



# *EASTER*

MARCH 31, 2024

SAXE GOTHA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

**\*Congregation is asked to stand if able.**

## PRELUDE

*And Can It Be*

arr. Joshua Evanovich

## CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY

## INTROIT

Hymn # 359 - *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks*

## THE STORY OF EASTER

Matthew 28:1-10

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP & PASSING OF THE PEACE

***based on Matthew 18:20***

ONE: Joyful is the sound we make this morning!

**ALL: For this day liberates us from doubt and fear.**

ONE: Thankful is the song we sing!

**ALL: For this day moves us past darkness and despair.**

ONE: Hopeful is the prayer upon our lips!

**ALL: For this day awakens in us long-awaited new life.**

ONE: Jesus said, "Where two or more are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

**ALL: Christ lives here and now. He is among us at this and every moment!**

ONE: May his peace and presence be known to you.

**ALL: And also to you.**

## \*OPENING HYMN

Hymn #365 - *Alleluia! Alleluia!*

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

***based on 1 Corinthians 15:3-7; Colossians 1:15-20***

## \*GLORIA PATRI

#813- *Glory Be to the Father*

\*HYMN

Hymn #367- *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

ANTHEM

*Without His Cross*

by Joseph Martin

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Easter Special Offering - Thornwell Children's Home

OFFERTORY

*I Know that My Redeemer Liveth*

by Handel

\*DOXOLOGY

#166- *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OFFERTORY BLESSING AND PRAYER

## **WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

MESSAGE

The Surprise Ending - Psalm 30

Rev. Dr. Morgan Murray

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

ANTHEM

*Hallelujah Chorus*

by Handel

\*INVITATION AND BENEDICTION

## **THANK YOU**

Joshua Evanovich - Organ   Cathy McGill - Piano  
Ben Dawkins - Trumpet

# SUMMER *at Saxe Gotha*

## FIESTA POTLUCK

**Sunday, May 5**

Join us after the service for a potluck in the gym following the AWE and 11am services. Bring your favorite Mexican dish, casserole, vegetable, fruit, salad or dessert to share.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: BREAKER ROCK BEACH

**June 10-13**

**Ages 4K-Rising 6th Grade**

Adventure awaits each day as kids explore the tide pools, spot orcas, fly kites and watch the mighty waves crash up against the immovable Breaker Rock! God's truth never changes!

## ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

**Saturday, July 20, 7am-1pm**

Save the date for our Annual Saxe Gotha Garage Sale! Net proceeds of the sale go to Missions! Items can be donated beginning Monday, July 15.

**To sign up and  
see more events visit:**



[saxegotha.org/events](https://saxegotha.org/events)