

Reynolds United Methodist Church
April 23, 2023 – 3rd Sunday of Eastertide

Gathering

Greeting & Words of Welcome & Centering
Processional

“From All That Dwells”

Announcements (See below)

The All Church Memory Verse of the Month: Matthew 11:28-29

²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls Matthew 11: 28-29

Opening Praise “Christ is Risen” ~ Matt Maher

Call to Worship (Call & Response)

Leader: God has called us together to this time of worship; He will listen to our thoughts and to our words.

People: God indeed hears us and knows us better than we know ourselves.

Leader: Let us open our hearts and minds to God and set our faith and hope upon Him.

People: Together we renew our vows and offer our devotion and service.

Leader: God’s promises are here for us now and will go with us into the future.

People: Together we will lift our voices in praise as we recognize that we are precious in God’ sight.

Union Prayer

Wonderous God, you are with us in all times and places, and value us even when we do not care for ourselves. You have planted the seeds of your love within our hearts and have enabled us to recognize your presence. Empower us to recognize your voice, feel your touch, and know the warmth of your spirit in our hearts. Grant that we might recognize you in our relationships with one another, and in the beauty of this spring season. Transform our thoughts and our actions as we worship you in this hour. AMEN

Praise Song “How Can I Keep Singing” ~ Chris Toi

Proclamation and Response

Scripture Lesson John 20:19-23 (page 1686 in pew Bible)

Children’s Moment Kathy Becker

Message “EASTER EVENING.” Pastor Glen Stewart

Ruled by Fear

Thanksgiving

Testimony to Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Offertory

The Doxology

“Graves Into Gardens

UMH 95

Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

Thank you, God, for the privilege of helping to proclaim Christ’s love to all people. May the ministries we support help to unite people and reach out into the world with healing energy. Bless these gifts, and all who give them. May we each be faithful agents, advancing your love and care. AMEN

Sending Forth

Sending Song

“Give Me Jesus” ~ Moriah Peters

Benediction

Recessional

“We’ve a Story to Tell the Nations”

CHURCH CALENDAR

Saturday April 29 – Men’s Breakfast 8:00 am Huddle

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The mission of the month for April is Mujila Falls Agriculture Research Center in Zambia. Addressing hunger and poverty with sustainable agriculture and leadership training in extreme North West Zambia is their focus. There they are working with the Lunda people to increase protein, minerals and vitamins in the diet to reduce the high infant mortality rates and the low life expectancy. They are also working to increase family incomes by becoming more effective and efficient farmers. The long-term impact is to help to make the Lunda farmers and their families competitive in agriculture pursuits that are favored by the high rainfall and abundant land that is available for them. These include milk, fruit, and meat production, gardening, and field crops. As their incomes improve, their standard of living will improve and they can better afford the costs of education.

Please make checks payable to "Reynolds Church" with Mujila Falls or “M.O.M.” in the memo line and drop your donation any Sunday or mail to Penny Bennett.

Thank you. Missions Team

Submit items for the Newsletter to the Church office by April 24th

Serving This Sunday, April 23

Organist: Bev Kearns

Ushers for this week: Volunteers needed

Greeters: TBD

Liturgist: Volunteer needed

Youth Moment: Kathy Becker

Children's Church Teacher: Rhonda Brown

Children's Church Shepherd: Volunteer needed

Communion Steward for April: Kathy Becker

Church Hostess for April: Contact Kathy Becker

Coffee Fellowship Time: Judy Light

Plowing/shoveling snow: Service Opportunity Available

Serving Next Sunday, April 30

Organist: Bev Kearns

Ushers for this week: Volunteers needed

Greeters: TBD

Liturgist: Volunteer needed

Youth Moment: Pastor Glen Stewart

Children's Church Teacher: Summer break, Children stay in church

Children's Church Shepherd: Summer break, Children stay in church

Communion Steward for April: Kathy Becker

Church Hostess for April: Contact Kathy Becker

Coffee Fellowship Time: Karen & Denny Yocum

Plowing/shoveling snow: Service Opportunity Available

Offering for:

Church Fund: \$812.00

Flowers \$20.00

Sunday School \$10.00

Fellowship \$5.00



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