

Faith Community United Methodist Church

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Sunday, April 21, 2019 Easter Sunday

10:00 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

PRELUDE

Keith Harmon

GREETING & VISITOR WELCOME

Cheryl Simmons-Brown

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

Let us give thanks for the mighty power God has demonstrated in raising Christ from the grave!

All: Praise to God the father, and to Christ the son, our risen Lord, and to the Holy Spirit, who assures our faith!

*OPENING HYMN: UMH #302 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

[Red Hymnal]

PRAYER FOR JOY: **Most merciful Lord, who raised Jesus from death, filling us with a living hope: Bring us into the joy of Christian discipleship. We want to receive the eternal blessings preserved in heaven which you have promised through your Son. Fill us with a living hope, so that we may enjoy the blessings you give your people—not just a hollow commemoration of a past event. We pray this in the name of our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

[Silent prayers for confession and forgiveness of others]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God! AMEN.

WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION: UMH p. 6

[Red Hymnal]

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 10:34-43

*GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:1-18

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God!

We are ever growing in Christ, inviting each one to make a difference.

*HYMN OF PRAISE: FWS #2088 "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

YOUNG PEOPLE'S BLESSING

Kate Ehrenberger

FWS #2233 "Where Children Belong"

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

HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Worthy is the Lamb"

Faith Ensemble

Thank you for the cross, Lord; thank you for the price You paid.

Bearing all my sin and shame, in love You came and gave amazing grace. Thank you for this love, Lord; thank you for the nail pierced hands. Washed me in Your cleansing flow, now all I know, your forgiveness and embrace.

Worthy is the Lamb, seated on the throne. We crown You now with many crowns, you reign victorious. High and lifted up, Jesus Son of God. The Treasure of Heaven crucified, worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb.

HOMILY:

Pastor Ron Dodson

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

COMMUNION HYMN: UMH #314 "In the Garden" *[Red Hymnal]*

THE LORD'S TABLE: UMH pp. 12-15 *[Red Hymnal]*

WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

PRAISE REPORTS

PRAYER CONCERNS: *"Turn your eyes upon Jesus. Look full in his wonderful face. And the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace."*

PASTORAL PRAYER

WE OFFER THANKSGIVING

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY: O God, we do not present these offerings in order to proclaim our own righteousness, but as symbols of our love for you and your Church. Bless them we pray, and may they be as loving arms reaching out to show our love for your needy children. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY: UMH #95

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" *[Red Hymnal]*

WE DEPART TO SERVE

REMINDERS

BLESSING WITH A MISSION

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POSTLUDE *Please remain se
Fellowship Hall to meet and*

Thought for your journey: F

Scripture Lessons for April 2

- Acts 5:27-32
- Psalm 150
- Revelation 1:4-8
- John 20:19-31

Calendar:

- Saturday April 27, 9 a.m.
- Sunday April 28 – Scout
- Saturday May 4 – “Faith,
Tisha or Judy for details.