

Welcome to Brevard First United!

If you are a newcomer or “regular,” we are glad you’re here! **Help us connect with you by signing the red pew pad.** Today is Easter Sunday, THE High Holy Day in the Christian Year. We celebrate that Jesus has been raised from the dead “on the third day.” Jesus’ resurrction on a Sunday is why United Methodist Chrisitans Worship on Sundays. Easter is actually a *season* of 50 days which take us to Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit gives birth to the Church. Today, we receive Communion- a piece of gluten-free bread dipped in grape juice. “The Great Thanksgiving” is a sacrament (sacred moment) which memorializes Jesus’ offering for us and for the world, forgiveness, freedom and grace. *The Table is open to all who want to love God and receive God’s love.* **The Ushers will direct half of the congregation toward the Back to receive Communion and half the congregation to the Front to receive Communion. There will be a station for those in the balcony. If you wish to approach the altar rail for prayer from any place, please do so!**

There is **NO CROSSTOWN YOUTH** today.

The **Church Office is closed** tomorrow, Easter Monday, April 1. Veranita will be out of the office April 1-4.

BLOOD DRIVE is on April 6 from 7:30 - Noon. Contact Blood Drive Coordinator, Julie Barnette 704-654-7106, or Hannah 704-681-0014 to schedule an appointment.

CHOW! “Church Happens on Wednesday,” April 10 @ 5:30 PM
Menu coming soon! Please RSVP ASAP!

SAVE THE DATES! Parsonage Workday, Sat., 4/13 9am-NOON
Church Workday, Sat., 4/20 9am-NOON

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

MUSIC ASSISTANT	Sarah Lee Miracle
BRASS MUSICIANS	Bill Shank, trumpet; Andrew Jimeson, trumpet; Keith Poole, trombone; David Pstrak, tuba
ADDITIONAL MUSIC LEADERSHIP	Bart Gilleland, Sarah Moser
GREETERS	Mike Harle & Meredith Manker
CRUCIFER	Burgon Gibbs
BIBLE	Lucy Shields
CANDLE	Isabella Gibbs
LITURGIST	Harold Barnette
USHERS	Jim & Toni Garrett, Tom Stroup
AUDIO VISUAL	Steve Kiser & Hank Welter
ARK ROOM	Kim Dodson

Easter Lilies

*In celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ
the following have placed Easter Lilies:*

Becky & Jim Alderman
in honor of the wonderful Pastors and staff of Brevard FUMC.

Barb Gibson
in memory of Frank Wolf.

Millie & Wayne Hyman
in memory of Wallace R. Hyman, brother of Wayne Hyman.

Kinsler & Sotirakopulos Family
in loving memory of Karen Saltz.
Such an amazing Mom, Grandma and Gigi.
Forever in our hearts.

Cherie Tinsley McGaha & Rick McGaha
to the glory of God and in honor of their parents,
Volney & Charlene Tinsley; Joe & Gail McGaha.

Michael, Sarah Grace, Maggie and Owen Montgomery
in memory of Ann Marie Montgomery.

Don & Sarah Lee Miracle
in memory of Eric Andrew Miracle.

Jake & Kathy Nissley
in loving memory of their parents.

Bill Parris
in loving memory of Lucy Smith Parris.

Timothy Shepard
with gratitude for the dedication and hard work
of the Chancel Choir.

Jane Wheelless
in memory of Doug Wheelless.

Ann Wilkinson
in honor and memory of loved ones.

Kimberly, Hooper, Allie, Olin & Lei Williams
in loving memory of Al Plemmons, their Dad and Papa.

Debbie & Jerry Yunker
in honor of their children & precious grandsons.

Don & Camille Ziegler
in memory of their mothers, Vivian Cornwell & Lydia Ziegler.



*The Easter Flower Arrangement is given by
The Beulah Zachary McMinn Organ Foundation*

THE EASTER FEAST

BREVARD FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
MARCH 31, 2024
11:00 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

GATHERING MUSIC Brass Quartet
"O Worship the King" by F. Haydn
"Triumphant Rose the Son of God" by J. S. Bach
"See the Conquering Hero" by G. F. Handel
"Sonata #19" by G. Reiche
"Rigaudon" by A. Campra

“EASTER INTROIT” Chancel Choir
by John Ferguson

+ GREETING People read **bold** Harold Barnette
Lives again our glorious King,
Where, O death is now thy sting?
Once, he died, our souls to save,
where’s thy victory, boasting grave?
Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

+ PROCESSIONAL UMH #302
"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

UNISON PRAYER Harold Barnette
from The Syrian Orthodox Church
Glory to God, who has woven garments of glory for the resurrection. Worship to the Son, who was clothed in them at his rising. Thanksgiving to the Spirit who keeps them for all the saints. AMEN.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES Rev. Dodson
"Sing Your Joy" verse 1 BLUE URWB #178
Sing your joy, proclaim Gods glory!
Rise and sing, the morning has come!
Bless our God and praise all creation;
song of the earth, and light from heaven:
God is alive! Alleluia!

+ GOSPEL Mark 16:1-8 Rev. Montgomery

ANTHEM Chancel Choir
"The Lord Is Risen Again" by K. Lee Scott

HOMILY Rev. Alvord & Rev. Dr.Creasman
“Somebody MUST Have Said Something...”

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING Rev. Ginn-Griffeth
God has given us life in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. In gratitude, let us offer our hearts and the fruit of our labor to God’s service.



OFFERTORY Tim Shepard
“Resurrection Hymn” by Townend/Getty

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING In Unison. Rev. Ginn-Griffeth
Almighty God, by your grace, accept the fruit of our labor and the offering of our lives in union with our risen Lord, who lives and reigns with you forever. AMEN.

DOXOLOGY UMH# 94
“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Musical Setting D UMH# 23
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your heads, hearts and hands.
We lift them up to the Lord
Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

...with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again!

...to be God's presence in the world until Jesus returns in glory.
Almighty God, we cry out to you on behalf of our community:
Have mercy upon all who suffer from the evils of poverty.
Have mercy, Lord!
Have mercy upon all who have lost their way.
Have mercy, Lord!
Have mercy upon all who have been offended by the church.
Have mercy, Lord!

Have mercy upon all who feel forgotten and neglected.
Have mercy, Lord!
Have mercy on us Triune God. Make us worthy to be called your people, who pray the prayer that Jesus taught to his disciples:
Our Father, which 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, the power and the glory, forever. AMEN.
All honor and glory is yours almighty God, now and forever.
Sung Response: AMEN. AMEN. AMEN.

The Table is Open to ALL People. Ushers will direct traffic flow.

HYMNS during Communion:
“Easter People, Raise Your Voices” UMH #304
“Alleluia, Alleluia” UMH #162

+ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH People read **bold**
Do you believe in God, Creator of the world?
WE DO!
Do you believe in Jesus, the Christ, Savior of the world?
WE DO!
Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, our Comforter?
WE DO!
Do you believe that we are the Body of Christ,
Drawn Together in Love?
WE DO!
Do you believe we are called to Move Out to Serve?
DRAWN TOGETHER IN LOVE,
WE MOVE OUT TO SERVE!

+ HYMN UMH #303
“The Day of Resurrection”

+ BENEDICTION Rev. Alvord

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Tim Shepard with Brass Quartet
“Toccata” by C. Widor
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+ Please Rise in Body and Spirit
UMH = RED United Methodist Hymnal
URWB = BLUE Upper Room Worship Book