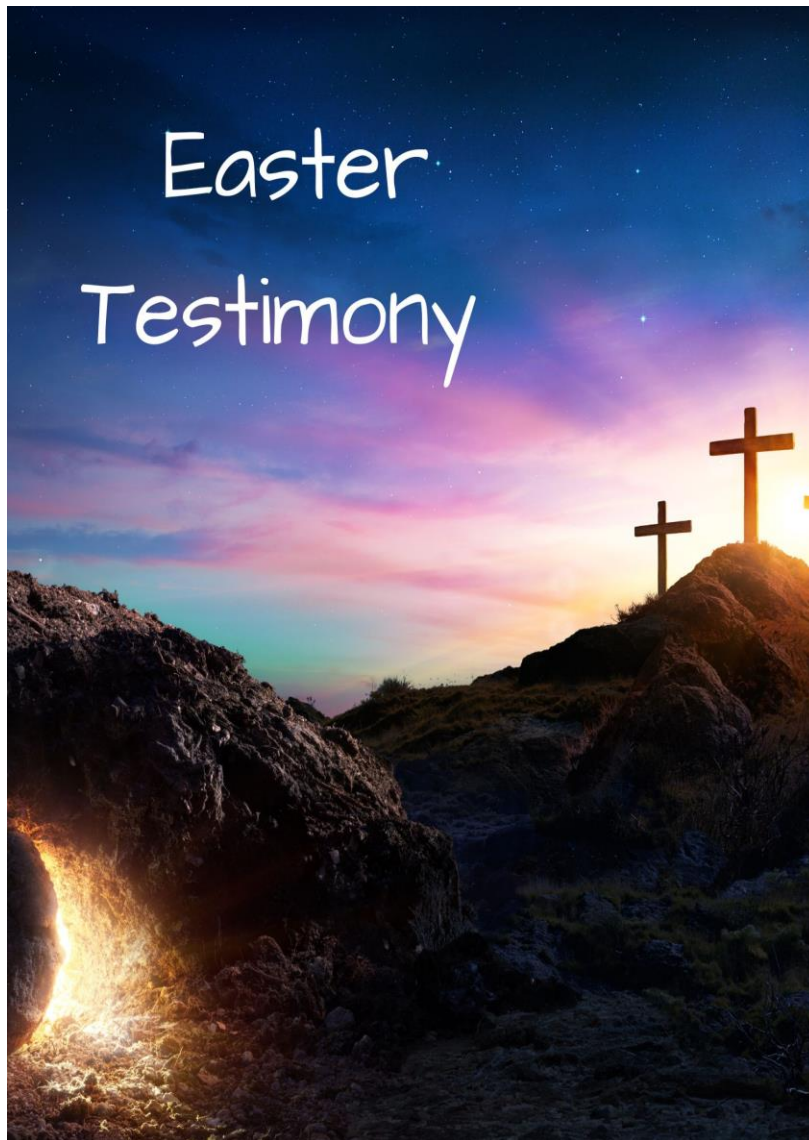


THE COMMUNICATOR

March 31, 2024

Easter Testimony



Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service

**Prelude “Prelude in B-flat Minor from WTC Book I” By: Johann Sebastian Bach Dr. Kim
Acolytes: Aubrey Johnston & Harper Rettkowski**

Opening Words Sue McGuire

Opening Hymn “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” UMH 302 vs. 1-3

Call to Worship Sue McGuire

Greeting Sue McGuire

Welcome Pastor Marie Smith

First Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Sue McGuire

Victory Bell Choir “Hallelujah! Crown Him Glorious Lord!” By: Dan R. Edwards

Children’s Message Julie Scherer

Special Music “Come See the Risen King!” Arr. By: Anna Laura Page Chancel Choir

Second Scripture Reading Mark 16:1-8 Sue McGuire

Sermon “Easter Testimony” Pastor Marie Smith

**Pastoral Prayer/Lord’s Prayer
Prayer Hymn “Hymn of Promise” UMH 707 vs. 1-3**

Holy Communion Pastor Marie Smith

**Offering Pastor Marie Smith
Offertory: “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” Arr. By: Cindy Berry Dr. Kim
Doxology “Glory Be to the Father” UMH 70**

Closing Hymn “Easter People, Raise Your Voices” UMH 304 vs. all

Benediction Pastor Marie Smith

Postlude “Sonata of Majesty” Arr. By: Don Wyrzten Dr. Kim

Easter's Testimony

Rev. Marie Smith

March 31, 2024

It is no coincidence that Easter falls in the Spring.

They were passed over and given new life through the blood of the lamb.

Jesus followers were devastated.

They were grieving what was and what will never be again.

John 20: 6-7 "Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus's head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. "

We all experience times when we are alarmed, terrorized and afraid.

Easter shifts Winter; Resurrection speaks light, and hope into the frozen tundra of our shadowy spaces.

John 14: 6 "I am the way the truth and the life"
John 14:12 "Very truly, I tell you the one who believes in me will also do the works I do and in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father."

