Those Who Serve

Pastor: Joy Wigal

Musician: Chris Kennedy

Treasurer: Roberta Covert

Audio/Visual Technicians: Larisa Harper & Barb Wolfe

Custodian: Jordan McKee

Administrative Assistant: Amanda Hatfield





GATHER

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSIC FOR GATHERING (PRELUDE)

THRESHOLD MOMENT

JOHN 20:1-11



Hearts open, minds awake, change us now for heaven's sake.
Leave us not alone in hatred's wake.
Show us how to love.
Show us how to love.
Show us how, show us how to love.



Hearts open, souls awake,
rules we made we now must break.
With our very own lives at stake,
we must learn to love.
We must learn to love.
We must learn to love.

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...

Eyes open, shocked awake, much to learn from our mistakes. Draw us closer in our heartache.
Show us how to love.
Show us how to love.

Show us how, show us how to love.

Show us how to love.

Show us how to love.

Show us how, show us how to love, to love, to love.

OPENING PRAYER

Holy and merciful one...
...love us back

But as we come on Easter morning,
weeping like Mary,
you appear to us and you say
"Why are you weeping?
For I am here, Love is here, Life is here.
Arise, as I am arisen!"

We open our hearts, our minds, our souls, our vision to the ways of love created by God, embodied in Jesus, and already moving in us by the Spirit.

We are forgiven, loved, and freed!

Alleluia! Amen!

PEACE

The love and peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP

The neighborhood surrounding Faith UMC will be holding a cleanup day on Saturday, April 22. Faith will be the base point for the cleanup. Please consider joining us as we beautify the church grounds and meet some of our neighbors!

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Aggas Family Baby Christian & Family Bernice Osborne Bev Wolford Betty Miller **Bradley Adams** Brenda Shepherd Buck Brackman David Inman Dennis Cebulsky Doug Adams Dunn Family Ed McAuley Ellen Kelton Fred Cubbison James Finlay Jr. Jane Thorne Janice Moore Jasmine Jill Shrock Jim Tignor JoAnne Peadon

Juanita Mohler

Judy & Ron Jr.

Karen Bay

Karen Norman Karen Wilson Kyle & Richard Felton Laura Peck Levi Tysinger Family Marilyn Inman Marlene Farley Pastor Joy Wigal Patty Pavlik Pear Bradford Ron Pyle Sr. Family Sarah Chapman& Family Saundra Boyd Steve Cahn Steve Inman Suzanne Collins Terry Pickens Thea & Mark Crawmer Tim & Sherry Dickerson Vicky Wolfe Zola Duncan & Family Medical Faith Shut-in: Kathleen McCutcheon *Peace for the World*

UPCOMING LITURGISTS AND GREETERS		
Date	Liturgist	Greeters
April 9	Marsha	Chris & Heather
April 16	Roberta	Mark, Thea & Vickie
April 23	Mark	Floyd & Pat
April 30	Gail	Jim & Barb

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, April 9
Worship (Easter Day)10:30am
Week of April 10-14
(No Head Start)
(Boiler Demolition & Removal)
Monday, April 10
Office Open10:00am-2:00pm
Tuesday, April 11
Office Open10:00am-2:00pm
Wednesday, April 12
Office Open10:00am-2:00pm
Thursday, April 13
Office Open10:00am-2:00pm
Sunday, April 16
Worship10:30am
Monday, April 17
Office Open10:00am-2:00pm
UWF Book Club 6:00pm
Tuesday, April 18
Office Open10:00am-2:00pm
Wednesday, April 19
Office Open10:00am-2:00pm
Thursday, April 20
Office Open10:00am-2:00pm
Newsletter Deadline 12:00pm

OPENING HYMN "Christ the Lord has Risen Today" UMH 302

WE PROCLAIM

CHILDRENS TIME



Love us into fullness, touch us with your grace; Jesus, in your mercy, draw us to your face.

FIRST READING
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 [The Message adapted]

Thank God because...
...God's love never quits.
God's love never quits!

I was right...
...God's love never quits.
God's love never quits!

Do you hear...
...God's love never quits.
God's love never quits!

We didn't die...
...God's love never quits.
God's love never quits!

Thank you for...
...God's love never quits.
God's love never quits!



Love us into fullness, hold us in your care, cheer us with your presence, here and everywhere.

> SECOND READING Matthew 21:11-18

Love us into fullness, and we will be strong; Jesus, walk beside us, fill our hearts with song.

THE WORD IN MUSIC (ANTHEM)

SERMON

WE RESPOND

Our Father who 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 sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom,
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING/OFFERTORY DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, you unconditionally share your only son with all who believe in your name.
On this holy day, receive our offerings as an affirmation of our commitment to be your faithful disciples.
Strengthen our ability to be gifted stewards of your created world.
We pray in the name of the Resurrected One,
Jesus Christ, the Messiah. Amen. John 20:1-18

WE GO FORTH

CLOSING HYMN "He Lives" UMH 310

BENEDICTION

Go forth into the world,
looking for love in all the right places!
We will look for signs of Love,
we will be acts of Love,
we will show the world that Love Always Wins!
And may God enfold you in tender and lasting love. May
Christ be beside you in times of struggle. And may the Spirit
guide you and hold you in community with one another.
Amen.

POSTLUDE