March 31, 2024 Easter Sunday

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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. Activity packets are available at the entrances. Nursery care and Children's Sunday School are located in Whittler Treehouse.

PRELUDE "Hail the Day that See Him Rise" (R. Williams, arr. Dan Forrest)

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.

Rev. Kim Jenne

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

TIME OF PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Toccata on *Thine Is the Glory*" (Paul Fey)

To e-give, text "MOUMC" to 73256 or give online using the QR code below.

+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"

+INVITATION AND BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE "Hallelujah Chorus from *Messiah*" (Handel)





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.



PASTOR EXCHANGE

Rev. Daniel Hilty

Sunday, April 7

Will be preaching at

at 10 AM

Rev. Dr. Anthony Witherspoor

Sunday, April 14

Will be preaching at

Missouri United Methodist Church

at the 11 AM service

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 opportunites 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 <u>moumc.org/comm-card.</u>

CONNECT WITH US!

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