

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SEALY

4th Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2020

PRELUDE

GREETING, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND JOYS

HYMN

*Easter People, Raise Your Voices*

UMH 304

***Easter people, raise your voices, sounds of heaven in earth should ring.  
Christ has brought us heaven's choicest; heavenly music, let it ring.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Easter people, let us sing.***

***Fear of death can no more stop us from our pressing here below.  
For our Lord empowered us to triumph over every foe.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! On to victory now we go.***

***Every day to us is Easter, with its resurrection song.  
When in trouble move the faster to our God who rights the wrong.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! See the power of heavenly throngs.***

TIME WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES

SPECIAL MUSIC

*Amazing Grace*

Blane Fisher

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 24:13-33

That same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to the village of Emmaus, which was about seven miles from Jerusalem. As they were talking and thinking about what had happened, Jesus came near and started walking along beside them. But they did not know who he was.

Jesus asked them, "What were you talking about as you walked along?"

The two of them stood there looking sad and gloomy. Then the one named Cleopas asked Jesus, "Are you the only person from Jerusalem who didn't know what was happening there these last few days?"

"What do you mean?" Jesus asked.

They answered: *Those things that happened to Jesus from Nazareth. By what he did and said he showed that he was a powerful prophet, who pleased God and all the people. Then the chief priests and our leaders had him arrested and sentenced to die on a cross. We had hoped that he would be the one to set Israel free! But it has already been three days since all this happened.*

*Some women in our group surprised us. They had gone to the tomb early in the morning, but did not find the body of Jesus. They came back, saying that they had seen a vision of angels who told them that he is alive. Some men from our group went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said. But they didn't see Jesus either.*

Then Jesus asked the two disciples, "Why can't you understand? How can you be so slow to believe all that the prophets said? Didn't you know that the Messiah would have to suffer before he was given his glory?" Jesus then explained everything written about himself in the Scriptures, beginning with the Law of Moses and the Books of the Prophets.

When the two of them came near the village where they were going, Jesus seemed to be going farther. They begged him, "Stay with us! It's already late, and the sun is going down." So Jesus went into the house to stay with them.

After Jesus sat down to eat, he took some bread. He blessed it and broke it. Then he gave it to them. At once they knew who he was, but he disappeared. They said to each other, "When he talked with us along the road and explained the Scriptures to us, didn't it warm our hearts?" So they got right up and returned to Jerusalem.

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PERSONAL WITNESS TO THE SCRIPTURES

SERMON

Walk With Me & Talk With Me

SUNG PRAYER

*Be Present, O Lord*  
Be present in our lives, O Lord;  
be here and everywhere adored;  
thy servants bless, and grant that we  
may feast in fellowship with thee. Amen.

UMH 621

FEASTING IN FELLOWSHIP – *Please partake in your food and drink as we continue our worship.*

TIME OF REFLECTION AND GIVING

DOXOLOGY

***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.***

UMH 95

PRAYER TIME

Prayer Concerns, 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.**

UMH 895

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN

*The Lily of the Valley*  
***I have found a friend in Jesus, he's everything to me, he's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul;  
the Lily of the Valley, in him alone I see all I need to cleanse and make me fully whole.  
In sorrow he's my comfort, in trouble he's my stay, he tells me every care on him to roll. (Hallelujah!)  
He's the Lily of the Valley, the bright and Morning Star, he's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.***  
  
***He all my grief has taken, and all my sorrow borne; in temptation he's my strong and mighty tower;  
I have all for him forsaken, and all my idols torn from my heart, and now he keeps me by his power.  
Though all the world forsake me, and Satan tempts me sore, through Jesus I shall safely reach the goal.  
He's the Lily of the Valley, the bright and Morning Star, he's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.***  
  
***He will never, never leave me, nor yet forsake me here, while I live by faith and so his blessed will;  
a wall of fire about me, I've nothing now to fear, with his manna he my hungry soul shall fill.  
Then sweeping up to glory, to see his blessed face, where rivers of delight shall ever roll. (Hallelujah!)  
He's the Lily of the Valley, the bright and Morning Star, he's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.***

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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PASTOR: Rev. Michael Fraley   OFFICE: Leslie Ellis & Linda German   TREASURER: Russell Koym  
MUSIC: Kay Ashcraft   CHILDREN & YOUTH: Joanna Kruzel

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## **CARES AND CONCERNS**

### ***Those who are grieving***

Pray for Karen Stone, her children Jonny and Shanna Lipowski, and their family and friends, as they mourn the loss of Karen's mother, Ann Huffman, who passed away April 25.

### ***Those who need healing***

Norman Angle	Scooter Ayres	Warren Briggs	Antoney Calme	Misti Champman
Cody Childress	Jason Guilbeau	Robin Hartwick	Linda Jones	Lillian Koym
Susan McKimmy	Vicki Newsome	Donald Siptak Sr.	Glenn Speiss	Dauna Snow
Shirley Stone	Lue Vick	Lance Whisenant	Bob Whitfield	Francis Youngblood

### ***Those who are homebound or in long-term care***

Myrle Benton	Ferma Beyers	Delores Cass	Charlene Chess	Addie Koy
Darold Nelson	Earl Neves	Clara Schroeder	Mildred Taylor	May Belle Vecera
Lisa Wilder				

### ***Those serving in the Armed Forces***

Stephen Brandes (Navy)	Francisco Figueroa (Army)	Reid Langton (Marines)	Cody Leger (Army)
Cole Pinheiro (Army)	TJ Theriot (Air Force)	Tiffanee Theriot (Air Force)	

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