

If you arrive early, please be sensitive to those around you and use this time to prepare for worship.

Please, silence your electronic devices.

GATHERING

Prelude | *Fanfare on Lasst uns erfreuen* arr. Dan Miller (b. 1954)

Chiming of the Trinity

Welcome & Announcements Amanda Onks

† **Call to Worship**

Easter people, Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

† **Hymn, No. 304** | *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* REGENT SQUARE

† **Confession & Words of Assurance**

God's mercy is deeper than the depths of the sea, and God's grace is wider than the whole of the earth. Trusting in that mercy and that grace, let us make our confession before God and one another.

Holy God,

we open our hearts to you this day,

and offer the truth of our lives:

the fear that stifles us,

the prejudice that impedes us,

the ignorance that hinders us,

the doubt that plagues us.

Help us, we pray,

that we will find courage in unlikely places,

move to those places where love is needed,

and have faith that you are with us.

This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Hear the Good News: we are forgiven! We are set free to go out into the world and be the loving, gracious, hopeful people of God!

Alleluia! Amen.

† **Passing of the Peace**

"Peace be with you!" Jesus said to his disciples, both those who saw and believed *and* the one who questioned. Let us pass this peace to all who join us today.

*In a spirit of peace and unity,
let us offer signs of love and peace to those around us.*

Children's Message

Children preschool through fifth grade may go to Spark Kids on the Children's Wing (2nd Floor) or they may remain in worship with their families. First time guests, check in your child with the Children's Ministry leader on the 2nd Floor.

Pastoral Prayer

† **Hymn** | *O Breath of Life* ADIEU

1. O Breath of life, come sweep - ing through us, re - vive your church with life and power. O Breath of life, come cleanse, re - we con - fess our need. Then in your ten - der - ness re - thought and will and heart. Come, love of Christ, a - fresh to new us, and fit your church to meet this hour. make us; re - vive, re - store, for this we plead. win us; re - vive your church in ev - ery part.

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Offering of Our Tithes & Gifts



To give electronically, scan the QR code or visit [Munsey.org/give](https://munsey.org/give).

You may also mail a check to the church.

Anthem | *Two Easter Hymntunes* arr. Charles Callahan (1951-2023)

Matthew Brickey, *organ*

† **Doxology** LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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 pow'r uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

† **Prayer for Illumination** Connie Willeford

Creator of glory, by the raising of your Son, you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and resurrection hope, and send your Spirit now to illuminate your holy word; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

† **Gospel Lesson** | *John 20:19-31*

NRSV

You have heard the ancient story.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

Sermon

Chris Brown

HOLY COMMUNION

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The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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 and ever. Amen.

† **Sharing the Bread & Cup**

This is not a Munsey Memorial table nor is it a United Methodist table; it is Christ's open table of grace and welcome.

All who earnestly seek repentance, love, and peace, are invited to partake in communion.

Prayer

SENDING FORTH

† **Hymn, *The Faith We Sing*, No. 2115** | *Christ Has Risen* HOLY MANNA

† **Benediction**

Chris Brown

Postlude | *Lift High the Cross* arr. Larry Shackley (b. 1956)

All are invited to stay or depart during the Postlude. When departing, do so quietly to show respect to the musician(s) and those who wish to remain.

† *Indicates the people standing in body or in spirit.*

While a sign of reverence, standing is optional. We want to maintain an inclusive worship experience for all.

Cover art | *The Doubt of St. Thomas* (2014), He Qi (b. 1951)

PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Chris Brown, *Senior Pastor*
Amanda Onks, *Executive Director of Programs & Ministries*
Justin Boazman, *Director of Music & Congregational Life*
Matthew Brickey, *Organist & Music Associate*
The Chancel Choir
The Carol G. Transou Choral Scholars
Connie Willeford, *Lay Reader*
Allan J. Cole, *Crucifer*
Laney Onks, *Acolyte*

All are welcome.

Whether you come to worship full of certainty or doubt, you are welcome here, for we are *all* participants in the story of God's work in the world.

