

11:00 AM WORSHIP

Fourth Sunday of Easter — Earth Day — April 22, 2018

Entrance

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

RINGING THE CHURCH BELL

GREETING †

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

***PRAISE RESPONSE**

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you! My heart knows how to say to you: You are holy Lord!

PRELUDE

“Our Great Savior”

Arr. by Cindy Berry

Bryan Heller, Pianist

***CALL TO WORSHIP †**

Leader: Today, in this moment, Jesus calls us to remember our baptism:

People: **We remember who Christ is and who we are in Christ.**

Leader: We are called to remember where Christ is,

People: **And to remember where we are heading in the Kingdom here today;**

Leader: To remember what Christ is doing in the world;

People: **And to remember the ministries we share as His disciples**

Leader: To remember that all time and change is within the Great “I Am.” We gather to pray that God’s Kingdom will come on earth as it is in heaven; And to prayerfully recall why Christ came and is still with us through the Holy Spirit, and is still calling us

People: **To make disciples of all nations, starting in our community, to teach them the ways of Christ, and to baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son, and Spirit.**

OPENING PRAYER †

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

vs 1,2,4 & 6 UMH 154

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

CHILDREN’S WELCOME SONG (11:00)

(Children are invited to the front of the church for the Children’s Moment as we sing:)

“Where Children Belong”

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God’s Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

THE CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Betty Morris

Proclamation and Response

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING †

Hebrews 9:11-15

***AFFIRMATION †**

A Modern Affirmation

UMH 885

Leader: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:

All: We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power, and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children’s good. We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father’s unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death. We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need. We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. 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.

ANTHEM

“Via Dolorosa”

Arr. by Tom Fettke

Chancel Choir

PRAYERS ANSWERED, PRAYERS REQUESTED

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. *Choral Response (11:00)*

PRAISING GOD THROUGH OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS †

OFFERTORY “Tell Me the Story of Jesus” Arr. by Anthony Burger

***DOXOLOGY**

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 up-lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Father, open our hearts and minds through 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.

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Richelle Sampl

Trinity Series: “Jesus: God the Son”

*John 17:1-5, 11, 20-26

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER TO THE TRINITY

Father, almighty, maker of heaven and earth: Set up your kingdom in our midst. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God: Have mercy on me, a sinner. Holy Spirit, breath of the living God: Renew me and all the world. Amen.

Sending Forth

***CLOSING HYMN**

“He Is Lord”

UMH 177

***BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

“Christ Beside Me”

Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me—King of my heart; Christ within me, Christ below me, Christ above me—never to part.

***POSTLUDE**

“O Worship the King”

Arr. by Cindy Berry

“And Now Our Service Begins”

***Please stand as you are able**

†Led by Lay Reader

Hebrews 9:11-15 † (NRSV)

¹¹ But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), ¹² he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. ¹³ For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, ¹⁴ how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God! ¹⁵ For this reason he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, because a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions under the first covenant.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

John 17:1-5, 11, 20-26 (NRSV)

Jesus Prays for His Disciples

¹ After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

¹¹ And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

²⁰ “I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵ “Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

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Opportunities for Spiritual Growth

Membership

If you would like to become a member, contact Pastor Richelle at the church office at (828) 743-5298 or at csampl@wncumc.net.

- Affiliate Member - A member who chooses to retain his/her membership in one UMC while, at the same time, is a member of another UMC
- Associate Member - A member of another denomination while, at the same time, is a member of the UMC
- Full Professing Member - A professing member of the UMC
- Baptized Member - A member baptized but not yet confirmed, usually due to his/her young age. The confirmation process begins as early as 10 years old.
- Professing Member - Baptized and confirmed member of the UMC
- Constituent - Attends the UMC frequently but has not yet joined as a member

Truth Seekers Sunday School Class - This adult class for couples and singles, led by David Wansley, meets at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday in the first room on the right in the education wing. Our theme for Bible study through May is "Acknowledging God" with scriptures from the Old and New Testaments. Discussions will encourage us to confront and wrestle with our questions, doubts and fears. The goal is to acknowledge and trust God who provides, who is able, who is enough, who has no equal, who ... (your description).

Godly Play, children's interactive worship and Bible stories, is our Children's Church curriculum. Through storytelling, parables, and liturgical actions, the children enter into Bible stories on a personal level. Children's Church is offered during the 11:00 a.m. Sunday morning worship service following the Children's Moment.

On Sundays, childcare is available for infants through three-year old children **from 9:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.**

Hearing Aid Loop - Our audio-visual system includes a hearing aid inductive loop system in the Sanctuary. The only requirement for listeners is that they wear a hearing aid equipped with a telecoil *and* that the telecoil be turned on after being appropriately set. A telecoil is included on most new hearing aids to enable inductive pickup of the telephone receiver.

Earphones are also available for anyone who would like to use them. Please see an usher for assistance.

Worship Flowers for Our Sanctuary - Providing worship flowers is a great way to remember a special birthday, an anniversary, loved one or special event. **Sign up now on the 2018 Flower Calendar** in the Commons while dates are still available, or contact Jan in the church office at 828-743-5298 or at cumcsecretary1@gmail.com. Please indicate if you will be bringing the arrangement, or if Jeanne Fertig, Fiddleheads, or Katie at Ingles will create it. If your flowers are in your own vase, you may take them home with you on Sunday or you may pick them up on Monday. If another vase is used, please disassemble and take the flowers you want.



Worship Leadership

	<u>April 22</u>	<u>April 29</u>
<u>Lay Reader</u>	Josh Helms	David Wansley
<u>Ushers</u>	Bob Reed Melissa Reed	Beth Holloway Amanda Kuipers
<u>Audio/Visual</u>	Barry Caponi	Marty Jones
<u>Acolyte</u>	Hope Ward	Amber Ward
<u>Children's Church</u>	Diana Parker Laura Plush	Diana Parker Malinda Holley
<u>Coffee in the Commons</u>	Michelle Hammons	Libby Jones

Our Stewardship

As United Methodists, we vow to be faithful to God and Christ's church with our time, talent, gifts, service, and witness.

Worship Attendance Last Sunday: 11:00 a.m. - 62

Discipleship Groups

Wednesday Bible Study: 27 Women's Bible Study: 7
Men's Emmaus: 7 Women's Emmaus: 11
Choir: 18 Kreative Kidz Zone: Kids/17 Adults/7
MMO: 17 Youth: 7 Adult Sunday School: 12

Financial Update

	<u>April</u> <u>Thru 4/17</u>	<u>Actual YTD</u> <u>as of 3/28/18</u>	<u>Budget YTD</u> <u>3/28/18</u>
Total Income:	\$19,562	\$63,726*	\$93,250
Total Expenses:		\$91,452	\$93,250
Net:		(\$27,726)	

*Includes \$15,662 of prepaid pledges

Budgeted expenses for April are \$47,094

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A Stephen Ministry Congregation

MINISTRY TEAM

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Cashiers United Methodist Church



By the Grace of God and the leading of the Holy Spirit, we are working together to know, love, serve, and share Christ with our community and the world.

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