

Worship Guide

Sunday, April 16th, 2017

Easter Sunday

8:25 a.m. & 10:55 a.m.

Our mission is to connect our Church with our community and our community with Christ.

With open hearts, minds and doors, we welcome those of every age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, socio-economic condition, family structure, and physical or mental ability into all aspects of the life of this congregation.

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FUMC Invites You!

Join us for an Easter Egg Hunt Today!

All families are invited to join us on the courtyard following the 10:55 a.m. service today! We will gather in front of the steps and begin our hunt all together. Mrs. Annette will announce a "target number" of eggs for each child (so we all get a fair share of the eggs!)

Eggs for toddlers will be placed in the prayer garden for those families who prefer a smaller area. This is always a fun culmination to our Easter Sunday services, and we hope you will join us!

PS- Keep your eyes peeled for a certain bunny! He likes to swing by FUMC for church after all the egg hiding is over!

Adults without children are encouraged to line 1st street to help ensure no stray kiddos make it into the street!

Celebration of Worship

*The nursery, located in Epworth Hall, is available for all morning activities for children, birth - 4 years old.
Out of respect for our worship, please silence all electronic devices prior to the service.
Sound system hearing aids are available from the ushers upon request.*

Family worship will take place for Easter. Children will remain with their families and special goody bags will be provided in the Narthex.

+ Please stand as you are able.

WELCOME

(Please complete Connection Card and place in offering plate.)

Rev. Beth Farabee

PRELUDE/INTROIT

“I Am”
Mark Hays

Chancel Choir with Instruments

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Kevin Johnson

Beloved church, behold the victory of our God:
Jesus, our Lord, has conquered the grave.
Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Sin and death shall reign no more.
Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Let this place resound with joy.
Christ is risen! Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

+ HYMN No. 302 (red hymnal) “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

Organ, Piano,
Instruments

+ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in an Easter God who creates and re-creates, who gives abundant life and is with us through all that life may bring.

We believe in a Resurrected Christ who appeared to his disciples and becomes present to those who follow him in new and surprising ways.

We believe in a Sustaining Holy Spirit foretold by Jesus who came with power and wonders, who gives strength and consolation and empowers us.

We believe our Easter God, Resurrected Christ and Sustaining Holy Spirit call us to share the new life of love we have received, as it has been generously shared with us.

Amen. So be it. Amen!

+ GLORIA PATRI No. 70 (red hymnal)

