

March 31, 2024
Easter Sunday

**Wandering
Heart** *"And I hope"*



8:00 AM



*We exist to connect all people with Jesus Christ.
We do this by welcoming enthusiastically,
growing deeply and serving courageously.*

☺ Welcome ☺

Children of all ages and their rustling are welcome in our worship services.

Worship activity packets are available at the Chapel door.

Nursery care is available in Whittler Treehouse during this service.

PRELUDE “Hymns of the Cross” (arr Phillip Keveren)

Ann Merrifield

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastors Daniel & Jewell

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Yesterday we thought death had won.
Yesterday we thought all was lost.
Yesterday we thought Christ was gone.

But not today.

Today we know that love has won.

Today we know that hope is real.

Today we know that Christ is here.

We have a reason to hope.

We have a reason to sing!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Christ is risen today.

+OPENING HYMN UMH 302 “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” (vss 1-4)

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We may weep through the longest nights. We may stare at the empty tomb with more questions than answers. We may run our fingers over the burial cloths and still long for more. But today, we are a people of hope.

We believe in new beginnings. We believe that the God who created the world is stronger than death. We believe that Jesus abides among us, healing, teaching, and leaving fingerprints throughout this world.

We believe that a tomb could not hold him. We believe that the sun does rise. We believe that Peter was there with questions, awe, and faith the size of a mustard seed.

We believe that the story is not over yet, for God is among us. Today we are a people of hope.

JOYS & CONCERNS

SPECIAL MUSIC “In This Very Room” (Ron and Carole Harris) Ann and Sarah Merrifield

TIME OF 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.**

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 24:1-12

Holy Spirit, as we have read this Scripture in our community,
humbly interpreting through Reason, varied Experience and Tradition,
bless our hearing and understanding.

May our listening be done with love.

MESSAGE “Wandering Heart: And I Hope”

Pastor Daniel

OFFERING “Were You There” (arr. Phillip Keveren)

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+DOXOLOGY UMH 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+CLOSING HYMN UMH 364 “Because He Lives”

+BENEDICTION

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PASTOR EXCHANGE



Rev. Daniel Hilty
Sunday, April 7
Will be preaching at
Washington Metropolitan A.M.E.
Zion Church in St. Louis, MO
at 10 AM

Rev. Dr. Anthony Witherspoon
Sunday, April 14
Will be preaching at
Missouri United Methodist Church
at the 11 AM service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUMC Offices closed | Monday, April 1

Saturday Morning Breakfast Café | Saturdays in April (6, 13, 20, 27)

MUMC will be serving again at SMBC starting in April. This year, SMBC is at Room at the Inn. We need eight volunteers on Saturdays in April and June from 7:00 - 9:00 AM. Use QR code to sign up.



Habitat for Humanity - Garage Sale | April 6 @ 8AM-2PM

Support this fundraising effort for Habitat for Humanity. This garage sale will be held at Broadway Christian Church on Saturday. Keep your eyes open for summer build opportunities coming soon.

Old T-Shirt Drive | Collection in the Connector

MUMC Green Samaritans are collecting used T-shirts for a community EarthDay project. Each T-shirt will be cut and converted into a reusable bag, perfect for produce shopping to reduce those single use plastics!

Festival of Sharing | RECORD donations!

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the Festival of Sharing fund in February. We are anticipating purchasing enough supplies for 920 Student Dental Packs. This surpasses the previous record of 524 packs donated in 2022.

For this week's event calendar, visit moumc.org/calendar.

Submit your connect card and share prayer concerns at moumc.org/comm-card.

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