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EASTER SUNDAY

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## WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Welcome to Fairport UMC! We at Fairport UMC want you to know that no matter: Where you've come from or where you are going; what you believe or what you may doubt; what you are feeling or just not feeling; what you have or don't have; and no matter the color of your skin, who you love or how you identify – all of who you are is welcomed into this community of faith by a God who loves you and knows you by name. Our vision is to nurture ALL people on their life journeys and to bring God's love to the world.

## CHILDREN

We are glad you are here! There is a cart in the Narthex with Children's Activity Bags. We love to have children stay in worship (wiggles and giggles are welcome)! We also have a nursery that is open to little ones. You are invited to drop your child off or stay with them. Worship is livestreamed in the nursery so no one misses a thing! On communion Sundays we encourage you to retrieve your child and participate in communion together! Note: Sunday School (children/youth/adult) during the school year is at 9am.

## OPEN TABLE

Communion is celebrated once a month (usually on the first Sunday of the month) and everyone (including children) is welcome at the table. We use gluten/dairy free bread and grape juice.

## WORSHIP ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

\*indicates to stand in body or spirit

**bold print indicates congregational response**

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal (large blue hymnal)

FWS – The Faith We Sing (small black hymnal)



**FUMC is a Reconciling Congregation where all persons of any age, gender, gender identity, race, ethnic origin, economic reality, family status, sexual orientation, diverse ability or social status are welcome without reservation to share in God's love.**

— GATHERING —

The chimes call us to gather as a community to prepare our hearts to worship God.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christ is Risen! **Christ is Risen, indeed!!**

PRELUDE

*Thine Be the Glory*

arr. Howes

Paul Howes & Tobin Woodruff, French horn

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

My dear friends, we have known grief.

We have known loss.

We have known the long road, tired and winding.

We have whispered prayers on bended knees.

We have stared at the sky, empty of stars.

But today—

**today we know hope.**

Today we know life.

**Today we know the sound of Alleluias.**

Today we know that death does not have the last word.

**Today we know that nothing can separate us from the love of God.**

It is Easter. May hope find you.

And may you know, deep in your bones,  
that today is a new day.

**Alleluia! Amen.**

\*HYMN

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

UMH 302 verses 1-4

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Gospel of Luke says: "It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told the apostles [of the resurrection]. But these words seemed to the disciples an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb."

**Forgive us, God, when good news lands in our lap and we refuse to believe it.  
Forgive us, God, when grief and fear crowd out any room in our hearts for hope.  
Forgive us, God, when we dismiss the stories of others and minimize the voices of our neighbors.**

In a world that teeters between grief and hope, show us how to be like Peter.

**Show us how to hold onto hope. Show us how to run toward you. Amen.**

## WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Family of Faith, At first, the disciples didn't believe that Jesus had risen. They stayed locked in an upper room, shaking and afraid. Peter was the only exception. Fortunately, Jesus loves us on our best days and our worst days.

**God's grace exists for us when we are hopeful and when we're grieving, when we're shouting and when we're silent, when we're full of faith and when we're full of fear. God's grace exists for us on the best days, the worst days, and every day in between. Thanks be to God for this good news! Alleluia! Amen.**

## — LISTENING —

*We listen* for the word of God through song, Scripture, and preaching.

### \*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### \*GOSPEL READING

Luke 24:1-12

For the Word of God in Scripture; For the Word of God among us;  
For the Word of God within us. **Thanks be to God!**

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### \*PASSING THE PEACE

### \*HYMN

*Easter People, Raise Your Voices*

UMH 304

### MESSAGE

Everything in Between: Grief & Hope

Rev. Richelle Goff

### MOMENT OF REFLECTION

## — RESPONDING —

*We respond* to hearing God's word  
through the offering, prayer, & monthly communion.

### INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

### OFFERTORY

*Glory, Hallelujah!*

Burrows

Early and Chancel Choirs

Andrew Soucier, soloist

Rebecca Camilleri, Ed Caskey, Erin Triola, percussion

**\*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 uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father<sup>\*</sup>, 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.**

<sup>\*</sup>You are invited to use a name for God that is most meaningful to you.

