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8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE



April 3, 2016



First United Methodist Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday of Easter

Music by The Lord's Crew

April 3, 2016 8:30 AM

Gathering

OPENING PRAISE Come Now is the Time to Worship

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

*PRAISE SONGS More Love More Power
I'd Rather Have Jesus
How Great You Are

*SHARING GOD'S PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing Joys & Concerns
Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Sharing and Responding to God's Word

SONG OF ILLUMINATION Speak to Me Lord

SCRIPTURE John 20:19-31

SERMON "BEYOND THE SHADOW"
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RESPONSE SONG Through it All

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION
(please bring offering up at Communion)

Words for Communion
Communion Song I Surrender All
Prayer after Communion

Going Forth to Serve

*FINAL BLESSING I Love You Lord

*CLOSING SONG Detour

*Worshippers stand as able.



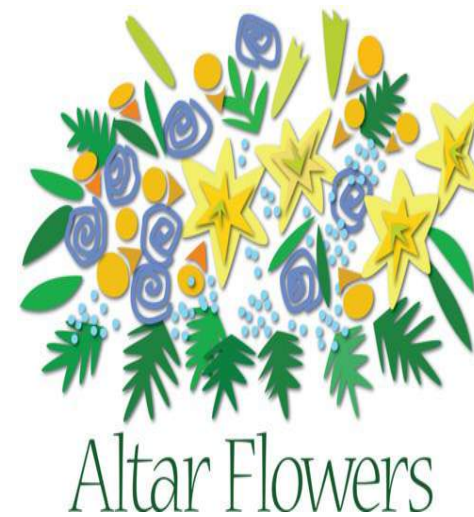
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Welcome to Worship!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 3, 2016 Second Sunday of Easter 10:30 AM

CENTERING WORDS

"Easter people, raise your voices, sounds of heaven in earth should ring. Christ has brought us heaven's choices; heavenly music, let it ring. Alleluia, Alleluia! Easter people, let us sing."

—William M. James

WELCOME

PRELUDE *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* Lowell Mason

CHORAL INTROIT *See, What a Morning* Bruce Greer

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is Risen.
Risen indeed!
Easter is not a day, but a season.
Not a season, but a lifestyle.
We claim the power of the Risen Christ as we walk by faith.
We celebrate the joy and peace of Easter in our hearts!

*OPENING HYMN *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* No. 304

UNISON PRAYER

God of Easter,
As daylight lengthens and spring unfolds around us,
we celebrate the fifty days of Easter.
May its truths find fertile soil deep within our hearts
that joy may grow and hope rise within us.
Renew our hearts, refresh our spirits
and quicken our minds,
as we follow the Risen Christ. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Carolyn Russell
Nursery care is available. Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time. Junior and Senior high will meet in Criswell Hall.

ANTHEM *Sing Out, Children of God* M. Martin, M. Barrett

JOYS AND CONCERNS FROM PRAYER BOOK

A TIME OF MEDITATION AND PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *Alleluia* No. 186
Pastoral Prayer
Lord's Prayer (sing)

SCRIPTURE John 20:19-31

*HYMN *He Lives* No. 310

SERMON "BEYOND THE SHADOW"
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OFFERING

Call to Stewardship and Mission
Offertory *In Christ Alone* Getty/Townend
Doxology/Prayer of Dedication Hymnal, No. 95

***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.***

COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Hymnal, Page 15
Communion Music *One Bread, One Body* John B. Foley

*CLOSING HYMN *Christ is Alive* No. 318

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Because He Lives* No. 364

***Because he lives, I can face tomorrow;
because he lives, all fear is gone;
because I know he holds the future,
and life is worth the living just because he lives.***

POSTLUDE *How Great Is Our God* Reeves, Tomlin, Cash

* *Worshippers stand as able*

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