;

³¹but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.

PSALM - Psalm 147:1–11, 20c

We praise God for God's power and wisdom.

¹Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God!
How pleasant it is to honor God with praise!

²**The LORD re-builds Jerusalem,
and gathers the exiles of Israel.**

³The LORD heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.

⁴**The LORD counts the number of the stars
and calls them all by their names.**

⁵Great is our LORD and mighty in power;
there is no limit to God's wisdom.

⁶**The LORD lifts up the lowly,
but casts the wicked to the ground.**

⁷Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;

make music upon the harp to our God,
⁸**who covers the heavens with clouds
and prepares rain for the earth,
making grass to grow upon the mountains.**

⁹God provides food for the cattle
and for the young ravens when they cry.

¹⁰**God is not impressed by the might of a horse,
and has no pleasure in the speed of a runner,**

¹¹but finds pleasure in those who fear the LORD,
in those who await God's steadfast love.^{20c} Hallelujah!

SECOND READING - 1 Corinthians 9:16–23

Paul's actions are driven by his desire to share the message of the Gospel

God entrusted Paul with the responsibility of bringing the gospel to diverse people. Hence the focus of Paul's ministry is not his own rights or privileges as an apostle but the privilege of serving God by freely sharing the good news of Christ with others.

¹⁶If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. ¹⁸What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. ¹⁹For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. ²⁰To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. ²¹To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those

outside the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. ²³I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

GOSPEL - Mark 1:29–39

Jesus demonstrates the power of God’s kingdom through proclamation and through healing.

²⁹As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once.

³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." ³⁸He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
 2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
 3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
 4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
 bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
 joy like seed and, all our days, to
 to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
 share a dream and help the blind to see.
 cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
 pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

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I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me



1 I'm so glad I'm so glad
 2 Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me. Sa - tan had me bound,
 3 When I was in trou - ble, When I was in trou - ble,



Je - sus lift - ed me. I'm so glad
 Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me,
 When I was in trou - ble,



sing - ing glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus lift - ed me.

Text: African American spiritual
 Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

Living Water Lutheran Church Announcements Feb 5 - Feb 11, 2012

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“Building Relationships with God and Each Other”

We, the people of Living Water Lutheran Church, promise to share our faith in God and Jesus Christ, with those attending worship, with our family and friends, neighbors and strangers. We will reach out to the sick, the poor, those in need and to those unchurched. We will invite others to join us in worshipping our Lord and Savior. We will pray for each other through good times and bad times. We will trust in God and fully rely on Him. We as God’s children, say AMEN.

Our Stewardship of Worship and Treasure

Jan 15	57	\$1189 + \$40 Debt reduction
Jan. 22	41	\$1419 + \$220 debt reduction
Jan. 29	75	\$1357 + \$232.06 debt reduction

Living Water Servants

Day	Communion	Reader	Greeters
Feb 05	Liz Sheffey Judy Hurd	Pete Sloan	Marsha Johnson
Feb 12	Ann Huck Rhonda Moore	Bill Moore	Shirley Klumpe
Feb 19	Margie Lockridge Bill Moore	Liz Sheffey	Terry Lockridge

Feb 5 Fellowship: Sloan Family

Feb 12 Fellowship: Marsha Johnson

Feb 19 Fellowship: Poust family

This Week at Living Water

Sun	Feb 5	9:55a	Sunday School (Nursery - High School)
		10:00a	Worship
		11:00a	Fellowship
		12:00p	Confirmation Kick-off
Tue	Feb 7	7:00p	Bible Listening/Prayer
Wed	Feb 8	7:00p	Quilters
		7:30p	Men: Theology on Tap
Thur	Feb 9	11:00a	Bible Listening/Prayer
		3:30p	Farmer's Market

Anniversary: Joe & Lee Minick 11th

Baptismal Birthday: Jackson Taylor 8th
Summer-Lynn Hughes 11th

Birthday: John Childs 9th

Special Events Calendar

Sun Feb 05	11:30a	Confirmation kick off meeting for parents and students
Sat Feb 18	6:30p	Game Night
Wed Feb 22	7:00p	Ash Wednesday service.
Sun Feb 26		Catechetical and 1 st Communion classes begin.

Next Women's Meeting

The next Women's Group will meet at **9:00a on Saturday, March 3rd** at the home of Carol Greenlee (104 Windward Court, Stevensville). For directions call 410-643-1731.

