

**April 12, 2026 2nd Sunday of Easter. Holy
humour Sunday**

Thought to ponder: *As soon as healing takes
place, go out and heal somebody else.* - Maya
Angelou

Welcome

Announcements, Life & Work of the Church

Prelude: Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

Passing the Peace:

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Acknowledgement of the Territories:

Christ Candle Lighting:

Call to Worship:

One: When our lives feel burdened, what
shall we do?

**All: When we need healing for our
bodies and souls, what shall we do?**

One: When all around us, things seem to be
in turmoil, to whom shall we turn?

**All: When no one seems to understand
our sorrow, to whom shall we turn?**

One: Lord, you lift our burdens!

**All: Lord, you heal our souls and
bodies!**

One: Lord, you calm the stormy seas of our
lives!

All: Lord, you understand our fears.

One: Thanks be to God.

All: Amen

Hymn: VU #166 Joy Comes With the Dawn

**Joy comes with the dawn;
 Joy comes with the morning sun;
 Joy springs from the tomb and
 Scatters the night with her song,
 Joy comes with the dawn.**

Weeping may come;
 Weeping may come in the night,
 When dark shadows cloud our sight.

Refrain

Sorrow will turn,
 Sorrow will turn into song,
 And God's laughter makes us strong.

Refrain

We will rejoice,
 We will rejoice, and give praise,
 To the One who brings us grace.

Refrain

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Gathering Prayer:

**Loving God, Creator of all, we come
 together with hearts wide open,
 seeking your gentle presence. We
 bring the brokenness of our lives, our
 communities, and our world, and we
 lift up our pain, grief, and fatigue to
 you. In this sacred space, we ask for
 your healing grace to surround us,
 leading us through our aching toward**

**your dream of wholeness. Holy Spirit,
breathe through our weariness, and
transform our grief into sacred peace.
Calm the storms within our hearts and
mend the divisions in our spirits.
May your compassion, which is the
medicine for all that hurts,
refresh our bodies, minds, and spirits
today. We gather in hope, trusting that
in community, we find the strength to
heal. Be with us now, and make us
whole. In the name of Jesus, the
Healer, we pray. Amen.**

Time for Young at Heart: We are All Healers

Hymn: MV #144 Like A Healing Stream

**Like a healing stream
in a barren desert,
Spirit water bringing life
to dusty earth,
God is trickling through our lives
As in a dream unfolding,
Promising revival and rebirth
Like a healing stream.**

**Like a gentle rain on a thirsty garden,
Spirit water come to nourish tiny seed,
God is bubbling through the soil
To coax a new creation,
Yearning for an end to want and need
Like a gentle rain.**

**Like a river strong
 with a restless current,
 Spirit water rushing
 on to distant shore,
 God is carving out a channel
 in a new direction,
 Calling for an end to hate and war
 Like a river strong.**

**Like a mighty sea
 reaching far horizons,
 Spirit water with a love
 both deep and wide,
 God is working in our hearts
 to shape a new tomorrow:
 God will always challenge and provide!
 Like a mighty sea, like a river strong,
 Like a gentle rain,
 like a healing stream.**

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Prayer of Illumination:

Scripture:

Mark 1:29-34 Jesus' First Healing

John 5: 2-9 Do you want to be healed?

Acts 3: 1-10 Peter and John heal the lame man

Ministry of Music: *Sit Down Servant*

Reflection: *The Healing Touch*

Hymn: VU #508 Just as I Am

**Just as I am, without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down;
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

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Prayers of the People:

One: Hear us,

All: Our Lord who heals

Lord's Prayer – A paraphrase: VU #916

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-
bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is
and that shall be. Father and Mother of
us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echo
through the universe!**

The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Generosity:

Prayer of Dedication:

God of New Life, out of the abundance of our lives, we offer these gifts to you. Through your blessing and our willingness to share, may these offerings become a source for healing, hope and love in this church, our families and in the community beyond us, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

Prayer of Confession:

Loving God, heal us. When we have run away, when we have turned our backs on love, when we have sought immediate satisfaction in a Movie and not long-term healing, help us. When we have been selfish, when we have been narrow minded, when we have

closed our ears to the cries of others,
 forgive us. Powerful God, heal us.
 When we are so broken we cannot
 move, when we don't know how to
 stem the bleeding of our own wounds,
 when we are too ashamed to seek
 your help, heal us. Forgiving God,
 please heal us from being critical; heal
 us from thinking our ideas are always
 the best ones, heal us when we act
 like we are better than others. Heal us
 God for doubting that we cannot be
 healed. Give us the courage, the
 strength, and the hope to accept and
 know that your crucifixion and
 resurrection are the strongest Healing
 Power this world will ever know.
 Amen.

