

First United Methodist Church

April 5, 2026

7:00 AM

Easter Sunrise Service



ORDER OF WORSHIP

✠ *Please stand as you are able*

WELCOME

Rev. Chris Black

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Out of the darkness of grief and despair comes a message of hope.

Christ is risen!

P: Christ is risen, indeed!

L: We run to the tomb to see for ourselves. And it is true. Christ is risen.

P: Christ is risen, indeed!

L: We hear a voice call our name, and we know our risen Lord is with us now and always.

P: Christ is risen. Christ is risen, indeed! Thanks be to God.

✠ HYMN

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" (v. 1-4)

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✠ OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, through Jesus Christ you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. Grant that we, who celebrate this day of our Lord's resurrection, may, by the renewing of your Spirit arise from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 10: 34-43

✠ HYMN

"O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing" (v. 1-5)

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MEDITATION

COMMUNION

...Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight
in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.
silence for personal confession

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.
P: **And also with you.**
L: Lift up your hearts.
P: **We lift them up to the Lord.**
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
P: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join in the unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

...in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died;
Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.**

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.**

SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP

GENERAL THANKSGIVING

**Lord our God, we give thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

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✠ BENEDICTION