Welcome! We are glad you have chosen to worship with us. This is the Lord's house, and all are welcome here. We practice open hearts, open minds, and open doors. If you are able, please stand while speaking or singing when indicated by an asterisk*.

"Christ Is Risen" **UMH 307** Gathering

Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days.

Christ is risen! Hush in wonder, all creation is amazed.

In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.

Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

Rafferty Cleary Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Receiving the Light of Christ Jill Jones-Lazuka & Acolyte

*Call to Worship by Lisa Hancock Rafferty Cleary

Leader: Beloved, Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Leader: Our Savior is risen!

People: Our Savior is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Leader: Steadfast Love is risen!

People: Steadfast Love is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Leader: This is the day that God has made; People: Let us rejoice and be glad! Alleluia!

* Hymn of Praise "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" **UMH 302**

You may be Seated

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Fabian Lord's Prayer Rafferty Cleary

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem "Lord of the Dance" Choir

Hymn of Preparation "Hallelujah!" Let Us Say

"Hallelujah!" Let us say: Jesus lives! He lives today!"

Up on Joseph's garden tomb Absent now the two night's gloom.

Darkness is replaced with light. Christ has won the sacred fight.

Rolled away the heavy stone. We now make his rising known.

"Hallelujah!" Let us say: "Jesus lives! He lives today!"

"Hallelujah!" Let us sing: "Jesus lives, our risen King!"

Gone the nails that held him fast. All of Friday's pain is past.

Gone the nails that pierced him then. Christ is living once again.

No more weeping for One dead. Empty is his fun' ral bed.

"Hallelujah" Let us sing: "Jesus lives, our risen King!"

"Hallelujah!" Let us shout: "We believe! We do not doubt!"

We are certain this is true: Christ is making all things new.

May the God of gods be praised. Our Redeemer has been raised.

This should come as no surprise: With him we will surely rise.

"Hallelujah!" Let us shout: "We believe! We do not doubt!"

* Scripture Reading Acts 10:34-43 **Pastor Fabian**

Jesus' ministry after his baptism

10:34 Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, 10:35 but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. 10:36 You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. 10:37That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 10:38how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. 10:39We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, 10:40but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, 10:41not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 10:42He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead.

10:43All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Message "Chosen by God as Witnesses"

> "Because He Lives" **UMH 364**

* Hymn of Response Offertory Prayer Rafferty Cleary

Radiant God, whose love endures forever, we gather today in the light of resurrection hope, offering these gifts as a response to the abundant grace we have received. In this period of spiritual renewal, may our giving reflect the joy of the empty tomb and the promise of life everlasting. Transform our offerings into acts of love that bring light to the world, just as Christ's light dawned in our hearts. We dedicate these gifts to your service, trusting that, in your hands, they will bring forth new life. Amen.

Offertory Music Jill Jones-Lazuka

* Congregational Response

"Doxology"

UMH 94

Pastor Fabian

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* Sending Forth "Up from the Grave He Arose" Jill Jones-Lazuka and Acolytes

Up from the grace he arose, with a mighty triumph or his foes;

He arose a victor from the dark domain, and he lives forever with his saints to reign. He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

* Blessing and Benediction Pastor Fabian

Prayer Updates 4/13/2025

No Prayer request this week.

This Weeks Birthday

April	24	Hazel Walker
April	26	Patsy King
April	26	Jasper Trudel
April	27	Saundra Gilmore

This Weeks Anniversary

April 24 Guarry & Gay Teeple

Upcoming Events

April	26	Men's Bible Study & Breakfast at 8:00 am.

April 26 Cottage Clean out at 10:00 am.

Messages & Other Notes

Donuts & Coffee – Starting May 4th!

Come early and enjoy donuts and coffee at 10:30 AM before the service.

This is a great opportunity to fellowship, catch up with friends, and start the morning with a sweet treat. We look forward to seeing you there!

Volunteers Needed:

We could use a few helping hands to make this happen—like making coffee and picking up donuts. If you'd like to help, please let us know!

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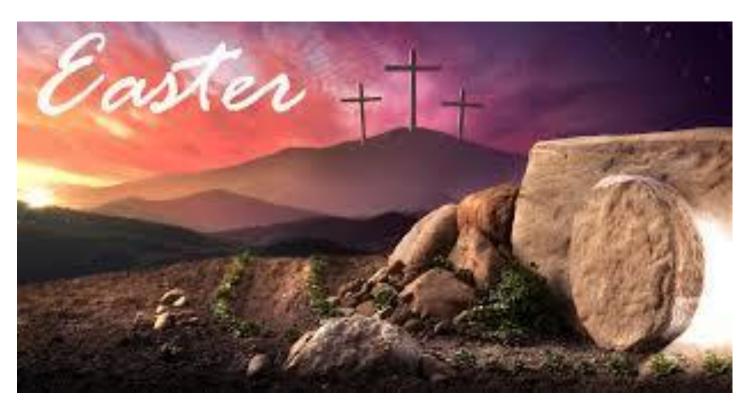
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April 20, 2025 Easter Sunday

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Sundays	Small Group	9:45 a.m.	-	10:45 a.m.
	Worship	11:00 a.m.	-	12:00 p.m.
	Choir Rehearsal	12:00 p.m.	-	1:00 p.m.
	AA Group	6:00 p.m.	-	7:00 p.m.
Mondays	Lunch Bunch	11:30 a.m.	-	12:30 p.m.
Fridays	Lunch Bunch	11:30 a.m.		12:30 p.m.