

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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"A Holy, Healthy, and Loving Community Striving to Know Christ and to Make Christ Known"



April 24, 2022
Second Sunday of Easter

WELCOME ----- Pastor Michael Atkinson

PRELUDE - "When Morning Gilds the Skies" / D. Christiansen - -Dr. Jessica Scott

PROCESSION OF LIGHT----- Audra Skidmore

*CALL TO WORSHIP----- -Rev. Harry Jenkins

Leader: Happy Easter Season! Today is the first day of the week.

People: The joy of Easter still sings in our hearts.

Leader: Breathe the breath of new life in your spirits!

People: We open our hearts to all the wondrous work God has for us to do.

Leader: Welcome to worship this glorious day!

People: Let our lives be testimony to God's redeeming love!

*OPENING PRAYER

Breathe the breath of new life into us, O Lord, that we may fully feel the power of your love and the awesome glory of the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ. Prepare us to receive your blessing and then to go from this place to be a blessing to others in your name. AMEN.

*HYMN #308 ----- "Thine Be the Glory"

PASTORAL PRAYER

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. Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERTORY- - - "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" / arr. Fred Boch
Dr. Jessica Scott, piano; Brett Miller, organ

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS WITH THE PASTOR

GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

SERMON -----“Take My Word for It” ----- Pastor Atkinson
(You are encouraged to use this space for notes.)

PRAYER OF INVITATION

*HYMN #2196 (The Faith We Sing) ----- “We Walk By Faith”

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE ---- “Praise and Thanksgiving” / D. Christiansen- ----Dr. Scott

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Please feel free to call or send a text to....

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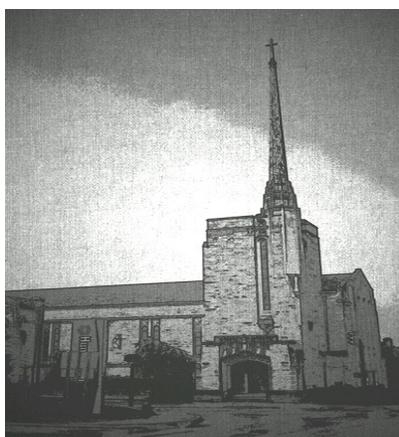
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OFFICE HOURS AT FIRST CHURCH

Beginning Tuesday, May 3rd, our Administrative Assistant, Don Gardner, will be in the church office the following days and hours:
Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
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