**— SENDING —**

*We are sent out into the world to love God and our neighbors.*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**In the dark before dawn,  
we believe that God is alive.  
In the midst of our grief,  
we believe the Spirit is at work.  
In the chaos of our broken world,  
we believe that love is on the loose.  
For no stone could keep God at bay,  
and no violence could keep God's love from us.  
So today we sing,  
Alleluia!  
For somewhere in between our belief and doubt,  
hope lives.  
Christ has died,  
and Christ has also risen.  
Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## SERVICE MUSIC TEXT

### **Glory, Hallelujah!**

*Glory hallelujah!*

*I know that my Redeemer lives. What joy His resurrection gives.*

*Shout on, pray on, we're gaining ground; the dead's alive, the lost is found.*

*Glory hallelujah!*

*He lives, all glory to His name. He lives, my Savior still the same.*

*What joy the blest assurance gives, I know that my Redeemer lives.*

*Glory hallelujah!*

### **An Easter Welcome**

Happy Easter! It is a joy to welcome you to Fairport UMC this morning! For two thousand years the good news of the risen Christ has been a source of hope and healing for Christians the world over. The proclamation that Christ is risen, and the promise that one day we too will rise from the grave, has been and continues to be the animating force that enables Christians to love and serve in extraordinary ways.

The tomb is empty; Jesus is alive, and death has been defeated. The love of God covers everything, and even though we die, there is life beyond this life. Whatever has brought you here this morning, it is my hope that the Easter good news will touch your heart.

The joy of Easter was intended for you. It is God's gift to you, God's promise that your life has immeasurable meaning and value because you are loved. We are delighted that you are here today, and we hope that you too will find yourself resurrected on this Easter morning. For you are precious in God's sight, you are loved more than you will ever know, and God's love will never let you go. Christ is risen! Happy Easter!

*Blessings, Pastor Richelle*

\*HYMN

*He Lives*

UMH 310

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Toccata from Symphony No. 5*

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Let us take these few moments for preparation,  
for worship is over .... the service begins.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

- For Regina Williams, on the sudden passing of her daughter (from Holly Warren).
- For Tammy Engert's uncle, who has pneumonia.
- For refugees and resettlement programs affected by government funding.
- For those affected by layoffs.
- For those affected by natural disasters.
- For our country, and for peace in our world.
- For the Middle East, Ukraine and other countries in the midst of war.

***We continue our prayers for those who are in need of continued healing***

**FUMC Members:** Ed Lewek, Carol & Frank Mueller, Bob Grow,  
Courtney Pedersen, Carol Christensen

**Family / Friends:** Becky Gualtieri, Maven Taggart, Susan Grau, Shirley Robinson,  
Jeff Latsha, Heather Malvarosa, Jen Simpson, Judy Boyer, David Klein,  
Lexi, Carol Hunting, Eric Widness, Angela, Michelle, Judy, Roger Ward,  
Jennine, Jordan Gelser

***We pray for all those who are homebound or in nursing homes***

Jane Leonard, Gary Nelson, Carol Snow, Cindy Stanton, Emmet and Marge Vanderburgh,  
Wally Robinson (CT), Dave and Carolyn Hebert (KY)

### **PERMISSIONS**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next **Friday, April 25** is the date for the **April Euchre Tournament**.

Doors open at **6:30pm with pizza!** Play begins sharply at 7:00pm.

There will be music and beverages. Snacks are always welcome.

There is **no cost** to play and all are welcome.

Everyone is guaranteed a partner. **All skill levels are welcome.**

Beginners will be paired up with someone who can teach you.

For updates about this/future Euchre events use the link found in our E-newsletter



To everyone who helped facilitate the  
new carpet installation in the Nursery!



**United Women in Faith** has coordinated a volunteer opportunity  
with Foodlink on Thursday, May 8 from 1-4 pm.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact  
Jennie Guy at 585-451-1370 **no later than Monday, April 21.**

You must be at least 18 years old.

## SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP THIS WEEK

<b>Easter Sunday, April 20</b>	8:15am 9am 10:30am	Chancel & Early Choir - 113 Worship Worship
<b>Monday, April 21</b> Office closed	1pm 7pm	Godmothers - 204 Scouts - FH
<b>Tuesday, April 22</b>	10am 6:30pm 7pm	Staff Meeting Joyful Noise – 206 Church Council
<b>Wednesday, April 23</b>	11:30am 5:45pm	Joy Club - P Amplify the Light Small Group – 204 / Zoom
<b>Thursday, April 24</b>	6:30pm	Bell Choir - S
<b>Friday, April 25</b>	9am 10:30am 6:30pm	Cooking Ministry – K only Heart Listening Small Group (offsite) Euchre Tournament - FH
<b>Saturday, April 26</b>	Noon	Al Anon – FH
<b>Sunday, April 27</b>	9am 10:30am 11:30am 12:30pm 4pm 5pm	Worship, Sunday School Worship Confirmation Sunday Dinner – K only Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group BTW Shelter Visit – Sanctuary House

### MINISTERS AND STAFF OF FUMC

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**Custodian - Jamie Gualtieri**

### HELPING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

**Livestream Operator: Ken Fischer**

**Readers: 9am - Martha McNeill 10:30am - Mary Martin**

**Feed the Spirit: Karen Hartnett**



# *Easter Flowers*

## *In Honor of . . .*

Glamma Kathryn Pridey

Our children

Mr. & Mrs. James Couch and Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Meyer

All the FUMC Staff and Volunteers

Our confirmands, Emma and Michael

Our children and their families

My parents wedding day

Don & Gayle Barrett

Benjamin, Christopher, Matthew & Emily Carpenter

Loved ones

Heather Malvarosa

## *In Celebration of . . .*

Kim Engert

My family

Our children & grandchildren

Our family

My sons, Evan & Will

Gigi & Rosie Lyons

Our risen Lord

Chuck, Calvin, and Alex

Easter, and our church family

## *from . . .*

Olivia Patton-Daniels

Tom & Brenda Deever

Jim & Jenny Meyer

Ann & Jeff Nelson

Betsy O'Connor

Nancy & Loren Romagnola

Carol Shuherk

Pam Spiteri

Lorie Stannard

Ron & Jane Tucker

Holly & Gary Warren

## *from . . .*

Tammy Engert

Judy Gray

Fran & Dan Mealey

Rich & Susie Law

Jennifer Lyons

Tina Lyons

Marty & Karen Schuh

Pam Spiteri

Susan Striegel

Reminder: Please pick up your flowers after the second service,  
or come by the church on Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

# *Easter Flowers*

## *In Memory of . . .*

Emma Ressegger

My son, John Baldwin and my sister, Jane Thissell

Eleanor Quinn

Loves ones

Ronald Joy Sr.

Our parents, David Baldwin, Len & Dolores Lang

My husband, Ray

George Aberle, Robert (son) & Rachel Lashier

Edwin Lighthall and John Rodas

Beverly & Frank Rose, and Marion & Joseph Romagnola

My parents, Robert & Margaret Higham

My sister, Brenda Tastor

My daughter, Brenda Tastor

Our mothers, Thresa Donnell & Marlene Beisler

Doug Solomon

Roger & Shirley Ward, Elliott & Marian Warren,  
Lori Pulver, and Pablo Diaz

## *from . . .*

Tammy Aubrey

Sandy Baldwin

Harriet Caputo

Carlee Brown & Rick Hill

Marcia Joy

Jen & Mark Lang

Dodie Maier

Mary Martin

Louise Rodas

Nancy & Loren Romagnola

Susan Striegel

Carol Tastor

Marilyn Tastor

Steve & Erin Triola

June Walters

Holly & Gary Warren

***Thank you to everyone who purchased flowers  
to decorate our church.***