Next Men's Meeting

The Men's Group 'Theology on Tap' will meet again on **Wednesday, Feb 8th at 7:30p.**

Announcements

Grief Share Ministry at Kent Island United Methodist Church will be starting weekly every Thursday from Feb 2 thru May 3, 2012. The only expense is \$10 to offset the cost of the workbook. You can register for either the morning group (10:00a - Noon) or the evening group (6:30 - 8:30p). For more information or to register call Kathy 410-924-3892 or Wendy 410-200-6589 or email Annette...apotts2004@aol.com

The Episcopal Diocese extends an invitation to the men of the Delaware-Maryland Synod to join them and Keynote Speaker Bishop Joe Burnett to the **2012 Diocesan Men's Retreat**, February 10th thru 12th, 2012 - "Journey to the Cross ... Reflections on the Life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer and What It Means For Your Life Today". This event is being held at the Bishop Claggett Center in Buckeystown, Maryland. For more information contact:

Stuart Scarborough - sscarborough@bishopclaggett.org

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Our Living Water Food Bank serves over 200 families a week. Please remember to donate canned goods or non-perishable items. They also accept monetary donations. Bring your items to church and place them in the basket in the narthex area.

Summer Camp Registration Now Open! Check out the brochure online www.mar-lu-ridge.org to find just the right camp for your child or grandchild. A variety of programming is designed for ages 6 thru 17, with Adult Camp and Family Camp as well. Scholarship money is available for those in need. Come meet Jesus in this special place! Call Sarah or Elliott for assistance (800-238-9974) or **register on-line before Feb 17.**

The Baltimore Lutheran Campus Ministry presents: The Morgan State University Choir in concert on Saturday, March 3rd 3:00p at Christ Lutheran Church (701 S. Charles St, Baltimore, MD). Tickets are \$25 per person (\$50 per person for preferred seating), a portion of the ticket price is tax deductible. To order tickets call Pastor Laura Sinche 410-321-4484.

Lenten Retreat “Becoming Who You were Created To Be: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit” Saturday, March 10 at the beautiful, peaceful setting of Mar-Lu-Ridge in Jefferson, MD. A hot lunch is included. For more information or to register you may call the camp a 1-800-238-9974
email Sarah Lefler mir@mar-lu-ridge.org
or go to www.mar-lu-ridge.org

Open Your Heart and Home to a Lutheran German, French or Norwegian exchange student for the coming 2012 -2013 school year. Caring host families are needed to provide food, a bed and a loving home for the one or two semesters starting in late August. EMF students have medical insurance, spending money, speak English and are well screened and eager to experience life in America. Their stay is sponsored and supervised by EMF (Educational Merit Foundation), a non-profit, educational exchange program. For more information on EMF students call Marie-Claude Dijoud 1-800-467-8363 or visit www.emfusa.org

Prayers are Invited

Members and Attenders: Ret. Col. Hank Tillman, Sherrie Carroll, Eric Sylvia & Beth Moyer, Gary Neeley (back surgery); and Bernie Ost.

Family: Duane Moyer (Beth’s dad; skin cancer); Jesse Graham (John’s brother: cancer), Joyce Becker (Shirley Klumpe’s sister), Steve Poust, Sharon (Tom Simpson’s niece: uterine cancer surgery); Jared Jakubowski (deployed to Afghanistan); Vicky Blitz (Kim Donnelly’s 2nd cousin-brain tumor).

Friends: Bill and Mary Jane Bradford; Ken and Ruth Smith; Linda Adelman; Joan Carrigan; Ruth Sheirer; Rosalie Rowan (lung cancer), Betty Pitt (breast cancer), Sylvia Davis, Kathy Reed (colon cancer); Albert Gibson (lung and brain cancer), Ginger, Brian Griffith; Lisa, Rob Jewell; Roberta; Lois Johnson (breast cancer), Shirley Fohlin (Eileen’s sister) fell, broke 4 ribs and has pneumonia, Mandy, Obby & Jimmy (friends of Tatiana), Tom Eisenhuth (cancer).

Living Water Prayer List:

Monday: Lee Ann Element
Tuesday: Lizanne Flowers
Wednesday: Mike & Gail Flynn
Thursday: Carole Foreman
Friday: Bertha Giles
Saturday: John & Sally Graham



Date _____

Welcome & Response Card

Please place in offering plate)

Name(s) _____

New/Changed Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Names of children (ages) & others living at home:

1st visit 2nd visit 3rd visit regular participant member

I came as a guest of _____

I learned about LW through _____

My friends at LW include _____

I would like :

___ To help with _____ ___ To talk with the pastor

I would like to learn about:

I would like information about:

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| ___ Beliefs | ___ Children's learning & Activities |
| ___ Baptism | ___ Youth learning & Activities |
| ___ Communion | ___ Youth learning & Activities |
| ___ Confirmation | ___ Adult learning & Activities |
| ___ Membership | ___ Women's Activities |
| ___ Prayer | ___ Men's Activities |
| | ___ Service Opportunities |

My thoughts, suggestions, response, or questions for today:

Special Prayer Request:

Commitment I want to make:

