

Welcome to Worship!

Easter Sunday

April 1, 2018



“Cultivating Faith”

The women who went to the tomb to anoint Jesus after his burial, were overcome by fear and fled. Yet, Jesus had planted seeds of faith in them. Soon, their fear fell away (like the husk of a seed) and the seed of their faith began to grow.

Today’s Easter message explores how when the husk of our fears falls away, our faith can grow to become a source of hope for others.

“Trust in the LORD with all your heart.” Proverbs 3:5



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Helping People 'Say Yes' to God

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Welcome to worship at First UMC Baraboo. Our mission is 'Helping people 'Say Yes' to God. "Do no harm, do all the good you can and stay in love with God" are the three simple rules we seek to live by. As you wait for worship to begin, please sign the pew pad register. If you are a first time guest, please fill out a visitor card found in the pew racks. Children are always welcome in worship; 'busy bags' are available just outside the door to fellowship hall. Our staffed nursery is available for children infants thru age five.

Prelude

Barb Kell, Worship Musician

Ring of the Bell

Welcome

Introit

"Easter Joy" (Allen Pote)

Vocal Choir, directed by Charlene Flygt

†Call to Worship

Look, the stone has been rolled away

Jesus of Nazareth is not here...see the place where they laid him.

Be joyful! Christ is risen!

Let all the earth proclaim 'Alleluia!'

†Hymn

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

The U.M. Hymnal #302

Verses 1, 2, & 4

†Sharing an Easter Greeting

Please greet your neighbor with the words below, or another appropriate Easter greeting...

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

Children's Message

Yulia Yankovskaya

Children's Ministry Coordinator

Reading from the Psalms

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

his steadfast love endures for ever!

Let Israel say, 'His steadfast love endures for ever.'

The LORD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

'The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;

the right hand of the LORD is exalted;

the right hand of the LORD does valiantly.'

I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.

The LORD has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness,

that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me

and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Reading from the Christian Scripture

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Special Music

"Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice"
(Christopher Smart and Eugene Butler)
Vocal Choir, directed by Charlene Flygt

Reading from the Gospels

Mark 16:1-8

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

†Hymn

"Christ is Alive"
The U.M. Hymnal #318
Verses 1, 2 & 3

Reading from the Hebrew Scripture

Proverbs 3:5-6

Sermon

"Cultivating Faith"

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Marianne

Offering

†Offering Response

The U.M. Hymnal #95

†Prayer of Dedication (unison)

With resurrection humming in our hearts, we joyfully present these gifts to you, a tangible chorus of thanksgiving, a harmony of hope for your kingdom come! Amen.

Celebration of Holy Communion

- Remembrance (Words of Institution)
- Blessing (Prayer for the Holy Spirit)
- The Lord’s Prayer

The U.M. Hymnal #895

All are welcome to receive Communion this morning. You do not need to be a member of this church or a member of the United Methodist Church to receive. This is Christ’s table and we are all his guests. Those in the balcony will be served first. Please come forward using the center aisle. You will be offered a piece of bread which you can dip in the cup as it is offered to you. (We serve grape juice.) Gluten free Communion wafers are available upon request. You are invited to pray at the altar as desired, before returning to your pew using the side aisles. If you would prefer to be served in the pew, please alert one of the ushers.

Closing Prayer

†Hymn

“Thine Be the Glory”
The U.M. Hymnal #308

†Easter Benediction

Your light is the only light we need as we travel through life's mystery.

Your word the only voice we hear, that still small voice that leads us to the place where we should be

Your presence is the only company we need as we walk this narrow road

Your fellowship the warmth we crave to help us on our way

May the truth of Easter, the joy of Easter, and the blessings of Easter, be with us this day and all days. **Amen.**

†Postlude

† = Please rise if you are able

SERVING YOU TODAY...

- PastorMarianne Cotter
- Liturgist Kim Shrake
- Church OpenerAlice Schellenberger
- Greeter(s)..... Rajean Bender
- Ushers The Ortosns
- A/V Powerpoint & Booth Mike Hanson & Alice Schellenberger
- Worship Music Barb Kell

Thank you to the choir for providing special music!