Preludes:

"Strong" "Faithful God" "Graves Into Gardens"

<u>Welcome</u>

Call to Worship:

God calls us to pay attention:

the earth groans, the seas rage, the birds cry out.

Creation bears witness! Humanity has not cared for our home as God intended.

Creation, God hears your cries.

We gather, and God calls us to accountability.

Lord of all, open our hearts,

that we may hear the sermon creation is preaching.

Opening Prayer:

Holy Spirit, we hear the cry of your world and the brokenness of humanity. The needs are great, and the burdens seem heavy. Grant us hope for the work of healing. Help us to listen for how we can be a part of your change and restoration in creation. Amen.

*Song of Praise	"Shout To The Lord!"	
<u>Children's Message</u>	"New Life"	
Joys and Concerns Prayers for the People The Lord's Prayer *GLORIA PATRI		

UMH 70

Choir Selection

"In His Love"

New Testament Lesson: Romans 8:19-25 Reader: The word of God, For the people of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

<u>The Offertory</u> *DOXOLOGY *PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

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Holy Spirit who groans with the earth and with us, receive our offering today and do with it what you will. We trust you to work all things together for good. Show us how to be a part of your amazing, repairing and redeeming work. Amen.

<u>*Hymn</u>	"A Spirit Of The Living God"	UMH 393
<u>Message:</u>	A New Creation An Easter Worship Series Week 4 "Facing Creation's Brokenness"	
Music Ministry	"New Wine"	
<u>*Hymn</u>	"Here I Am, Lord"	UMH 593
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Postlude:

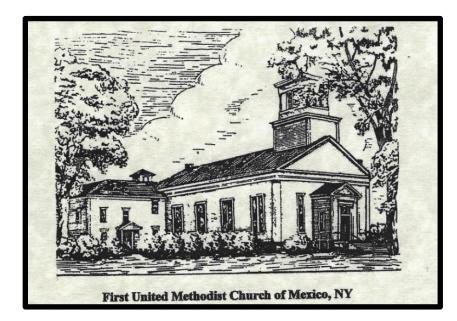
"22 We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. 23 Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. 24 For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? 25 But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently"

~Romans 8:22-25~

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