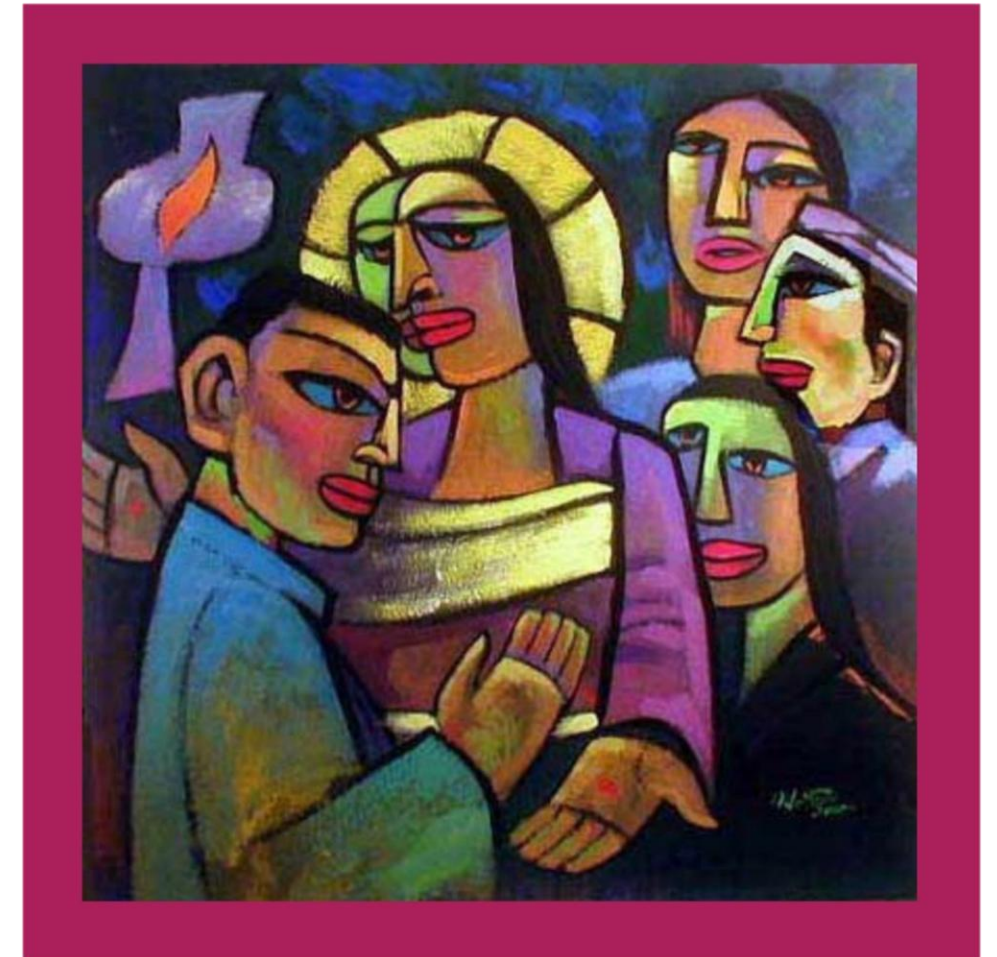
Each service is open for *all* to fully participate. When Holy Communion is shared in worship, *all* are invited to participate regardless of church or denominational affiliation. The table is not ours but God's. It is a table of grace and welcome where *all* are invited – even children.

Children are especially welcome in our worship services either in part or all of each worship experience. The closer they are to the front, the more they are likely to see and experience. There is a nursery available if they cannot sit through the entire service. For those who might find it helpful, the worship service is available on the video monitor in the Parlor.

Kids' Worship Activities are available to enhance your child's worship experience. You can find them in the Narthex.

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United Methodist Church



Easter Flower notes |

In memory of Carol Gardner Transou given by Bedford Transou
In memory of Rev. J. Vance Eastridge given by Carlene Christian & family
In memory of Rev. Nancy Eastridge given by Mike & Angie Eastridge
In memory of Nancy E. Christian given by Mike Christian

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2026
Sanctuary + 11:00 a.m.