

Second Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2017 11:00 am

"God is Spirit, and His worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth." (John 4:24)

Prelude Sandy Griese

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

L: Rejoice, friends, for the Lord has called us here.

P: We have heard the joyful news of resurrection.

L: Open your hearts to receive all God's blessings.

P: May God pour blessing upon us that we may bless God.

L: Praise the Lord of life! Alleluia!

P: Praise the Lord of hope! Alleluia!

*Opening Hymn "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" UMH 304

Lighting of the Candles

*Opening Prayer (in unison)

"Loving God, our refuge and strength, teach us the ways that lead to life. Even when the way is difficult, even when we struggle, You are with us. Speak Your word of hope and peace to our hearts that we may proclaim Jesus as Lord. Amen."

*Passing of the Peace & Easter Hope

Anthem "Christ Has Arisen! Alleluia!" (arr. M. Helman) Handbell Choir

Children's Message Sherrod Sturrock

Hymn Response "My Tribute" UMH 99

Prayer of Petition (in unison)

"Living Christ, transform our doubt into belief. Come into our hearts, offering us peace, filling our lives with Your presence. Show us Your ways that we may go forth with joy and confidence in Your love. Amen."

**Please rise either in posture or in spirit.*

New Testament Acts 2:14a, 22-32 John Bowman

Epistle Lesson 1 Peter 1:3-9

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn of Faith "Thine Be The Glory" UMH 308

Message "A Living Hope" Rev. Wayne Chung

We heard the good news that death could not hold Jesus in its power. Now that Easter celebration is over, where do we go from here? Bills keep coming, people are sick, and problems are still there. What is your hope?

Giving in Response to God's Love

Offertory "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" (arr. R. Mallory) Handbell Choir

*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

*Closing Hymn "Up from the Grave He Arose" UMH 322

Sending Forth God's Light and Love

*Hymn Response "Amen" UMH 898

Postlude Sandy Griese

Lection Reading for Following Sunday
Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Psalm 116:1-4,12-19 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35

The flowers on the altar today are given by Jay & Sally Lounsbury in memory of Sally's sister, Dorothea (Dotti) Zimberoff, who died of pancreatic cancer 19 years ago

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: The Family of Jack T. Dorsey, Sr., The Kotoriy Family, Florence Bowles, Elsie Arnold, Deloras Ward recovering from surgery, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Sarah Stallings, Jerome Stallings, Shirley Wood, Carl Stallings, Sr., Laura Wise – sister of Donna Nestor, Diana Marshall – niece of Martha Wooldridge, Jack Dorsey, Kathy Wallace, Bill Fowler, Those who travel

Our Presence: Worship Attendance Last Sunday 259
 Average Weekly Attendance 198

Our Gifts: Please strive to tithe! The Bible asks us to tithe 10% of our income to God. Many of our members are doing this already. How about you? You may give your offering electronically (EFT). Call the church office to set it up. *Stewardship is rather a way of life than an annual campaign. Thank You for your faithful stewardship!*

Record of Giving (Funds Received by the Church)

	January-March 2017				
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %	
General Fund	\$99,852	\$95,219	\$4,633	5%	
Missions Fund	\$4,580	\$6,174	(\$1,594)	-26%	
P&I Fund	\$4,157	\$4,500	(\$343)	-8%	
Building Fund	\$17,874	\$16,500	\$1,374	8%	
Kitchen Fund	\$1,510	\$6,000	(\$4,490)	-75%	
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal	20	Other	0	YTD Cereal
					468

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$114,421 as of March 31, 2017
 Mortgage Loan Balance = \$495,849 as of March 31, 2017

Service:

Ministers All Members and Volunteers at Friendship
 Secretary Bonnie Dean bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org
 Music Team Sandy Melson Griese, Holly Reynolds Lee,
 Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley
 Custodian Jim Fowler
 Counters Will Fowler & Pat Shumate
 Ushers & Greeters 2nd & 3rd Grade Sunday School Class
 Acolyte(s) 2nd & 3rd Grade Sunday School Class
 Altar Guild for April Kitty Beck Wilson (410-257-6519)
 Friendship Hour Mary Magdalene Zone (Grace DeGeorge)
 Stephen Ministry Coordinator Paula Madden 443-262-2635 (C)
 Pastor Wayne Chung 443.646.5653
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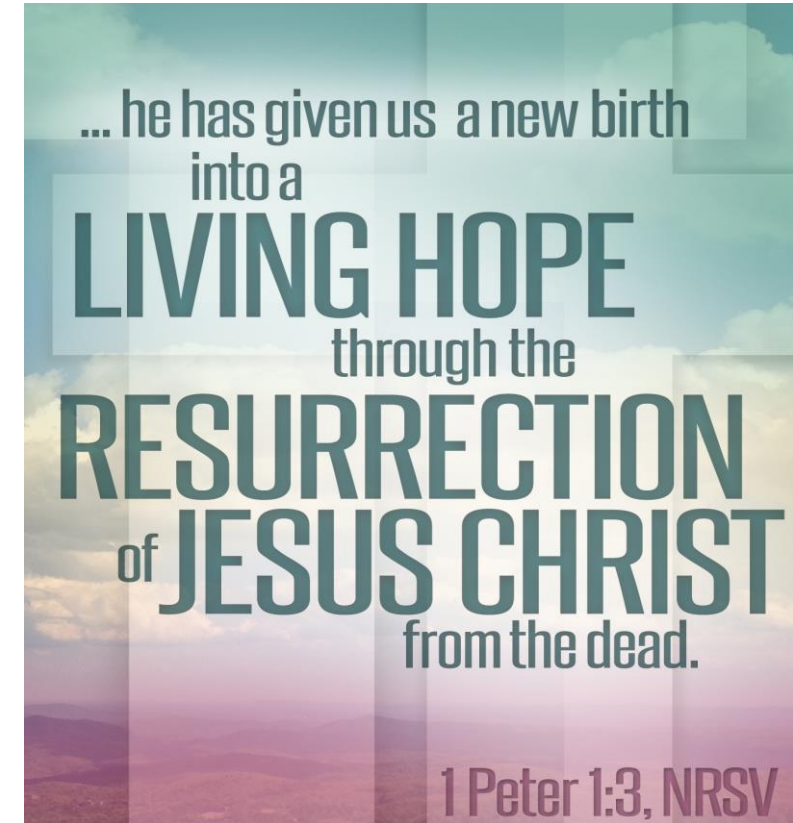
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FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, March 26, 2017
 11:00 a.m. Worship Service



Our Mission: “Grow as Disciples, Serve as Friends.
 Love All; Serve All; Follow One!”

Our Motto: “Each One, Reach One!”