

Highland Avenue
United Methodist Church
Season of Easter
April 26, 2026
9:30 a.m.

GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

Words of Welcome

The Prelude: “Always Remember Me”

The Call to Worship: *(By Rebecca Gaudino, adapted):*

You who have touched the wounds of the world, You who have been wounded by the world,

Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God,

We have not seen you, Risen One. We have not touched you,

But we believe you are our Lord and our God.

You are our refuge in hurt and pain. You are the path of life.

You are our Lord and our God! Alleluia!

*The Opening Hymn: “Open My Eyes, That I May See” UMH #454

Opening Prayer:

Jesus of the Cross, Jesus of the Resurrection, we rejoice in you. For long before the experience of the cross, you defeated the powers of sin, pain, and death in the hurting people around you. And then *you* were struck down. But you defeated the cross and stood before your beloved disciples, as you are present today – alive again. We rejoice in you, Risen Savior, for you open before us your life-giving peace and power. You are our Lord and our God. Alleluia! Amen.

Congregation’s Choice

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

The Scripture Lessons: **John 20: 19-29**

1 Peter 1: 3-9

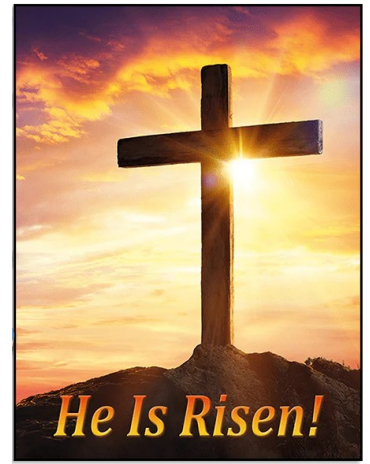
A Time for Children: “Believing What We Can’t See”

The Message: “Making Eye Contact”

Meditation in Music: “Until We Meet in Heaven” *Ralph Cheney and*

Sandy Nisbet

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A Time of Prayer

Celebrations and Concerns

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 (*insert*)

*The Closing Hymn: **"Christ Is Risen" UMH #307**

Benediction

Announcements and Prayer

The Postlude: **"Flight of Fancy"**



Pastor Angela's Mom

Harold Aziz

Trisha Aziz

Tom Bailey

Geneva and Norman
Beckwith

June Black

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

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

John Karny

Vicky Kelley

Bev. Fernald LaPlante

Michael LaPlante

Norine Leathers

Ann LeClair

Kevin Lee

Cathy & Mark

Leonard

Emily Long's mom,
grandmother and
grandfather

Lois, sister-in-law of

Pat O'Connor

Jerry Lucas

Marcel

Betty and Michael

McCray

Steve McNelly

Joe Mertz

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 Thibau

Ellen Truman

Samantha Dunn Walker

Lorna Ulmer's

brothers

Wendy Vigue

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