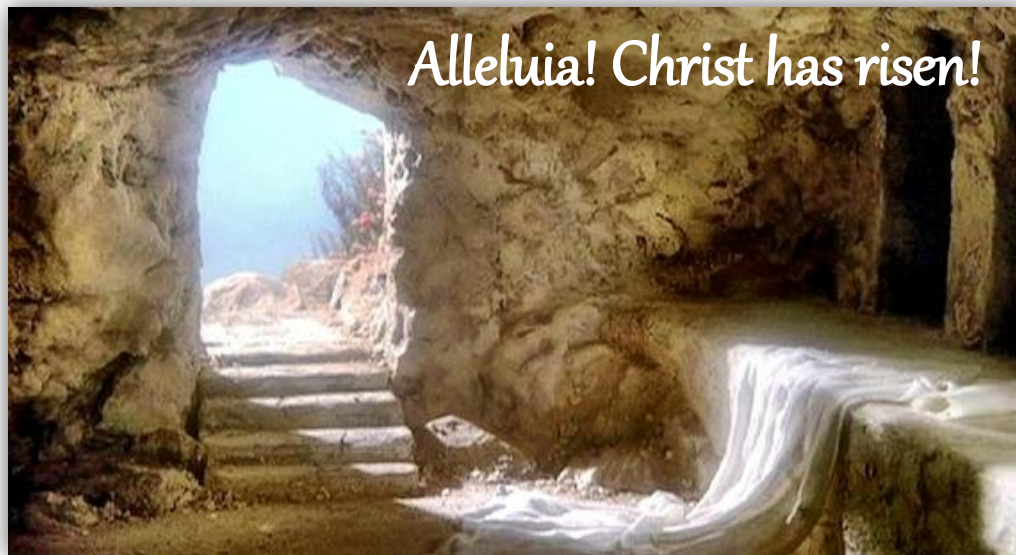


UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Easter Day | April 12, 2020 | 10:30 a.m.
Pastor - Reverend Michelle Mejia



Easter Sunday

WE GATHER FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE

Gathering Music

In the Garden
Julie Ponting – Oboe

UMH #314

Welcome Message

Pastor Michelle Mejia

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

Easter Greetings

Check out our greetings from members of our community...

Easter Proclamation of Good News

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.
Christ is risen.

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

Opening Prayer

Leader: God of resurrection and new life,
We remember as the first Easter morning began
People were afraid, Disciples were hiding behind closed doors
Unsure if it was safe to come out,

And there was a lot of grief to go around.
This year on Easter morning,
People are afraid,
They are staying home if at all possible
To keep others safe and alive.
And there is also a lot of grief to go around.

People: Still, Easter comes.

Hope is on the horizon.

Life breaks through.

Resurrection is taking place,

And there are miracles in our midst.

Even with church buildings closed and pews empty,

The church is still the church and Jesus is still risen,

**Proving God's love is the most powerful force on earth,
and love still wins over death.**

Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!

Thanks be to God! Amen.

Hymn of Praise

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

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Verse 1: Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia! !

Verse 3: Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!

Verse 5: Hail the Lord of earth and heaven, Alleluia!
Praise to thee by both be given, Alleluia!
Thee we greet triumphant now, Alleluia!
Hail the Resurrection, thou, Alleluia!



Prayers

Music Ministry

Alleluia
Millicent Scarlett, Soprano

Mozart

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

**God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul.
Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding
that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen**



Scripture

John 20: 1-18

NRS

20 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look^[a] into the tomb; ¹² and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew,^[b] “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God. **All: Thanks be to God.**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Giving of our Gifts *If you haven't already done so, we hope you'll share your gifts.

Music Ministry

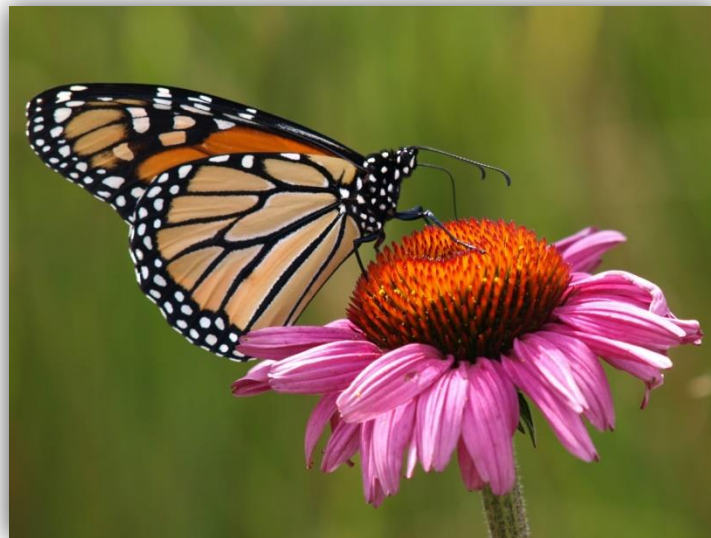
Crown Him with Many Crowns
Abbie Miller - Flute

