

# We Gather to Worship

Prelude We Gather Together Dr. Mary Crowell

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Jim Truesdell

\* Call to Worship Psalm 116: 12-19 Brad Clem

**How shall I repay you, O Lord, for all the good things you have done for me?**

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.

**I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all the chosen people.**

Precious in your sight, O Lord, is the death of your servants.

**O Lord, I am your servant, I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.**

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and call upon the name of the Lord.

**I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all the people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

**Hallelujah!**

\*Hymn That Easter Day wih Joy Was Bright #254

\*Prayer

\*Hymn Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna! #248

\*Call to Confession Brad Clem

\*Prayer of Confession Unison

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgement.**

**Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the Risen Lord.**

\* Kyrie Eleison Unison

**You are the Lord giver of mercy!**

**You are the Christ giver of mercy!**

**You are the lord giver of mercy**

\*Assurance of Pardon Pastor Truesdell

\* The Gloria Patri Unison

**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.**

\* Sharing the Peace of Christ Pastor Truesdell

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

## We Listen to God's Word

"This Little Light of Mine"

Time with Young Disciples Pastor Truesdell

Prayer of Illumination Brad Clem

Gospel Reading Luke 24:13-35 p. 1,047-48 Brad Clem

Anthem

Response Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Pastor Truesdell

"On the Way, at the Table, on the Way Back"

## We Respond to God's Grace

\*Hymn O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee # 738

\* Affirmation of Faith Unison

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;**

**he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of The People Pastor Truesdell

\*The Lord's Prayer Unison

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Invitation to Worship God with Our Offering

Offertory Faithful Dr. Crowell

\*Doxology

**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.**

\* Prayer of Dedication Pastor Truesdell

\*Hymn More Love to Thee, O Christ #828

\*Charge Pastor Truesdell

\*Benediction

\* Postlude Every Day I Will Bless You Dr. Crowell

**\*Stand if you are able**

April 19, 2026

3rd Sunday after Easter

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### CHURCH FAMILY

|                                 |                          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Marv & Elizabeth Price (Health) | Duane Counter (Healing)  |
| Doris Welch (Home)              | Suzanne Weeks (Healing)  |
| Dean Steele                     | Jac Catlett              |
| Susie Fogg (Home)               | Diane Lynn (Health)      |
| Sharon Massey                   | Gale Cottles (Healing)   |
| Melvin & Ruth Clem (Health)     | Charlotte Lyle (Healing) |

### THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

|                               |                            |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Brandon Noel - Army           | Sean Miller - Army         |
| Adam Naves - Marines          | Damien Williams - Army     |
| Kevin O'Neill-Army Nat. Guard | Joshua Hargrove - Deployed |
| Jay Tulley- Middle East       | Justin Ruf- Army Air Guard |

### FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Larry Harris (Healing, friend of Chris Hilgeman)  
Hazel Ruf (Mason Ruf's mother, home)  
Gary Kilgo (Health, Kay Baugher & Carol Quillen's family member)  
Karen Ferguson (Potter's Hand)  
Keith Clem (Healing, cousin of Chris Paysinger)  
Amy Cotten (Potter's Hand)  
Telula Thornton (Healing and Comfort, mother of Karan Baker)  
Martha Taylor (Healing, mother of John Cagle)  
Silvey Family (Healing, daughter, 3 years old)  
Maryann McKee (Healing, friend of Carol Copeland)  
Shannon Underwood (Healing, daughter of Barbara Welborn)  
Cadence Brooks (Healing, student of Cindy Witt)  
Karryl Anderson (Healing, Mexico mission supporter)  
Gerry Smith (Healing for knees and kidneys, cousin of Jan Ruth)  
Tim Swymer (Healing, Lauren Cagle's uncle)  
Kristie Whitt (Healing, daughter of Alice Whitt)  
Charlotte Pickett (visitor to the church)  
Ronnie Cottles (Healing, father-in-law of Michael & Gail Cottles)  
Patricia Cloninger (Healing, friend of Jan Ruth)  
Leigh Ann Looyenga (Healing, friend of Gina Haraway)  
MaryJo Ghadimi (Healing, friend of Matt Robinson)  
Allison Hargrove Bains (Sympathy, niece of Diann Copeland)  
Ullis Vaughn (homeless, asked prayers of the church)  
Great Uncle of Rosie Sims (Hospice)  
Laura Christopher (Healing, friend of Suzanne Paysinger)

### For Our Visitors:

We welcome you to worship and would love to connect with you personally. Prayer Request/Visitor cards are located in the pews. Please place it with the offering or give it to the pastor following the service. Thank you for worshiping with us today!

