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## Jerseyville United Methodist Church

Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

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Noon, April 21, 2024 The Fourth Sunday of Easter

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❖ = *Those who are comfortable standing, please rise*

Meditation: “Daniel answered the king and said, “No wise men, enchanters, magicians, or astrologers can show to the king the mystery that the king has asked, but there is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries, and he has made known to King Nebuchadnezzar what will be in the latter days.”  
Daniel 2:27-28a ESV

Prelude: ..... An original tune by Betty Murad

❖ Call to Worship The 2024 Abingdon Worship Annual  
Leader: *It is good for God’s people to gather together in unity.*

**People: We are here at the invitation of God.**  
Leader: *In this place, God’s love and grace flow into our lives.*

**People: In this place, God’s blessings abound.**  
Leader: *Praise be to God!*  
People: *Praise be to God!*

❖ Hymn ..... #496 “Sweet Hour of Prayer”

Opening Prayer The 2024 Abingdon Worship Annual  
Holy One, we gather with grateful hearts to remember the blessings of your light and love as they flow through our lives each day. In this moment, open our hearts to your Holy Spirit. Open our minds to the truths of your story.

Open our hands to welcome the risen Christ among us. And open our eyes to your glory— a glory reflected in the faces around us. In the name of the risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

### Offering God’s Tithes and Our Gifts

❖ Doxology ..... #95

❖ Prayer of Dedication

### Prayers and Joys of the People of God

The Lord’s Prayer ..... #895

First Old Testament Reading: ..... Daniel 2:1-6;17-18

❖ Gospel Reading: ..... Matthew 21:33-44

❖ Hymn: ..... #110 “A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

Second Old Testament Reading: ..... Daniel 2:26-35

Sermon: ..... “A Revealer of Mysteries”

❖ Hymn: ..... #463 “Lord, Speak to Me”

❖ Benediction

❖ Congregational Response:  
#672 “God Be with You till We Meet Again”



**Fellowship** - Please join us for our next fellowship lunch at Noon on Thursday, May 9. This month we are going to JB's Diner on Route 33 in Farmingdale

**Help EHAP** - Please help EHAP expand the Advocacy Center in Freehold. [www.ehapinc.org/donate](http://www.ehapinc.org/donate)

**RISE Against Hunger** - The Churches of the Freehold Clergy Association will be gathering to pack meals at First UM Church, Freehold on May 5 from 2 until 4:30 pm. To volunteer: [www.shaariemeth.org/event/rise](http://www.shaariemeth.org/event/rise)

**Church Council Meets** - Church leaders will meet after worship, at about 1 pm, today

**Bible Study** - Our Adult Bible Study meets every Thursday, at 10 am, for a study on the book of Revelation. Visitors or new members are always welcomed. Study books are provided. We meet on Zoom. Use your Zoom app or dial in with (929) 205-6099; Meeting ID: 830 3849 9190. More information? Please speak to our pastor.

**Worship on Zoom** - Use your Zoom app or Call (929) 205 6099 Both have the same Meeting ID: 822 2530 1496. If you would like to receive the order of worship ahead of time, please visit our website. Sermons are also available by mail, or on our website

**Sermons by Mail** - A subscription to our weekly sermon is available. Each week a paper copy of the Sunday message will arrive in the mail. It's Free! Just ask Pastor Ray to be added to the list. Emailed copy available too

