## ~ Welcome ~

March 31, 2024 10:30am

Easter Sunday

Prelude "The Risen Christ" with "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

Arr. By: Carol Tournquist, Trumpet: Sam Piehl

Welcome & Announcements

\*Opening Hymn "Up from the Grave He Arose"

UMH No. 322

\*Call To Worship

Leader: Out of the darkness of grief and despair comes a message of hope. Christ is

risen.

People: Christ is risen, indeed.

Leader: We run to the tomb to see for ourselves. And it is true. Christ is risen.

People: Christ is risen, indeed.

Leader: We hear a voice call our name, and we know our risen Lord is with us now

and always.

People: Christ is risen. Christ is risen, indeed.

Leader: Thanks be to God.

\*Opening Prayer

God of life, through Jesus Christ you have bestowed upon the world the light of life. Sanctify this new fire, and grant that our hearts and minds may also be kindled with holy desire to shine forth with the brightness of Christ's rising, that we may attain to the feast of everlasting light; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn of Praise "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" UMH No. 304

Children's Time "Easter Egg-citement" Pastor Jane At the conclusion of Children's Time all children age 4 through 5th grades are invited to go with the teachers for Sunday School.

Prayers of the People

Sharing our Joys & Concerns Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

\*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!

Prayer for Illumination

All: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Sue Kelly

Acts 10:34-43 p. 1014 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 p. 1062 John 20:1-18 p. 1000

Message "The Great Reunion: A Festival of Friends"

Pastor Jane Piehl

Moment of Reflection

Offering "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

By: George J. Elvey

\*Doxology

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\*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all Creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

\*Closing Hymn

"He Lives"

UMH No. 310

\*Benediction

Postlude "The Strife Is O'er, The Battle Done"

Arr. By: Cindy Berry

\*Indicates congregation to stand

| Pastor Ja<br>Millie Fra |            | Pastor<br>Music Director                      |  |  |
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|                         |            | This Week                                     |  |  |
| Mon                     | <b>7</b> p | Grief Group                                   |  |  |
| Tues                    | 7p         | God of Freedom Study on Exodus Chapters 19-40 |  |  |
| Weds                    | 7p         | Ukulele class                                 |  |  |
|                         |            | Upcoming Events                               |  |  |
| 4/20                    | 8:30a      | Habitat for Humanity Build Project            |  |  |
| 5/27                    | 7a-11a     | Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast                |  |  |
|                         |            | ANNOUNCEMENTS                                 |  |  |

- -Starting on April 2nd a study on Exodus Chapters 19-40 will begin. This will be a 10 week study on Tuesday evening from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. The study is entitled God of Freedom and Jan Wilkin will present the video portion of the study.
- Grief Group session continues through April 15. It is lead by John & Lori Weiss. It will take place at 7pm on Monday evenings in the Conference Room.
- -On April 3 at 7pm a beginner Ukulele class lead by Dave Piehl will be held and last til May 8. On May 12 the group will be invited to play during the church service. Ukuleles will be available for use if you don't have your own.
- -April 20 we invite people to participate in a Habitat for Humanity building project at 8:30am at Lafayette UMC (6201 Lafayette Rd Medina, OH) Several Medina County churches will be participating.
- -On May 27 from 7a-11a we will have our annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast! Contact Bob Mravetz if you can help. Meal is by donation and all proceeds support local charities.

## Welcome to Sharon Center United Methodist Church!



If you are visiting with us for the first time, we are glad you are here! Please join us in our activities and gatherings and if you have a question, just ask, and come back again soon!

At Sharon Center UMC we are committed to building relationships with Jesus Christ. For families of all ages, this is a great community to join as you grow in your relationship with God and with others.

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