

Announcements

Easter Invitation

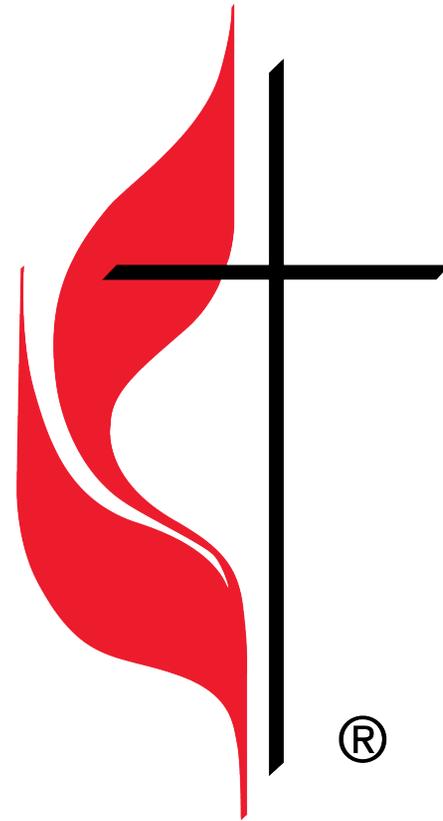
We are doing an Easter invitation campaign. We have a banner up, invitation cards out, postcards coming, and a Facebook Ad. Our hope is that a neighbor feeling a tug about faith community might feel welcome to come and worship. The best invitation is from someone a person knows. Please use these tools to invite someone in your life to join our Easter celebration.

UCSB Choir Visits Today

We are welcoming the UCSB choir in our worship this morning. Following worship we will host them for a potluck luncheon. They will perform a concert at 1:30 PM. Please join us in welcoming these 30 students to our community.

Holy Week Worship

Quite a bit happens between Palm Sunday and Easter Morning. We will hold worship services on Maundy Thursday (April 2nd at 7pm) and Good Friday (April 3rd at 7pm). Please note this on your calendar and be in prayer about participating. The depth of the Holy Week journey brings great power to the joy of Easter Sunday.



Eureka First United Methodist Church

*Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 22, 2026
10 am*

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Order of Worship

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell & Welcome

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Threshold Moment *Wilderness Wandering People*

Opening Prayer

**God our Rock,
be with us on The Way.
At times we are not sure how we will
carry the burdens of grief and disappointment
that accumulate in life.
We come asking for help
in lightening the load
so that we can be free to move in new directions.
Help us to help each other as Jesus asks us to do.
Amen.**

Hymns *My Hope is Built* # 368
 This Is a Day of New Beginnings # 383

*Passing the Peace of Christ

UCSB Choir *Let My Love Be Heard by Jake Runestad*
 Unclouded Day arr. by Shawn Kirchner

Time for Children

Scripture Reading Isaiah 43: 16-19

Song *Change My Heart, O Go*

Second Reading Philippians 3: 12-14

Message “The Free Way” Rev. Dr. Amy Beth

Song *Take My Life and Let It Be*

Prayers of the People

Prayers for Getting Out of Our Own Way
Stillness

Offertory

*Doxology # 94

The Lord’s Supper
Come to Us
The Lord’s Prayer

Communion Song *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*

*Circle Song: *I’ve Got Peace Like a River*

*Benediction

*Sending Forth *Glorify Thy Name*

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*There are supplies for kids at a table in the side chapel.
Bathrooms are off the hallway just outside the side chapel.*