



*Easter
Sunday*

Hope United Methodist Church

April 20, 2025

Reverend
Jeff Rainwater

Of Gardens
& Gardeners



SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025

8:30 A.M. WORSHIP

EASTER SUNDAY

PRELUDE

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Easter People arr. by Craig Laumann
Hope Chancel Bells

WELCOME & STANDING ON THE THRESHOLD

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P: He Is Risen Indeed!

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*OPENING HYMN

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today arr. by Mary McDonald

OPENING PRAYER

From Ministry Matters

THE WORD IN MUSIC

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee arr. by Daniel Kallman
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

John 20:1-18 Rachel Ellis

EASTER PROCLAMATION

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Thanks be to God. Amen.

OFFERTORY

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***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

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UMH 304 vv. 1 & 3

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***BENEDICTION**

***MUSICAL BENEDICTION**

Hallelujah Chorus

G.F. Handel

POSTLUDE

Crown Imperial

William Walton
Cheryl Saborsky, CAGO, organist

**EARN.
SAVE.
GIVE.**

COMING THIS MAY - 2025 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

You're probably used to hearing people in church talk about giving. But when was the last time in church that you talked about earning or saving? Is it unchristian to earn money? Is it wrong to save for ourselves and our families? John Wesley didn't think so.

Wesley, the Christian evangelist and founder of the Methodist movement, gave a remarkable sermon called "The Use of Money." In it, he said that the important thing isn't money itself but how we use it. Wesley's surprising advice still rings true today: earn all you can, save all you can, give all you can.

During the month of May, our church will experience an exciting stewardship theme, Earn. Save. Give.: Wesley's Simple Rules for Money, developed by popular author and pastor James A. Harnish. The program describes Wesley's surprising advice and introduces us each week to faithful Christians who, like many of us, struggle with money. Join us for the learning opportunities in worship, small groups, and the devotion for use at home.

Wesley's Simple Rules for Money



Easter Lilies in Memory of

Wayne C. Ambler from Drew & Dana Ambler
Sterling Apthorp from Beth Apthorp
Fern C. Brewster from Jerry Brewster
Donne Chapman from The Chapman Family
Sean Dahlinger from Bev Robertson
Great Great Davis from Hilzer & Montoya Family
Pop-Pop Davis from Hilzer & Montoya Family
Scott & Terry Davenport from Bob Hartley & Carol Davenport
My Parents, Avral & Everett Dewitt from Carolyn O'Hearn
Nelson F. Donahoo from The Avery-Logan Family
Maxine Dowell from Roger Dowell
Don & Our Parents from Julie Durst
John & Audrey Ferrell from Chris & Cindy Wiant
Loved Ones from Garreds & Borcherdings
Dick & Peggy Hanson and their granddaughter, Kerry from Their Family
Inez Hartley from Bob Hartley & Carol Davenport
Jessie Helton, beloved mother & grandmother from Lauren Meador
Chuck Herbel & Ed Hendricks from Barbara Herbel Hendricks
Susan Herbert from Mary, Trevor, Wesley, Noah & Oliver Shull
Clay & Clayton IV from Kathy Hill
Dale Holyer and Happy Heavenly Birthday from Theresa Holyer
Vern Husa from Jeanine & Family
Our Parents from Sharon & John Kramer
David Lee & Sally Snyder from Pam Lee
Peggy Mills from Herb, Pam, Amanda, & Drew Casner
Harold & Lorraine Morgan from True Morgan
My Mom Stella who passed away in 2020, Stella Morris from Denise Thomas
Betty Nelson from Mel, Missy & Lindsay
Catherine O'Neil from Caitlyn O'Neil
Mary Beth Oursler from Bob Oursler
David Pudlik from Kay Pudlik Family
Our Parents from Lynn & Marilyn Reyelts
Sherry Sargent from Frank Sargent
Gary Sauerteig from Judy Sauerteig
Dottie Snodgrass from Jennifer Janssen & Kim Snodgrass
Jeffrey Strait from Janet Carter
Melissa Manley Toon from Jan White
William C. VanBuskirk from Drew & Dana Ambler
Our Parents, Sisters & Brother from Melva & Tom Vorhauer
Charles White from Jan White
Erin Elizabeth White from Jan White
David & Jo Wiant from Chris & Cindy Wiant
Rod Wicklund from Matt & Beth Wicklund
Jeff & JJ Witt from Mary Witt





