

11:00 a.m. Service

4th Sunday of Easter | April 21, 2024

Gathering for Praise

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

We gather as God's beloved children—

However glad we are, however out of sorts we are.

We come together as a people whom Jesus calls into community—

So this becomes a place where all are welcome.

We have come to give thanks, to pray and sing, to be with each other—

Let us worship God.

Choral Call to Worship

'Christ is Risen'

*Hymn of Praise

'Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise'

UMH 312

Psalter Reading

Psalms 4

UMH 741

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

The Pastoral Prayer

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

Children's Disciple Moment

The PrayerGround Table is for children 6 and younger to use during the sermon. Parents should sit near the table to assist.

Rhonda Gilliam

Anthem

'Slow Down'

Childs

*Please stand if you are able.

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal TFWS: The Faith We Sing Hymnal
One of the services is filmed weekly and streamed on Facebook and YouTube.

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:13-35

Louise Huff

*Hymn of Preparation

'Christ Is Alive'

UMH 318

Message

He Shows Up

Rev. Brian Gilmer

Responding to God's Word

*The Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic

*** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

Offertory

Meditation from Thais
Ginger Greer, violin

Massenet

Doxology

UMH 94

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Disciple of Jesus Christ as part of this congregation, please see Pastor Brian or Pastor Christine after the service. They would love to point you to some discipleship opportunities and ways to serve Christ here at TRUMC.

Going Forth to Serve God's World

*Hymn of Sending

'Great Is Thy Faithfulness'

UMH 140

Sending Forth

Jann Howell, Choir Director/Pianist Ginger Greer, Music Assistant

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*Song of Welcome 'Today is the Day' P.I Baloche, L. Brewster

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*Song of Praise 'Amazing Love' B. Foote

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Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading Luke 24:13-35 Tali Nance

*Song of Preparation 'My Savior, My God' A.Shust,D.Greenwell

Message Doubts and Faith Rev. Brian Gilmer

Upcoming Events & Announcements

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- **TRUMPETS** - April 21 & 28, 5pm in the Chapel
- **UMYF** - April 21, 5-6PM - Mr. Eddie's Salkehatchie Training

PB&J - Pickle Ball & Jesus - Thursday, April 25, 10am-Noon

All are welcome to join the fun at the PB&J Cafe and/or make a PB&J.

Committee on the Annual Conference Volunteers Needed

When: June 9-12 at the Greenville Convention Center

The Committee on the Annual Conference is actively seeking volunteers for a variety of positions throughout the convention. For more information, email [Chris Lynch](mailto:clynch@umcsc.org) at clynch@umcsc.org.

Eclipse Glasses Give Back

Please consider donating your gently-used solar glasses, which will be sent to schools in Latin America. A drop off basket is in the basket in the narthex.

VBS Volunteers & Donations Needed

Dates: Monday, June 24th - Thursday, June 27th from 6PM - 8PM

Volunteers - If you are interested in being a co-crew leader for the elementary boys and girls or a floater during VBS, please contact Ashley Gutschow Ashley@trmethodist.net or Stephanie Meek smeek23@bellsouth.net.

Donations

We are in need of artificial trees with or without lights to make our forest of trees in the sanctuary. Arrangements can be made for pick-up and return or you can drop it off at the church a few days prior to the start date. Kindly email Kimberly McMahon at kharb0515@gmail.com if you can assist!

A Special Thanks

Thank you to everyone who made our last Sunday on April 7th so special. The drawing of the church by Ashley Brickner will always have a special place in our living room as TRUMC has in our hearts. The love offering was very kind of you and we appreciate that as well. Thank you to the SPR committee, Rhonda Gilliam, and her crew for organizing the meal, the flowers, the set up, and clean up. Thank you to the prayer team for our special time at the altar rail during service. We appreciated the note cards read by our youth and the words of affirmation for the time that we have shared together. It was a beautiful day and we felt so loved and appreciated. We love our TRUMC church family.

Thank you and thanks be to God!

Pastor Christine, Kyle, Andy, Dominique, and Amelia

Trail Guide

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Message: He Shows Up

Scripture: Luke 24:13-35

13 On that same day, two disciples were traveling to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. 14 They were talking to each other about everything that had happened. 15 While they were discussing these things, Jesus himself arrived and joined them on their journey. 16 They were prevented from recognizing him. 17 He said to them, "What are you talking about as you walk along?" They stopped, their faces downcast. 18 The one named Cleopas replied, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who is unaware of the things that have taken place there over the last few days?" 19 He said to them, "What things?" They said to him, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth. Because of his powerful deeds and words, he was recognized by God and all the people as a prophet. 20 But our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him. 21 We had hoped he was the one who would redeem Israel. All these things happened three days ago. 22 But there's more: Some women from our group have left us stunned. They went to the tomb early this morning 23 and didn't find his body. They came to us saying that they had even seen a vision of angels who told them he is alive. 24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women said. They didn't see him." 25 Then Jesus said to them, "You foolish people! Your dull minds keep you from believing all that the prophets talked about. 26 Wasn't it necessary for the Christ to suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" 27 Then he interpreted for them the things written about himself in all the scriptures, starting with Moses and going through all the Prophets. 28 When they came to Emmaus, he acted as if he was going on ahead. 29 But they urged him, saying, "Stay with us. It's nearly evening, and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. 30 After he took his seat at the table with them, he took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31 Their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he disappeared from their sight. 32 They said to each other, "Weren't our hearts on fire when he spoke to us along the road and when he explained the scriptures for us?" 33 They got up right then and returned to Jerusalem. They found the eleven and their companions gathered together. 34 They were saying to each other, "The Lord really has risen! He appeared to Simon!" 35 Then the two disciples described what had happened along the road and how Jesus was made known to them as he broke the bread.

Next Steps for the Journey

- How are your expectations of the Christian life sometimes changed by life's trials?
- When have you been guilty of unbelief?
- Why are we so often "slow of heart to believe"?
- What do you think prevents people from believing in Jesus?
- What great truths has God taught you that you failed to understand at first?
- In what ways has God clearly spoken to you?
- What could you do this week to make yourself more sensitive to the Lord's leading in your life?
- What could you do in the future to prevent yourself from failing to recognize God's voice?

Prayer for this Week's Walk

Almighty Father, in your great mercy you gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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The Church on the Trail

Walking with Christ, Serving God, Changing Lives.

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