# **Broad Street United Methodist Church Second Sunday of Easter**

April 7, 2024

Welcome to the Broad Street United Methodist Church. We are happy you are here today. The order of worship is found in this bulletin. \*Indicates congregation stands, if able.

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Murray

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** 

PRELUDE

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us.

We declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and his Son Jesus Christ.

*HYMN	Christ is Risen	UMH 307
OPENING PRAYER (pray together)		Michele Hogan
O Lord, your wondrous birth n sacrifice mean nothing unless w risen alone. Raise and exalt us, to the state of glory; where with for ever and ever. Amen.	ve die to sin; your resurrection O Savior, both now to the esta	n means nothing if you be ate of grace and hereafter

HYMN	Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending	UMH 718
CHILDREN'S SERMON		Jalyn Sunshine
ANTHEM	Christus Resurrexit arr. Young	Sanctuary Choir

## WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God who encounters us and meets us in our fear, breathe into us the illuminating presence of your Holy Spirit, that, as your Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear what you have to say to us. Amen.

PSALTER READING

**UMH 850** 

Judy Schetler

Pastor James

Pastor James Murray

Michele Hogan

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 20:19-31

Marsha Danser

THE MESSAGE

A New Creation

Pastor James Murray

### WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE (pray responsively)

Marsha Danser

God of power and majesty:

With the rising of the sun you have raised Jesus Christ and delivered him and us from death's destruction. We praise you on this bright day for all your gifts of new life. Especially we pray:

for all victories over sin and evil in our lives for loyalty and love of friends and family for the newborn, the newly baptized, and those now in your eternal home for the renewal of nature for the continuing witness of the church of Christ. God of eternity: You are present with us because of Christ's rising from the dead, and you persist in lifting us to new life in him. We bring to you our prayers for this world in need of resurrection. Especially we pray: for nations and peoples in strife for the poor and impoverished, at home and abroad for those we know in particular circumstances of distress for the diseased and the dying for all who follow the risen Christ. Now let us pray for those dear to our hearts. We pray for\_\_\_\_\_ Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer. Amen.

#### WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION CONFESSION AND PARDON THE PEACE		UMH 12
OFFERING OFFERTORY HYMN *DOXOLOGY	Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus	UMH 462 UMH 95
*TAKING THE BREAD AND CUP *THE GREAT THANKSGIVING		UMH 15
*THE LORD'S PRAYER *BREAKING THE BREAD		

\*GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

## WE SCATTER TO SERVE CHRIST IN THE WORLD

\*HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

UMH 384

**\*WORDS OF BLESSING** 

Pastor James Murray

Peace be with you!

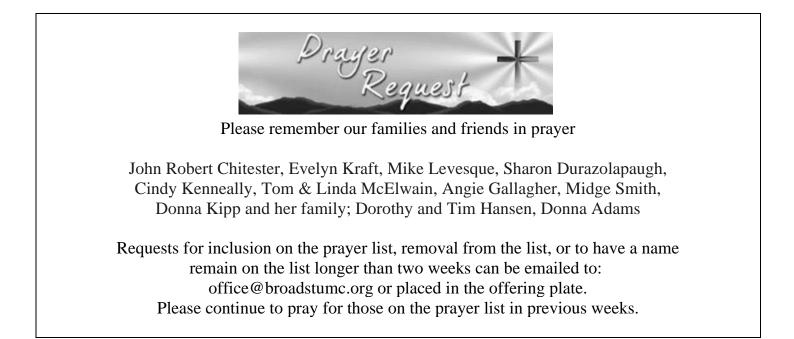
Amen.

POSTLUDE

Judy Schetler

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## The Communion Offering for April is designated for the Camden Neighborhood Center.



The Worship Committee will meet after church next Sunday, April 14, for a brief meeting.

There is no United Women in Faith meeting this Tuesday (it was listed erroneously in *The Beacon*). There is, however, a Leadership Development for UWF Central District (open to all women, not just officers) at Epworth UMC in Palmyra on Saturday, April  $13^{th}$ , from 10AM - 12Noon. Please let Betsy Grover or Faye Habingreither know if you're interested in attending so that they can RSVP with the number of women coming from Broad Street UMC.

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The Work Day Committee will meet Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, at 9:30AM in Lucas Hall. See Marsha if you are able to help.

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We have open dates for flower and bulletin dedications. Please see Jean Tomer if you'd like to sponsor one or both. If you have received a letter asking if you want to repeat your dedication from last year, please be sure to return that to the church office with your response at least two weeks before the date so we have time to get it in the bulletin or find a replacement.