

*Today's liturgical color is white symbolizes days and seasons of joy and mark pivotal events in the life of Christ.*

*To help promote the happenings in our church, you can share our services and events to the community on your Facebook page.*

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**PRELUDE:** All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name with Fanfare from L'Ecole d'Orgue

#### LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

Jesus said: "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). The presence of the light reminds us of Jesus' coming into our world and into our lives. The light is carried into the worship service as a symbol of Jesus' coming into the presence of the worshiping community.

#### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

**CALL TO WORSHIP—** He's Alive

**WELCOME** from Pastor Tim and welcome your neighbors

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** (\*noted within the bulletin)

**A TIME FOR PRAYER:** Pastor Tim

#### 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 that 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.**

**OPENING HYMN:** Christ the Lord is Risen Today No. 302

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

**READER:** Paula B.

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the Lord because he is good, because his faithful love lasts forever.

<sup>2</sup>Let Israel say it: "God's faithful love lasts forever!"

<sup>14</sup>The Lord was my strength and protection; he was my saving help!

<sup>15</sup>The sounds of joyful songs and deliverance are heard in the tents of the righteous: "The Lord's strong hand is victorious!

<sup>16</sup>The Lord's strong hand is ready to strike! The Lord's strong hand is victorious!"

<sup>17</sup>I won't die – no, I will live and declare what the Lord has done.

<sup>18</sup>Yes, the Lord definitely disciplined me, but he didn't hand me over to death.

<sup>19</sup>Open the gates of righteousness for me so I can come in and give thanks to the Lord!

<sup>20</sup>This is the Lord's gate; those who are righteous enter through it.

<sup>21</sup>I thank you because you answered me, because you were my saving help.

<sup>22</sup>The stone rejected by the builders is now the main foundation stone!

<sup>23</sup>This has happened because of the Lord; it is astounding in our sight!

<sup>24</sup>This is the day the Lord acted; we will rejoice and celebrate in it!

This is the word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.**

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT:** led by Diane B.

#### THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**Ushers:** Paul C, Gary H, Alberta M, Cecilia R

**OFFERTORY PRAYER:** Let us pray,  
**Gracious God, through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus, you have given immeasurable grace to us. May our offerings reflect the grace we have received, and symbolize lives committed to the service of our risen Lord. In Jesus' Name, Amen.**

**OFFERTORY MUSIC:** Because He Lives arranged by John Purifoy

**DOXOLOGY** No. 95  
**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.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** Joy in the Morning  
Trumpets: Jason Bailey and Ron Flannary

**SERMON:** Do I Have a Witness? Acts 10:34-43

**RESPONSE TO THE SERVICE: ALTAR CALL** –At this time if you desire to come to the front for prayer, you are welcome to do so.

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** Apostles Creed No 881

**CLOSING HYMN:** Up From the Grave He Arose No 322

#### BENEDICTION

**May the Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent one from another. AMEN!**

**POSTLUDE:** The Hallelujah Chorus by G. F. Handel

**Sending Forth/Extinguishing of the Candles:** At the end of the service, the light is carried out into the world to show that Jesus Christ is for all people everywhere. The acolyte leaves the worship service at the pastor's direction, carrying out the lighted candle lighter. This symbolizes the light of Jesus Christ going out into the world where believers are to serve.

#### METHODS OF GIVING

We have several ways for you to support the ongoing ministries and operating expenses of our church:

- bring an offering to the Sunday worship and put in the collection plate
- use the drop box at the back of the church
- mail a check to the church
- set up recurring payments with your bank
- online donation via website Subsplash—use the following address on your computer, tablet or phone:  
<https://secure.subsplash.com/ui/access/FJ4VNG>  
this secure website allows you to make a donation/offering in any amount, in any frequency (weekly, monthly, etc), and to select a specific purpose/fund for your donation. You can complete one of the cards located in the pews and put in offering plate to alert the office that you have made an online donation.