Hymn: VU #352 *I Danced in the Morning*

vs 1,2,4,5

I danced in the morning
 when the world was begun,
 And I danced in the moon
 and the stars and the sun,
 And I came from heaven
 and I danced on the earth;
 At Bethlehem I had my birth.

**Dance, then, wherever you may be;
 I am the Lord of the dance, said he,
 and I'll lead you all,
 wherever you may be,
 and I'll lead you all
 in the dance, said he.**

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
 But they would not dance
 and they would not follow me;
 I danced for the fishermen,
 for James and John;
 They came with me
 and the dance went on.

Refrain

I danced on a Friday
 when the sky turned black;
 It's hard to dance
 with the devil on your back;
 They buried my body
 and they thought I'd gone,
 But I am the dance and I still go on.

Refrain

They cut me down and I leap up high;
 I am the life that will never, never die;
 I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
 I am the Lord of the dance, said he.

Refrain

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Benediction:

Sung Benediction: *Giver of New Life*

**O giver of new life,
 in Jesus Christ you came
 To bring us peace and joy,
 We praise your holy name.
 Hallelujah, Praise god hallelujah.
 Hallelujah, Praise God hallelujah.**

Bruce Harding 1997



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Announcements

March 29, 2026 Palm Sunday

Reader for this week: Jo Ann

Reader for next week: Lisa

Greeter this week: Jo Ann and Jean

Greeter next week: John and Muriel

Tellers this week: Jo Ann and Bonnie

Tellers next week: John and Muriel

A/V this week: Lisa

A/V next week: Al

Sunday 9:30 conversations on Zoom

10:00 service followed by coffee and
conversation in the hall

Wednesday 6:00 Choir rehearsal

Next Sunday 10:00 service followed by the 2025
AGM

The 2025 AGM is after the service on April 19

All the tea in China... if we had some china:

We are looking for **china teacups with matching saucers that you don't want returned.**

We are looking to borrow some **china teapots, these will be returned,** and if you have any **2 or 3 tier plates, that could be borrowed,** that would be fantastic.

Why do we need all that? We are having a **High Tea. April 25 from 2pm – 4. 50 tickets are available at \$40 ea.** Entertainment, high tea, and your chosen tea cup included. Funds support youth to conference.

Retreat! The retreat will be **May 23rd.**
 Registration forms available at the office.
 Cost is \$40. includes:
 3 – 50 minute workshops
 1 – 25 minute workshop
 Lunch from Knocks Café.

Books and puzzles

The youth group will be having a book and puzzle sale to raise funds for their trip to The Collective. Please bring in any books and complete puzzles you wish to donate.

Games Night: April 17 at 6:30 on the main floor. Bring friends, bring games, bring joy!

Good News and Caring Corner: If you have some good news you want shared with the congregation, let us know and we'll pass it on. If

there is someone you think should have a card from the caring corner for whatever reason, please see the attendant in the corner, or call the office.

VBS will be June 22-25. This year's theme: [Snowball Mountain Challenge](#)

Offering Envelopes are available at the office or on the table in the entryway. If you are using them for the first time, be sure to have your name and address on the first one so we can get you your tax receipt at the end of the year.

Grocery Cards: We will be available (as we are able) before and after church for you to purchase cards and cards are available for purchase in the office during regular business hours.

Contact information: Please keep your contact information and addresses updated so we can get information out to you. An inaccurate address may lead to delays for tax receipts. Thanks.

A reminder that you may be on our video presentation as we are broadcasting our services on Facebook.

Join in or listen to any of the Zoom calls via Internet using the link:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/179750852?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/179750852?pwd=7IAYtPHcGTE)
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If you know of anyone needing help, please contact the office or Rev. Jenn Brown.