

Highland Avenue
United Methodist Church
Season of Easter
Heritage Sunday
April 19, 2026
9:30 a.m.



GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

Words of Welcome

The Prelude: **“Sunset”**

The Call to Worship:

L. This is the day that the Lord has made.

P. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

L. So now, let us worship together!

*The Opening Hymn: **“The Church’s One Foundation”** UMH #545 vs. 1,4,5

Opening Prayer:

Almighty God, You have raised up servants to proclaim the gift of faith. And for those spiritual forbearers, like Jesse Lee – we give You thanks. In Lee’s ministry, through the difficulties, and in spite of weaknesses, You were his hope and his salvation. You led him to help create the rich heritage that is ours today. And so, on this Heritage Sunday, we, Your people, ask You to bless each of us, individually - with deeper love, clearer vision, and fresh energy – that we might serve You more fully. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Congregation’s Choice

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

The Scripture Lessons: **1 John 4: 7-12** New Testament pg. 327

A Time for Children

The Message: **“Meet Jesse Lee” - A Dialogue Sermon**

(with Dick Merriam as Jesse Lee)

Meditation in Music: **“I Will Glory in the Cross”**

A Time of Prayer

Celebrations and Concerns

(Continued on the back)

Prayer Responses:

‘For this gift –Thanks be to God!’ or

‘Lord, in Your mercy - ‘Hear our prayer’

Silent Prayer and Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer **UMH # 895**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

The Offering

*Doxology **UMH # 95**

*The Prayer of Dedication

*The Closing Hymn: **"Forward Through the Ages"** **UMH #555**

Benediction

Announcements and Prayer

The Postlude: **"Amazing Grace/Go in Out"**

LEAVING TO LOVE AND SERVE



Pastor Angela's Mom
Harold Aziz
Trisha Aziz
Tom Bailey
Geneva and Norman
Beckwith
June Black
Family of Dennis
Blassens
Michael Breed
Cathy Brissette
Russell Brown
Kendal Buck
Cameron (Ralph's
grandson)
Gretchen Clark
Dwight Cooper
Karen Crommett
Danielle
Barbara Dill
Donald
Donna & Mike
DiTaranto

Please pray for:

**Tanner Dostie and
family**

Crystal Farris
Armand Fournier
Phil Garwood
Harold & Lynn Gerard
Carol Sue
Giampitruzzi
Greg Giampetruzzi
Marge Gillman
The Guthrie Family
Vee Hanna's family
Samantha Hills
Nancy Holmes
Vicky Kelley
Bev. Fernald LaPlante
Michael LaPlante
Ann LeClair
Kevin Lee
Cathy & Mark
Leonard
Emily Long's grand
mother and
grandfather
Lois, sister-in-law of
Pat O'Connor
Jerry Lucas

Marcel
Betty and Michael
McCray
Steve McNelly
Joe Mertzel
David Meserve
Jim Meserve
The Mills Family
Ellen Minotty
Paula Moore
Herb Moreshead
Pat O'Connor
Dennis O'Driscoll
Olivia & Jed
Silvia Palmer
Linda Pare
Mary Parker
Carla Parsons
Peggy Philips
Joe Phillips
Cheryl and Paul
Poulin
Jessie Powell
Garry Prosser
Sylvia Quint
Judy Quintal

Alton Ranks
Sandra Robinson
Cody Russell
Sherman Family
Sandy Smith
Sullivan Smith
Laverne & Tim
Tardiff
Randy and Lisa Thibeau
Ellen Truman
Samantha Dunn Walker
Lorna Ulmer's
brothers
Wendy Vigue
Family of Derek
Vintinner
Jane Weir
Jonathan Williams
Bert Winslow
Irene Wise

People of the Middle
East
The Military
Border Concerns
People of Ukraine
Victims of Violence
Victims of Natural
Disasters
Kairos Prison Ministry