Here's a snapshot of our current budget numbers:

TITHES AND OFFERINGS	
TUMC 2024 BUDGET	\$159,000.00
WEEKLY GOAL	\$3,057.69
LAST WEEK'S OFFERING	\$2,306.00
YEARLY BUDGET TO DATE	\$36,692.28
YEARLY OFFERINGS TO DATE	\$31,681.73

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MEETINGS AND SUCH.....**

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL is Sunday at 10am.

CHOIR PRACTICE is Wednesday at 7pm.

Administrative Board meeting is April 7 following the worship service.

Women of Trinity meeting is April 7 @ 5 pm; all women are welcome to attend.

Methodist Men meeting is Monday, April 8 @ 6pm, held at Country Kitchen. All men are welcome to attend.

Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for April 10 @ 6pm.

Volunteers—Greeters; if you are, or would like to be, a greeter, please plan to attend a short meeting after the fundraiser meal on Apr 14.

VBS Planning Meeting scheduled for April 21 following the worship service, bring your ideas to make this year even better than last!

The next POP'N FOR JESUS is scheduled for Wed, Apr 24, 2024. Interested in helping, contact Betty Fleenor for details.

Worship service at Heritage Hall every Wednesday at 1:30-3 pm, all are welcome to attend. Pastor Tim is in high demand, they have requested two services each Wednesday in two separate areas of Heritage Hall!

**EVENTS AND CHURCH HAPPENINGS.....**

Our next Church Budget Fundraiser meal—Hot Dog dinner will be April 14 following the worship service!

Mark your calendars and clean out those closets! The Church Rummage Sale is scheduled for Wed-Fri, May 1-3, this year from 9 am to 2 pm each day! We will need volunteers on Monday and Tuesday that week to setup. Please see Kathleen if you're able to assist.



**RUMMAGE SALE**

**\*Offering stewards for April**

Apr 7: Pat B, Susan H, Cathy G, Lana P

Apr 14: Chris S, Daniel W, Phil R, Rob M

Apr 21: Susie W, Patty R, Sandra R, Joyce P

Apr 28: Dennis A, Steve P, Billy W, Spencer Q

**\*Children's Moment for April**

Apr 7: Kim P

Apr 14: Mary Beth A

Apr 21: Diane B

Apr 28: Beth H

**\*Greeters for April**

Apr 7: Donny J, Donna M

Apr 14: Amy G, Patty R

Apr 21: Margaret B, Dotty B

Apr 28: Amy G, Tiffany A

**\*Lector Readers for April**

Apr 7: Natalie S-Psalm 133

Apr 14: Rob M-Psalm 4

Apr 21: Bob H-Psalm 23

Apr 28: Alberta M-Psalm 22:25-31

**Nursery Volunteers for April**

Mar 31: Amy G, Cathy G

Apr 7: Amy G, Judy H

Apr 14: Donna M, Cathy G

Apr 21: Paula B, Donna M

Apr 28: Amy G, Cathy G

**\*Communion Stewards for April 7:**

Paula B, Donna M, Joyce P, Alberta M

**\*Communion Stewards for May 5:**

Amy G, Beth H, Erin H, Patty R

**WORSHIP ATTENDANCE Mar 24**

Sunday School: 5

In-Person Worship: 90

Facebook Live: 20

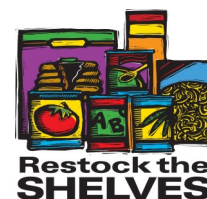
Visitors: 11

Heritage Hall: 35

Lent Service: 100+

**UPS BACKPACK PROGRAM**

Don't forget that each month we are going to Restock the Shelves for the Union Primary School. The food item requested for April is juice boxes—apple or grape.



**ZIMBABWE BACKPACK ITEMS:** Our goal is to fill 60 backpacks. April is cash donations to NOW team fund. Dropoff deadline is 6/3/24.

**DISASTER RELIEF ROOM:** We have a designated room upstairs to house hygiene, home and some clothing for local disaster (fire, etc). If you have any extra items to add to this room, please see Dennis or Cindy.

**The Trinity Companion**

March 31, 2024

Risen!  
EASTER SUNDAY



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Worship begins at 11:00 am

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