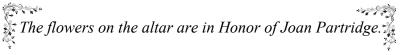
Upcoming Events and Information

Tue./Thur.:Exercise Group (Fireside Room)3:30pmSaturdays:Men's Bible Study (Fireside Room)8:00am

- Everyday Essentials for local pantries are being accepted in fellowship hall. Throughout April we are collecting <u>bar soap</u>. We also need <u>travel-sized</u> <u>toiletries</u>. Thank you for helping those in need!
- **Loose coins** for **April**: *Caretakers of God's Creation* /"It is our faith in the God whose hands have formed all that exists that compels us to care for the earth." *Checks can also be made out to Wesley UMC with a memo "Loose Coins" *



Worship Leaders today

Youth Director: Melissa Hurley

Music Ministry: Judy Bushman (Organist)

Pam Clodfelter (Handbell Choir Director)

Head Usher: Jeff Cedro

8:00am10:00 amLiturgists:Rory SmithDave FredericksGreeters:Frank/Janne RausaAmy/Greg BontzUshers:Rita SmithRoberta Fredericks



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EASTER SUNDAY April 17, 2022

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ENTRANCE

PRELUDE Morning in the Garden by Roger C. Wilson

Low in the Grave by R. Lowry/arr. Lani Smith

Crown Him with Many Crowns words by M. Bridges INTROIT music by G.J. Elvery

(video intro.) ANNOUNCEMENTS

†CALL TO WORSHIP (Ps. 118, Col 3, John 20)

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

The crucified one is risen in glory.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing.

It is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

†OPENING HYMN "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" UMH #302 vs 1,2,3

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need, saying, God in your mercy, hear our prayer. With joy, we pray for all...God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Hear now the prayers of this assembly spoken aloud or in silence....

[A time of silence is kept.]

God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

MORNING PRAYERS

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.

†RESPONSE "Glory Be to the Father" **UMH #70**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:00)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

"In the Garden" UMH #314 vs1.2 HYMN

SCRIPTURE READING John 20:1, 11-16, 18

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

"Walk with Christ the Risen Savior" **SERMON**

THANKSGIVING

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

RESPONSE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES

OFFERTORY

†DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of joyful surprises, with laughter in our hearts and songs on our lips, may our lives reflect the glory of this day. You offer abundance of life and fullness of grace to all who turn to you and seek your blessing. Receive our tithes and offerings in the name of your Son, the source of our joy and strength, that they may be for the world your Easter light and life. Amen.

"He Lives" **CLOSING HYMN**

UMH #310 v 1

BENEDICTION

Christ is Risen! Go forth in joy.

From darkness and despair, we go to share Christ's hope and joy.

Christ is Risen! Go forth in faith.

From doubt and betrayal, we go to walk in faith and fidelity.

Christ is Risen! Go forth to live.

From suffering and death, we go to heal a broken world.

Christ is Risen.

Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia.

†RECESSIONAL "He Lives" UMH #310 (Refrain)

Lancashire **POSTLUDE** by Henry T. Smart

Bold print indicates unison reading.

† You are invited to stand as you are able in your body or soul.