

The United Methodist Church in
Wayne



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Easter Sunday April 20, 2025

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PRELUDE

Easter Alleluia

UMC in Wayne Choir

WELCOME

INTROIT

Easter Proclamation

Jubilation Ringers

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen in deed!

Leader: Light out of darkness!

All: Life out of death!

Leader: Hope out of despair!

All: Power out of surrender!

Leader: God, this is your grace, marvelous and wonderful!

All: This is your way, always and forever.

Leader: You raise us up with Christ, and we thank you.

All: You create us anew, and we worship you. Alleluia!

HYMN

Christ The Lord Is Risen Today (verses 1-3)

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OPENING PRAYER

“Christ is risen!” “He is risen indeed!”

We repeat our Easter shouts of surprise and joy again and again, for news of your victory over powers of death and evil is news so startling so amazing so different from the news that bombards us day by day.

Beyond our comprehension You startle us again and again with resurrection Life, bringing grace and hope and joy.

You, in your risen power, are shaping all our days, and so we praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen

ACCLAMATION

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

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THE BASKET

SCRIPTURE John 20:11-18

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I

do not know where they have laid him.” When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’ ” Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord,” and she told them that he had said these things to her.

MESSAGE

Hope as an Anchor

ANTHEM

Glorious

Parish Drive

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

CALL TO CONFESSION

As we come to the table with the risen Christ, we are witnesses to the resurrection! Let us forsake all that holds us back from this joy as we offer our confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Jesus our Host, we yearn for your Communion; we yearn for the hope of new life; we yearn to meet you here. And yet, despite your invitation, we find ourselves stumbling on our way. Forgive us.

Silent reflection

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

ONE: Hear the good news! “All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name!” In the name of the risen Christ, you are forgiven!

ALL: In the name of the risen Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God! Amen.

WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING

OFFERTORY

Lord I Lift Your Name on High

The Faith We Sing #2088

**Lord, I lift Your name on high
Lord, I love to sing Your praises**

**I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us**

**You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord, I lift Your name on high**

Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Radiant God, whose love endures forever, we gather today in the light of resurrection hope, offering these gifts as a response to the abundant grace we have received. In this period of spiritual renewal, may our giving reflect the joy of the empty tomb and the promise of life everlasting. Transform our offerings into acts of love that bring light to the world, just as Christ's light dawned in our hearts. We dedicate these gifts to your service, trusting that, in your hands, they will bring forth new life. Amen

**From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord, I lift Your name on high**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

COMMUNION SETTING *please see Communion Setting in Pews*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor Ninabeth: The Lord be with you

All: And also, with you

Pastor Ninabeth: Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor Ninabeth: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

COMMUNION SONG

One Bread, One Body

sung by Cathy Nalesnik and Rachel Fikslin

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*** CLOSING HYMN**

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

He is Risen

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ANNOUNCEMENTS April 2025

CALENDAR OF EVENTS April 21st – 27th

Monday April 21st

AA mtg @ 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall (Room 8)

Tuesday April 22nd

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Wednesday April 23rd

Bible Study @ 12pm in Fellowship Hall BYO Lunch

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Thursday April 24th

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Christian Meditation @ 6:30pm in French Chapel

Friday April 25th

Friday Morning Prayer @ 7pm on Facebook

Sunday April 27th

Worship @ 10am

Jubilation Ringers Rehearsal @ 11:15am



The 2025 Lenten soup sale was a great success!

Many thanks to all who supported this endeavor by cooking, donating, and purchasing soups during the 6 weeks of Lent.

The sale is a whole church event, and we rejoice in the \$1000+ raised to benefit our ministries.



First Friday News

Our next gathering is Friday, May 2 at noon. All are welcome to come, as we BYO our lunches, beverages, and our willingness to have fun together. Our focus will be "Mothers". We will honor and talk about our mothers- their joys, triumphs and challenges during their lifetimes. All are invited to text or email a photo of their mothers to Anita (201-874-6915 or anitadispenziere@gmail.com). We will be able to view the pictures on the large screen TV as we tell our stories.



ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING SENIORS!!

The UMCW Scholarship applications can be picked up in the church office **beginning in April** and must be returned by **May 15th**.

Office Hours: 10am-3pm Tuesday-Thursday.

****Applicants must be an active member of the UMC in Wayne**

**** Any questions contact Nancy Kinch at (973) 694-2603 or nkinch@aol.com**



New Community Garden

We would like to start a **community garden** on our church property! We are looking for folks interested in planning, building, planting and any other ideas you have to offer. We will call it "**The Garden of Eatin'**" If you are ready, willing and able to help, please email Pastor Ninabeth at pastorninabeth@gmail.com



LAST CALL! UMC in Wayne is wrapping up our Lenten challenge collecting food for WIN.

We have extended our collection into the week *after* Easter.

We did this several years ago and we delivered about 150 bags of food to WIN.

The challenge is to beat our old record!

Get your friends and family involved to help our friends in Wayne.

We will have a list of acceptable food items.

Hate to shop? All monetary donations are accepted! See Anita or Liz with questions.

The words and music in our liturgy, hymns, and songs are by:

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