Overcoming death gives us new life; a new story to tell and a testimony of all the ways Jesus has been with us through our lives.

Action Steps:

1. Jesus offers us new life, are you committed to that new life with him?
2. What is your testimony, your story that you can share with others?
3. Join us next week to continue your Easter Journey as we jump into 'Courageous Followers of Jesus'. How to follow Jesus with courage and boldness.



EASTER

Sunday, March 31, 2024



EASTER

10:30 a.m. – Contemporary Service

Easter Sunday

Welcome

Levi Graf

Opening Song

**“House Of The Lord“
“Happy Day”
“Rattle!”**

Levi Graf

**Announcements/Offering
Offering Prayer
Offertory Song**

Levi Graf

Scripture

Mark 16:1-8

**Sermon
Smith**

“Easter Testimony”

Pastor Marie

Holy Communion

Lighting of Candles

During the last song, we invite you to light a candle. It may be for someone else, or a situation you are going through. This is your time to connect with Jesus, and allow the Light of Christ to illuminate your life.

Closing Song

Ain’t No Grave“”

Levi Graf

Benediction

Pastor Marie Smith

For more information on programs offered at the church please contact:

- **Worship Services – Office 740.474.4796**
- **Children's Sunday School & Nursery – 740.474.4796**
- **Sermon Chat – Linda Kennedy – 740-248-3357**
- **Dimensions for Living Class – John Wysong – 740-601-3673**
- **The Explorers – Mark Denniston 740.474.4796**
- **Community Life – Mark Denniston 740.474.4796**
- **Monday Evening Ladies Bible Study – 740.474.4796**

Other programs:

Community Care Ministry – 740.474.4796

The Corner Closet – 740.474.4796

Bell Choir – Lora Arledge – 740.412.0702

Church Choir – Alice Chester – 740.474.4796

Saturday Morning Men's Group – Larry Harris – 740.601.7769

Girl Scouts – Office 740.474.4796

Scouts – Robert Fanska-850.529.6724 or Joe McNemar-614.580.8074

Narcotics Anonymous – 740.474.4796

Quilters Group – Pam Patrick 740.412.7642

Plant-Based Meals – Ruth Wilson 740.474.7019

Joy Group – Linda Kennedy 740.248.3357

Christian Counseling – Dr. Nina Helene 614.906.6609

Self Defense – Rick Seeds 740.497.3695

For more information on program locations, call 740.474.4796.

Prayer List for Mar. 28, 2024

Barb Bigam

Pam Phipps

Dan Fouts

Neal Wolfe

Joy Brooks

Diane Cooke

Mary Ann Janes

Scarlett Hedrick

Mary Harrison-Reed

Doug Sweazy

Josh, Rose, Sam, James, Scott

Archer Ebert(new born) & Long Family

Wendy Crow & Family

Bob Valentine

Rachel, Jason, Kelli, Clint, Cody

Katrina Kruger

Tammy – daughter of Carol Boltz

Rhonda Romine

Paula Sullivan

Robin Lackey

Bob Wolford

Sheila Harris & Family

Mike Shoemaker

Friends who worship online! We are excited for all those who are worshipping online with us to have a new way for you to interact with us. We have your own pew pad! We have a QR code or link you can use that will take you to a form to fill out that lets us know you are worshipping with us. Please take a minute during the service to fill it out.



Please note – Bob Wolford's birthday party on May 5th has been cancelled.

Food collection for the Community Cupboards will be Sunday, April 14th . Bags will be available on Sunday, April 7th.



EASTER
Mar. 31

Calendar for the week of March 31, 2024

9:00 a Traditional Service
10:30 a Contemporary Service
10:00 a Children's Sunday School
11:30 a Youth Sunday School
10:30 a Sermon Chat Class – 207
10:30 a The Explorers –301
10:30 a Dimensions for Living Class – 203



EASTER

April 01 10:00 a Staff Meeting – Cancelled
6:00 p Self Defense Class – FHS
6:00 p Girl Scouts # 8824 - FHN
6:30 p Monday Night Bible Study
7:00 p Young Men's Bible Study - Library
7:00 p Scouts – Youth Center

April 02 9:30 a Quilters – FHN
1:00 p Joy Group – Media Center
7:00 p Staff Parish Meeting - 301

April 03 12:00 p Narcotics Anonymous - 302

April 04 Noon Mom's Group - Nursery
6:00 p Bells Rehearsal
6:00 p Self Defense Class – FHS
7:00 p Choir Rehearsal
7-9:00 p Worship Rehearsal

April 05 OFFICE CLOSED

April 06 9:00 a Men's Morning Fellowship – FHN



We are asking for help to assist with Children's Sunday School. This would be for one hour on Sundays and if 4 people volunteer, then only one Sunday for one hour per month would be scheduled for each person. Ask a friend to volunteer with you and if interested, please contact Pastor Marie, Linda Sweazy or Harriet Barthelmas.