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Doxology²

UMH #94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**



Hymn of Service³

He Lives

UMH #310

Verse 1: I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today;
 I know that He is living whatever men may say;
 I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer,
 And just the time I need Him, He's always near.

Refrain: He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
 He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
 He lives, He lives, Salvation to impart!
 You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.

Verse 2: In all the world around me I see His loving care,
And tho' my heart grows weary I never will despair;
I know that He is leading thro' all the stormy blast,
The day of His appearing will come at last.

Refrain: He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, Salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart

Passing of the Peace

Blessing

Postlude

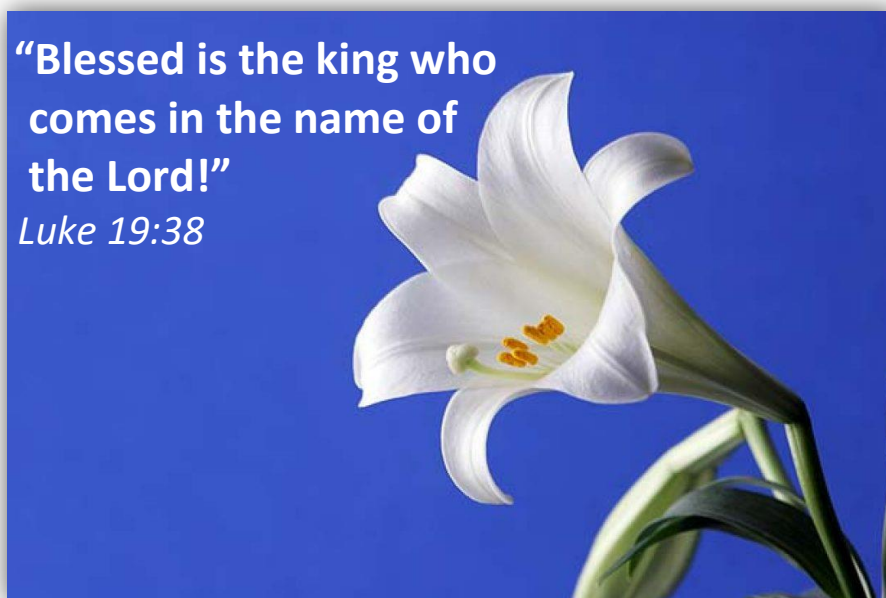
Shalom to You

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**To share your offering, you may use this link: <https://www.uumcp.org/electronic-giving>*

Another option is to mail your offering to the church office:

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Palm Sunday Doors

Janis S.



Frances



Mejia Family



Mejia Family



Howard



Donna H.



Letsome Family



Carla



Alice



Janis P.



Frances and David





Announcements – April 12, 2020

SPREAD THE WORD Let your friends, family, and coworkers know that we are offering live streamed services on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. The service can be accessed through our website: www.uumcp.org

CLOSED DOORS Our building is closed until further notice. Instead of stopping by, please call or email the church office if you need anything. office@uumcp.org

PRAYER LINE Perhaps you have heard that we have a “prayer line” for our church. What is it? It is a way of sharing prayer requests, joys, and concerns with others. When you post a request, you may be sure others are adding yours to their daily prayers. If you would like to be one who prays for others when requests are made, please contact the church office to be included in this google prayer group.

WEDNESDAY PRAYERS Join Pastor Michelle and members of your church family in a time of sharing prayers on Wednesdays at noon, via a conference call. The phone number will be emailed to you prior to the meeting time. If you attempted to join us last week, but had difficulties, please contact the church office. office@uumcp.org

HELP OFFER If you need help with anything – prayers, getting food or medicine, rides to a doctor, or... Please let the church office know. We will do our best to help you!

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