



Accent on Music

Covenant E.P.C. of Lake Jackson

April 9, 2023

Easter Sunday - White

Music to Rehearse

Hymns

Christ the Lord is Risen Today 234

Thine is the Glory 251

Response/Doxology

Jesus Christ is Risen (Vs. 2) 250

Jesus Christ is Risen (Vs. 4) 250

Anthem – *Ring The Easter Bells - Choir and Chimes*

Other Music

Chancel Chimes 04/16

Compassion Hymn 04/23

Come, Follow Me 04/30

Fall Like Rain 05/07

Give Me Jesus 05/14

Chancel Chimes 05/21

Scripture & Message

Message: “The Empty Tomb”

Scripture: Isaiah 25:1-9

¹LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done wonderful things, things planned long ago.

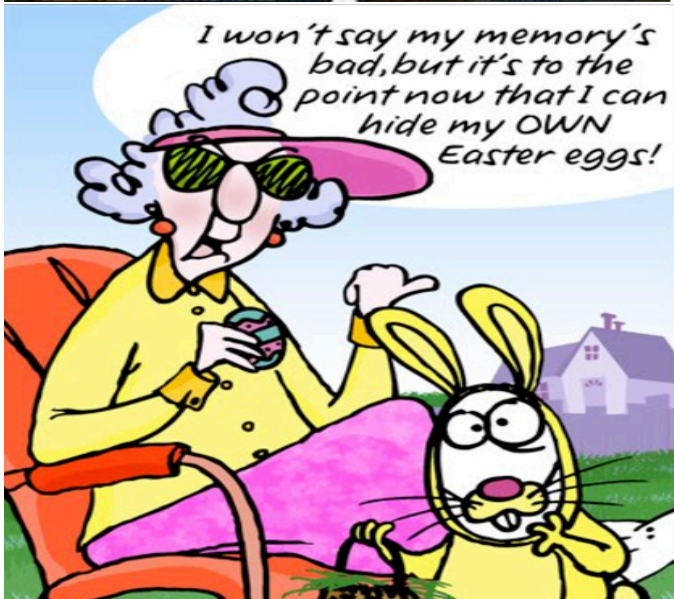
²You have made the city a heap of rubble, the fortified town a ruin, the foreigners' stronghold a city no more; it will never be rebuilt. ³Therefore strong peoples will honor you; cities of ruthless nations will revere you. ⁴You have been a refuge for the poor, a refuge for the needy in their distress, a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat. For the

breath of the ruthless is like a storm driving against a wall ⁵ and like the heat of the desert. You silence the uproar of foreigners; as heat is reduced by the shadow of a cloud, so the song of the ruthless is stilled. ⁶On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine - the best of meats and the finest of wines. ⁷On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; ⁸he will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The LORD has spoken. ⁹In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

Scripture: John 20:1-9

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ²So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!" ³So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter, who was behind him, arrived and went into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷as well as the burial cloth that had been around Jesus' head. The cloth was folded up by itself, separate from the linen. ⁸Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹(They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.)

Smile



A mother was struggling to get the ketchup out of the bottle when the phone rang. She asked her four-year-old daughter to answer it. She heard her daughter say, "**Mommy can't come to the phone. She's hitting the bottle.**"

After service, a stranger approached the pastor and said, "*I'd like you to pray for my hearing.*" The pastor placed his hands on the man's ears and said a passionate, earnest prayer. "*How's your hearing now?*" the pastor asked. Looking surprised, the man said, "*Well, it's not until tomorrow.*"

How does the Easter Bunny stay fit?
EGG-xercise and HARE-robics!

How does the Easter Bunny keep his fur neat?
With a hare brush!

Why can't a rabbit's nose be 12 inches long?
Because then it would be a foot!

What did the rabbits do after their wedding?
Went on their bunny-moon!

What happened when the Easter Bunny met the rabbit of his dreams?
They lived happily ever after!

How do you catch the Easter Bunny?
Hide in a bush and make a noise like a carrot!

How many Easter eggs can you put in an empty basket?
Only one - after that it's not empty anymore!

How do you know carrots are good for your eyes?
Have you ever seen a rabbit wearing glasses?

How does Easter end?
With the letter R!

How does the Easter Bunny travel?
By hare plane!

What do you call a dumb bunny?
A hare brain!

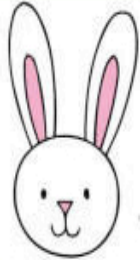

How does a rabbit keep his fur looking good?
With hare spray!

Why did the Easter egg hide?
He was a little chicken!

What did the rabbit say to the carrot?
It's been nice gnawing you!

Why did the Easter Bunny cross the road?
Because the chicken had his Easter eggs!

What kinds of books do bunnies like?
Ones with hoppy endings!

Church Notice: Baptisms - After Easter, the North and South ends of the church will be utilized. **Children will be baptized at both ends.**

Early one morning the husband and wife were arguing over who should get out of the warm bed to make the coffee. Finally, the wife folded her arms and said decidedly, "You have to make the coffee. It's in the Bible!" The husband was shocked. "Is not! Show me!" Pulling out her Bible, the wife opened it to one of the New Testament books and declared, "**It says right here — HEBREWS!**"

Not quite getting the **Pledge Allegiance**, the little first grader said, "**I led the pigeons to the flag.**"