**Compassion Needs: inexpensive vehicles (\$500-\$1500),
electric stove, toilet paper & paper towels, lamp, end tables, coffee table, sofa,
twin bed, dresser, washer & dryer, any size bed**



Easter Lily Cross



Given By:

In Memory Of:

Steve & Leona Barney.....Steve C. & Yolanda Barney, Saul & Emogene Saunders,
Carl Saunders
Jim & Anne Bingman.....Our Parents
Steve & Cheryl Bowling.....Frank Bowling , Ken Harness
Peter & Sheran Cherrington.....Our family & friends no longer with us
Elaine Cook.....Clyde L. Cook, Gerald & Hazel Woodward, Judy George
Diane, Tom, Jennifer & David Cooke Roy and Dorothy Shubert
Mike Shoemaker & Kathy Cortez-ShoemakerFrank & Rene Cortez, Myrl &
Dorothy Shoemaker
Tom & Barbara Duvall..... William & Mary Duvall, Joe & Ella Mae Jenkins
Robert Fanska.....Charles Fanska
Jeff & Julie , Taylor & Luke Farthing.....Nancy Farthing, Pete Sobataka
Dale Gifford Family.....Betty Gifford
Marvine E. Hall.....Harry & Hazel Arledge, Howard Glenn Hall
Dotty Haney & Carol Ann Bowling.....Frank & Helen Bowling
Dotty, John, Bill & Lori Haney...George Haney, George Bowling, Frank Bowling, Jr.
Hazel Harness.....Ken Harness, Gary Harness, Danny Harness
Judy Hatfield.....Jeffrey D. Hatfield
Johnson Family.....Ruth & Glenn Moore, Jane, Harold & Phillip Hurtt
Connie Kelly.....James Bunger & Sean Wilson
Sue McGuireJack & Juanita McGuire
Marge & Bill McNeilly.....Viola & Malcolm McNeilly, Greta & Walter Sutherland
Patty Manson.....Farrell Manson, Mary & Woody Dumm
Lori & Doug Moss and Wendi & Chuck LowellPat & Stan Ritchie, Orla &
Louise Hockman, Moss Family, Ron & JoAnn Miller, Gerald & Lorene Miller
Palmer Family.....Tom Palmer
Mary Pilkington.....Edith Norris
Betsy & Bruce Richards and Frank & Maria Roberts.....
Grace Richards, Ralph & Rosemary Ankrom, Joe F. Roberts
Joan Savage.....Charles A. Savage, Clark & Ethel L. McFarland
Tom & Julie Scherer, Mike, Jenny & Cody, Noah & Fynlee, Rebecca & Camron, Ayda
& Olivia.....
Peggy & Bob Scherer, Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Fronckowiak, Mr. & Mrs.
Wm. Harsh, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Kazmierczak, Mr. & Mrs. A.C. Scherer,
Mr. Jim Davis, Mr. Roger Hawk
Kim & Larry Schieber & Family.....Charles & Jean Schieber, Jack & Juanita McGuire
Jo Shappard.....Frank Henson, Bill & Marion Schaefer
Bonnie SkaggsRon Skaggs
Dave & Becky Stevens.....Our Parents
Keith, Brooke, Garret, Carson & Blake Summers.....Rita Summers Sweazy Family
..... Helen & Atcherson Bercaw, Clark & Virginia Sweazy
Ruth Tootle.....Dick T. Tootle
Tom & Barbara TootleFloyd & Evelyn Wellington, Dick T. Tootle
Nathan & Ruth Wilson.....Marvin Stout
Don & Marge Wolford.....Rex & Verna Kaiser

Gwen Wolford.....H. Boyd & Phyllis Holsapple
 Jerry & Betty Wolford.....Roliff & Etha Mae Wolford, Loring & Ruth Leist,
 Weta Mae Leist
 Mike Wolford & Karla Palmer.....John Palmer, Mildred & Russell Palmer,
 Weta Mae Leist
 The Wolford Families.....Etha Mae & Roliff Wolford

Given By:

In Honor Of:

Marvine E. Hall.....Family & Friends of Community Church and Graystone Villas
 Leist Family.....Our Families
 Mary Pilkington.....Ralph Antolino
 Julie & Tom Scherer.....Our grandchildren; Noah, Fynlee, Ayda, Olivia and
 Parents; Marie & Ron Kazmierczak
 Karla Palmer & Mike Wolford.....Our Families
 Dave & Becky Stevens.....Our Children & Grandchildren; David Jr., Andrew,
 Jaime, Patrick, Max & Evelynne
 Tom & Barbara TootleRuth Tootle
 Nathan & Ruth Wilson.....Pastor Marie Smith & Family, CUMC Staff
 Jerry & Betty WolfordOur Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchild
 Mike Wolford & Karla Palmer.....Betty & Jerry Wolford, Our Wolford Family



Please remember to pick up your flowers after the services on Sunday. Thanks.



As followers of Jesus, we will have ups and downs in our faith. Join us as we take Courageous steps as followers of Christ. We will look at the ways others in the Bible have overcome obstacles and grown our faith.

April 7th - May 12th