

**May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**The Third Sunday in Easter**

Preludes: “My Jesus”, “Rise Up”, “Evidence”

Welcome

Call to Worship:

L: Our long journey through the darkness is over!

**P: We have danced into the light of Jesus’ resurrection!**

L: No more do we need to fear!

**P: No more will we feel that we are alone and lost!**

L: Jesus lives in our hearts and our spirits!

**P: Jesus calls us to be a source of hope and joy for others!**

L: Alleluia!

**P: Alleluia!**

Opening Prayer:

**Loving, Powerful God, joy floods over our souls on this day! Christ is risen! Fear is vanquished! Open our hearts and our spirits to receive fully the joy which has been given for us! Let us celebrate the victory of Christ and the hope for the future! Amen**

\*Song of Praise

“Lord I Need You”

Children’s Message

“In Remembrance of Me”

Joys and Concerns

Prayers for the People

\*GLORIA PATRI

UMH 70

Choir Selection

“Arise, Shine”

New Testament Lesson(s): 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Reader: The word of God, For the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

The Offertory

\*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

**Heavenly Father, we give thanks for the powerful gospel that has been proclaimed, especially the truth of Christ's resurrection. As we gather to offer our gifts, may we be reminded that this resurrection is not just a historical event, but a living reality that transforms our lives. Help us to live in a way that reflects the hope and power of the resurrection. May we be bold in proclaiming this good news to others and may your church be empowered to share the gospel with the world. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen**

\*Hymn

“I’ll Fly Away

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Message:

Third Sunday in Easter  
“How Does Jesus Appear to You”

Music Ministry

“There Was Jesus”

Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer

\*Hymn

“Amazing Grace-My Chains Are Gone”

Benediction and Goin Forth:

*“<sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. <sup>11</sup> Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.”*

*~1 Corinthians 15:1-11~*

**“Making Disciples of  
Jesus Christ for the  
transformation of the  
world.”**

# **First United Methodist Church**

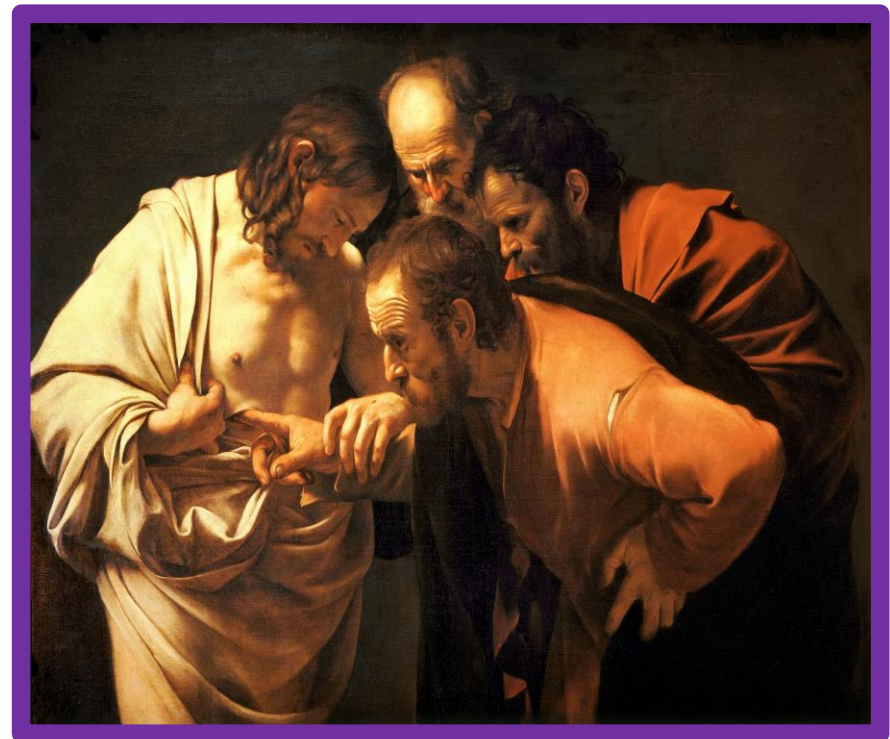
**Mexico, New York**

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**“All are welcome,  
none are turned away!”**



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