First United Methodist Church

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April 5, 2026 — April 11, 2026

"Easter Sunday"

Usher/Greeter: Mary & Bob Whinnen — Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Janet Helmbold — Youth's Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Easter Lilies — Fellowship: Easter Potluck
Monthly Noisy Offering: Heifer International

Sunday (4/5)	Easter Potluck Fellowship
Monday (4/6)	Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM
Tuesday (4/7)	United Women in Faith 1 PM/Special District Conference on Zoom 7 PM
Wednesday (4/8)	Pasty Prep 7:30 AM / Sales 10 AM-1 PM
Thursday (4/9)	Pasty Prep 7:30 AM / Sales 10 AM-1 PM
Friday (4/10)	
Saturday (4/11)	

April 12, 2026 — April 18, 2026

"2nd Sunday of Easter"

Usher/Greeter: Needed — Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Lisa Jones — Youth's Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Needed — Fellowship: Needed
Monthly Noisy Offering: UMCOR—Heifer International

Monday (4/13)	Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM
Tuesday (4/14)	Ad Council 10 AM
Wednesday (4/15)	
Thursday (4/16)	Education Committee 10 AM
Friday (4/17)	
Saturday (4/18)	Open Mic Night, Fellowship Room, 6:30-8 PM

Lectionary Calendar—Bible Study

4/5/26 Jer 31:1-6; Ps 118:1-2, 14-24; Col 3:1-4 or Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18 or Matt 28:1-10
4/12/26 Ex 15:1-11; Ps 111; 1 Pet 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Janet Helmbold's sister Karen, Katie Putnam, Martha Weeks, Gordie Barry, Louise Burson, Mary Prater, Ron Williams, Char Crosby, Penny Tracy, Ken & Cyndi Burgin, Joel Prater, Jean Smith, Barbara Schneider, Phyllis Burge, Carol Weinert, Curt & Celie Norton, Katie Putnam, Rita Salter, Sharon V. & Celie N.'s brother, Kerry Billings & family concerns, Michael & Kathleen Haynes family concerns, Connie Meade, Sandi Kolder, Betty Tracy, Jesse Baker, and our unspoken joys & concerns.

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April 5, 2026

"WE EXIST TO JOYFULLY SHARE GOD'S LOVE, PREACH THE GOOD NEWS AND MAKE DISCIPLES."

First United Methodist Church
April 5, 2026
"Easter Sunday"

WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE: Christ the Lord Is Risen (Cyndi/organ & Pastor B.J./clavinova) by Lyra Davidica

***WELCOME FRIENDS SONG** (2 times)

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

WELCOME—INVOCATION

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

***PRAISE CHORUS**: UMH 99 (2 times) My Tribute

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: We think of Easter as a joyous time, yet to the women who went to the tomb to properly embalm the body of Jesus, it was initially a time of great sorrow, made even greater when they discovered that His body was missing.

P: Why didn't they know that of course it would not have been there in the grave? It was foretold that He would rise from the dead!

L: Would we have gone to the tomb expecting to find the body missing, especially after having seen Jesus dying on the cross? More than likely our reaction would have been exactly like theirs!

P: Knowing that Jesus had risen from the dead, it is hard for us to experience the shock of His death, the grief which enveloped His followers, and the even greater shock of the missing body. Indeed, we are blessed to have been spared the suffering the disciples experienced. We can see why Easter started out as a day of great sadness and mourning.

L: But praise God! The grief was turned to incredible joy and consolation when Jesus again joined them in the flesh! We too can share in the joy!

P: Alleluia! Praise God, for Jesus is indeed risen, and we are filled with the joy which comes from knowing that our Savior lives!

***OPENING HYMN**: UMH 302 (v 1-4) Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

***APOSTLES' CREED**: UMH 881

YOUTH TIME

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**: UMH 261 (v 1,3,4,5) Lord of the Dance

***GOSPEL READING**: Matthew 28:1-10

SERMON: A New Start

PRAYER TIME Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

PRAYER HYMN: FWS 2193 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

PASTORAL PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY: Up From the Grave He Arose by Robert Lowry

***DOXOLOGY**: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

COMMUNION HYMN: UMH 618 Let Us Break Bread Together

COMMUNION: SERVICE OF WORD & TABLE II

***CLOSING HYMN**: UMH 327 Crown Him with Many Crowns

***BENEDICTION**

***PARTING HYMN**: UMH 310 (v 1) He Lives

POSTLUDE: Thine Is the Glory by G.F. Handel

<u>The Altar Rail is always open to all.</u>

<u>April Mission Noisy Offering—Heifer International</u>

This noisy offering assists families in need to create long-term solutions

God is working through us. Thank you for your support!

* **DENOTES CONGREGATION STANDING (AS ABLE)**
* **PLEASE BE SURE TO SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING THE WORSHIP SERVICE**