

Fairview United Methodist Church

April 21, 2024



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FAIRVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

11:00 A.M.

*Please rise as you are able or in your hearts

**Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for
worship.

**PRELUDE

WELCOME AND WORDS OF COMMUNITY

*CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Come, walk with the Lord this day.

PEOPLE: We seek places of peace and rest from the stresses of our lives.

LEADER: The Shepherd will lead you to places where your soul may be restored.

PEOPLE: We come, sometimes fearful of the hostilities of the world.

LEADER: In the midst of all the turmoil, The Shepherd will provide for your needs abundantly.

PEOPLE: Surely these wonders will heal and restore our spirits.

ALL: AMEN.

*GATHERING HYMN

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

UMH # 189

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

“An Easter Creed”

*I believe in the God of Easter morning
Who awakes us from our darkest dreams
And leads us into the light of a new day,
Who meets our pessimism
With stunning hope
Of angelic proclamation.
I believe in the God of Easter Day
Who beats us to the obstacles in our lives
And empties the dark tomb for us;
Who appears in surprising ways
When we least expect it;
Walking with us*

*On our detours.
I believe in the God of Easter evening
Who breaks into our closets and prisons,
Bringing peace and crushing our fear.
I believe in the risen Lord who meets us
with wounds on his hands and feet;
Who grants us his spirit,
Sending us out
To bring Shalom to the world. Amen.*

***GLORIA PATRI
CHOIR ANTHEM**

“Glory Be to the Father”
“Somebody’s Knocking”

UMH # 70
James E. Clemens
Chancel Choir

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

PRAYER CHORUS

“He is Lord”

UMH # 177

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: God of many pastures, we never tire of hearing the voice of our shepherd; we never tire of hearing the call to lay our burdens down; we never tire of hearing the invitation to dwell in your house forever. Forgive us, loving shepherd, when we try to keep you as our own—thinking that we alone have your love, thinking that others wander alone without your care and guidance. Open our eyes, that we may recognize the sheep of your fold wherever they may be and whatever they may look like. Amen.

PRAYERS OF PETITION

After each petition, we enter into the prayer together with these words:

PASTOR: Lord in Your mercy,

PEOPLE: Hear our 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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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.

***HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**

“Jesus, Name Above All Names” TFWS # 2071

***SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Acts 3:11-19

SERMON

Faith That Makes Us Strong

Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH # 94

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***SENDING HYMN**

“Victory in Jesus”

UMH # 370

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

ALTAR FLOWERS: *Today’s altar flowers are given in loving memory of Richard Thompson by the Thompson family.*

ACTIVITIES - APRIL 22 - APRIL 28

Monday, April 22

Pantry 9:00 A.M.
UWIF Meeting 1:30 P.M.

Wednesday, April 24

Renewal Hour 3:30 P.M.
Pantry 6:00 P.M.

Thursday, April 25

Food Truck Delivery 11:00 A.M.
Chancel Choir 7:15 P.M.

Friday, April 25

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

Sunday, April 28

Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Worship Service 11:00 A.M.

Pastor

Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

Administrative Assistant

Carol McDougale

Director of Music

Carol Chatfield

Church Musician

Michele Delduca

Treasurer

Fred Poland

Pantry Resource Coordinator

Donna McCoy

Audio Visual Technician

Roger Christian

Toddler Room Attendant

Oscar Ndayisaba

Building Maintenance

Nelson Clair

TODAY'S SERVANT LEADERS

Worship Leader

Florence Carwell

Greeter

Shirley McBride

Trustee

Fred Poland

Toddler Room Assistant

Kathy Schaefer

VAN DRIVER FOR APRIL 28

Van Request: Greg -- 937- 620-1472

To ride the van, you must make your request the day before or you will not be picked up!

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Acts 8:26-40

Ps 22:25-31

1 John 4:7-21

John 15:1-8

FOOD PANTRY TRUCK DELIVERY

Food Pantry truck delivery will be on Thursday, April 25, at 11:00 A.M. Volunteers are needed to help unload & restock.

PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer ministry after worship each Sunday.

For those who have special prayer requests, please see someone from the Prayer Ministry in the Narthex.