



April 12, 2017  
Celebration Choir Newsletter

## REHEARSAL ORDER:

1. Vocal Warm-up
2. *Hallelujah What a Morning!*
3. *O Blessed Dawn of Easter's Day*
4. *O the Blood*
5. *Mercy Tree*

## NOTES:

- The orchestra will practice our choir's songs Sunday morning beginning at 8 a.m. You are welcome to come to the loft and sing through the songs with the orchestra as a final rehearsal if you'd like!
- Be in Fellowship Hall by 10 a.m.
- Wear colorful Easter attire!
- Choir will exit loft during Offertory

## SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM YOUR PASTOR:

To say this is going to be a "big week" would be an understatement. I trust that there will be many fresh faces in our church [this Sunday](#).

In order to make the most of our Easter celebration, I need to ask 5 favors from you:

### #1. Join me in prayer and fasting [on Thursday](#).

As we've done several times already this year, we will meet in the Sanctuary [at Noon on Thursday](#) to pray for our church, our ministries, and for those God has placed on each of our hearts to reach out to.

If you cannot make it here to pray with us, consider setting aside your [lunchtime on Thursday](#) and pray where you are for God to work through us in a powerful way this weekend.

### #2. Help us pick up around the perimeter.

Our crew picks up around the church regularly, but beer cans and other litter gets tossed out of cars on the weekends when no-one is here. If you have an extra 15 minutes, consider helping us police the grounds so that visitors will have a wonderful experience as they pull into our church campus.

### #3. Be present to greet and usher.

We need as many hands-on-deck as we can get to help direct traffic in the sanctuary before the worship service [this Sunday](#). Please be on hand, not just to show people where to sit, but to invite them to come sit with you. The worst place to feel alone is in a crowded church.

### #4. Park far away.

I *hate* asking this, again. You've all been here much longer than I have. You've paid for your parking spots 100 times over. But on Easter [Sunday](#), consider parking as far away as you can. You will be able to get back to your regular parking location very soon. Getting a parking spot close to the entrance might make the difference in whether someone visits our church, or drives down to one of the many other churches in Nederland.

### #5. Invite someone.

I have a full page of people I'm contacting personally and inviting to worship with us on Easter [Sunday](#). I'm inviting people over to my house to continue the celebration after the worship service is over. I'm desperate for people to come and hear about the Resurrection.

We cannot control how many people will be here on Easter. But we can control how many we invite. Let's invite as many as we can and God will send all that we can handle.

### Bonus Favor

Don't just pray for people to come to worship with us on Easter. Pray that they come back. Jesus did not call us to draw a crowd. He called us to make disciples.

I trust, that if we are calling on God in prayer for specific people, if we are faithful in presenting the Gospel, if we invite as many as God will lay on our hearts and give us opportunity to encourage...then God will reward our faithfulness to him by sending us the people He wants us to minister to.

Bro. Jason