Easter Lilies in Honor of

The Avery, Logan & Marshall Families from The Avery-Logan Family
Ken Brewster from Jerry Brewster
Our Families from Chris & Linda Brooks
Amy & Patrick Rooney and Kimmy & Loren Dowdy from Craig & Laurel Laumann
With Thanks to Larry Meerdink from Hope Chancel Choir
Loved Ones from Harry & Sylvia Postlethwait
With Thanks to Cheryl Saborsky from Hope Chancel Choir
Linda White from Jan White
Dr. James White, M.D. from Jan White
Phyllis Wicklund from Matt & Beth Wicklund

Special thanks to all who shared their musical talents this morning:

Brass Quartet

Ian Sawyer, trumpet I
John Adler, trumpet II
Christen Adler, horn
Rob Olds, trombone
Justin Frank, tuba



Organ

Cheryl Saborsky, CAGO

Piano

Dianne Gallagher

Chancel Choir

Larry Meerdink, director
Cheryl Saborsky, accompanist

Ember Cooksey, Janet Denette, Julie Durst, Mary K. Edet, Lillian Glasgow,
Bob Hartley, Lulu Hendrickson, Neill Kipp, Craig Laumann, Laurel Laumann,
Hilton Martin, Liz Martin, Tina McCune, Susan Merrick, Clyde Oakley, Patti Jo Oakley,
Caitlyn O'Neil, Bob Oursler, Louise Owens, Jan Petro, Nancy Roberts, Judy Sauerteig,
Paul Ternlund, Jane Uylaki, Mary Witt, and Hal Wright

Hope Chancel Bells

Craig Laumann, director
Karen Christensen, Ember Cooksey, Carol Davenport, Rachel Ellis,
Deborah Kamprath, Laurel Laumann, Annette Mandock, Marla Martin,
Donna Ralston, and Jane Uylaki



Our wonderful brass this morning was made possible
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Music for Music Community Talent Showcase & Dinner





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L: Our Lord is Risen!
P: He is Risen Indeed!
L: Holy One, You whose love endures forever,
P: **you keep offering us new life and hope, no matter what.**
L: We praise you, for you are our strength and our salvation.
P: **We shall not die, but live, for you call us into the light—**
L: You encourage us to reach for the sun, and unfurl our full colors,
P: **We know that we are held in the deep and rich soil of your garden—**
ALL: **this is more than good enough for us! Amen.**

Based on Psalm 114

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RESPONSIVE CHORUS

Hymn of Promise

UMH 707 v. 3

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We would like to express our thanks and admiration to those who made this Easter and Lenten Season SING! Thank you to Hope's musical talents, scripture readers, kitchen masters, ministry magic, technology gurus, and all those who help before, during, and after worship. YOU MAKE US SHINE!

Easter Coffee Jeanine Husa
Easter Refreshments UWF & Fellowship
8:30 Greeters Linda & Norm Bledsoe
Sound Gene Cloud
Slides John Frank
Lead Usher John Tripp
Ushers Janet Carter, Wayne Carter,
Joe Martin, Christina Frank,
Phyllis Wicklund, Ronny Villanueva

Sanctuary & Hope Setup Trudy Garred,
Stacey Hilzer, Charlie Neuscheler
10:00 Greeters Pam & John Hermon
Sound Chris Wiant
Slides Mary Jane Harmony
Livestream Dave Mahnken
Lead Usher Joe Martin
Ushers Herb Casner, John Tripp,
Mark Ellis, Chris Morton, Chris Brooks,
Linda Brooks, Phyllis Wicklund