

PASTOR'S COLUMN—APRIL 1, 2013

Dear Parishioners:

The Easter Season continues for seven weeks to emphasize that this is it; the center of our faith is the risen Christ! Eternal life is already in our midst thanks to the risen Jesus! Shall we sing out “Alleluia”! “All is well” in the risen savior!

We might want to say to Jesus, “Wait, hold on!” Life on this earth is a mess and “all is well?” The Good News of Christ risen from the dead is that we can face life’s messes with eternal hope for Jesus has already conquered sin and death.

In other words, sin is still around and so is death, but they are not the final word; Jesus is the final Word. We can face sin in Christ’s mercy and face death in Christ’s risen life. The gift of faith poured upon us in baptism, confirmation and deepened at weekly Eucharist is the cornerstone of Easter Joy!

Seven weeks is not nearly enough time to celebrate the risen Christ but it is a reminder via our Church Calendar that our “Alleluias” and our “All is Wells” are founded in the final Word of salvation: Jesus.

Happy Easter!

Fr. Terry