### Announcements:

- Play (or learn) Mahjong and other games each Monday night at Revival
- Potter's hand meets each Wednesday morning from 9-12
- Choir practice Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

### Staff

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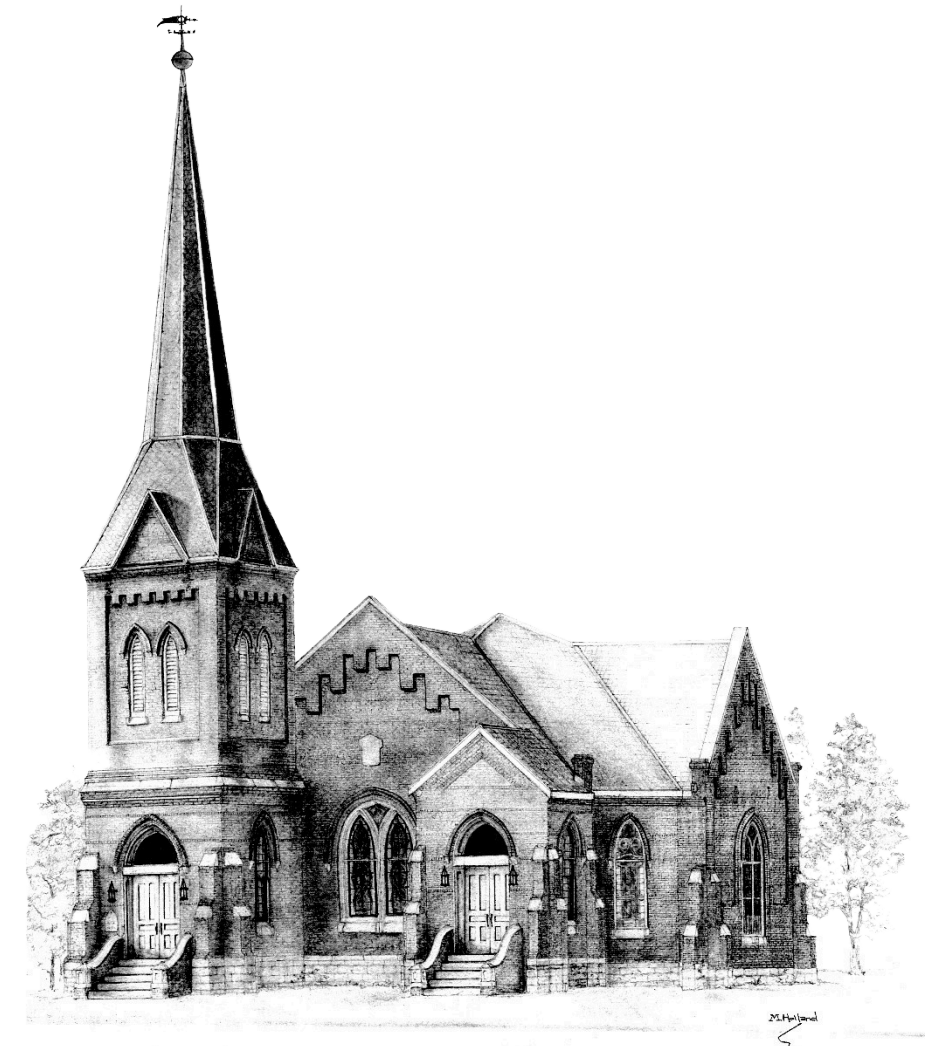
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