

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

APRIL 12, 2026

SERVICE TIME 11:00 AM

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## GATHERING

*Greet others and make ready your hearts and minds for worship.*

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

## CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

## PRELUDE

*Please be seated and prepare for worship with quiet meditation and prayer.*

## INTROIT

*The Lord Is in His Holy Temple*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Though darkness seems to envelop us.

**Jesus breaks through with a word of peace.**

Fears are banished!

**Hope is more than restored**

Rejoice! The Lord is with us!

**We rejoice in the peace and blessings he brings. AMEN.**

## \*HYMN 57

*O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

## \*OPENING PRAYER

## \*APOSTLE'S CREED 881

## \*GLORIA PATRI 70

## OFFERTORY

## \*DOXOLOGY 95

MUSICAL PRESENTATION

Chip and Veray Mackley

CHILDREN'S TIME

Roger Kruger

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER 895

CHORAL RESPONSE

*Hear Our Prayer, O Lord*

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Peter 1:3-9

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*Hope in God, Rejoice in God, Believe in God*

\*HYMN 529

*How Firm a Foundation*

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Majesty*

\*POSTLUDE

*Items in **Bold** are unison. Items with an asterisk (\*) denote standing as you are able.*

A BIG THANK YOU!

Some loud and long Kudos are definitely in store for our Minister and Gayle, the wonderful Women of Faith, Janice Russell, the sound and video folks, to Richard Walsh, and all of you who attended the Holy Week Services. We especially thank the ones who were there every day and for the Good Friday evening service and Easter Sunday morning!! What a Commitment!! Thank You for your service! Thanks to you and the mostly lovely weather, we had an amazing Holy Week!

FROM WANDA PAYNE AND EVERYONE AT FIRST UMC

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

A MESSAGE FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES: It has come to our attention that the video equipment we use to stream our services to those who are unable to attend in person (at least 5 or 10 households a week) is on its last legs. Our resident technician director has advised us that we can modernize for a modest \$1,000. The Board plans to cover this expense, but also wished to make an appeal to anyone who might wish to help cover all or part of the expense as a gesture of extended giving. If outreach is one of your passions, please consider making a gift to this worthy endeavor. Speak with Pastor John about it if the Spirit moves you. Thanks!

BLESSING BOX: Please give generously on April 19.

NOTICE: If you want to make changes to the prayer requests or to have an announcement placed in the Sunday bulletin, please contact John Crabtree.

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Date	Coffee	Greeters	Children's Sermon	Children's Church
05-Apr	Hofmann	Hadley/Snyder	Communion	Hadley
12-Apr	Bellamy/Smith	Bartholomews	Kruger	Antczak
19-Apr	Kruger	Winninghams	Fortune	Payne
26-Apr	Holder	Walkers	Crabtree	Pennington

Reverend John Crabtree, Pastor  
Dr. Sandra Fortune, Organist  
Janice A. Russell, Pianist