



*He is risen;*  
*he is not here.* MARK 16:6

# WARREN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

March 31, 2024

Easter Sunday

*Welcome to First Methodist Church.*

*Please use the Music of Preparation as an opportunity to  
prepare your hearts for worship.*

*SIGN AND PASS the attendance pad at the end of the pew. If you are visiting with us, we would especially appreciate having your name, address, and phone number because we would like to thank you for being with us.*

## **MUSIC OF PREPARATION**

(8:00 AM Only)

“Victory in Jesus”

arr. Bock

“Easter Medley”

arr. Hayes

## **MUSIC OF PREPARATION**

(10:00 AM Only)

“Rondeau”

Mouret

“Alleluia”

Mozart

“Were You There?”

arr. Hamlin

“Christ Arose!”

Douglas Wagner

## **\*AN EASTER AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*unison*)

We believe in an amazing God who surprises us on Easter morn, who has the last laugh on evil, who never gives up loving and working for good, who weeps at our Good Fridays and transforms our tears into alleluias.

We believe in the risen Christ, not stuck in a tomb of despair, nailed to a dead-end future, or buried in the past, but alive, available, and willing to walk with us on the ups and downs, the ins and outs of our journey.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the invisible presence, the divine wind of joy, of hope, of possibility. We believe the Spirit creates a community of compassion, welcome, and such aliveness that the whole world is tinged with wonder and hope.

We believe we are to live as an Easter people, grinning with hope, contagious with joy, and boundless in love.

**\*HYMN No. 251**

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

Easter Hymn

**WELCOME**

**ANTHEM**

“Jesus Is Alive! Alleluia!”

arr. Larry Shackley

(10:00 AM only)

**CONCERNS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER** (using sins)

*Our Father; who art in heaven Hallowed be Thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth,  
As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power; and the glory, forever.  
Amen.*

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

“Worthy Is the Lamb”

Pepper Cholpin

(10:00 AM only)

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

(10:00 AM only)

\*Doxology No. 682

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Offertory Prayer

**\*HYMN No. 260**

“Resurrection Hymn”

**A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Rev. Bud Fickley

**SCRIPTURE**

“John 20:1 - 18”

Pew Bible Pages 988 - 989

**MESSAGE**

“Name Calling”

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Hecht

**\*HYMN No. 261**

“I Know that My Redeemer Lives”

Truro

**BENEDICTION**

**RESPONSE**

“Hallelujah Chorus”

Handel

*Tradition has it that “The Messiah” was first performed in London in the year 1743, when the chorus came to the phrase “For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth,” King George II and the audience were so moved with the reverence that they stood in respect and remained standing until the chorus had ended. As such, it has become a tradition in the English speaking world to stand for the singing of the “Hallelujah Chorus.”*

*The appropriate response at the conclusion of this work is reverent silence.*

*We thank you in advance for your understanding.*

**BEARING OF THE LIGHT**

(10:00 AM only)

**POSTLUDE**

(8:00 AM)

“He Is Exalted”

Twila Paris

**POSTLUDE**

(10:00 AM)

“The Strife Is O’er”

arr. Hopson

**MUSIC** today is provided by organist Michele Sandberg, pianists Michele Sandberg and Ruth Nelson, percussionist David Dorn, the Chancel Choir, and the Epworth Handbell Ringers. Michele Sandberg and the Madrigals are providing the music at the 8:00 AM service.

**ANYONE WHO WOULD** like to join the Chancel Choir to sing the “Hallelujah Chorus” is welcome to come to the front of the church during the last hymn. Copies of The Messiah are available at the end of each altar rail.

**LITURGIST** today is Rev. Bud Fickley.

**ACOLYTES** today are Ian Montour and Anna McCord .

**THE CRUCIFER** today is Holden Demers.

**USHERS** today are Team 4— Rusty Blodgett, Jim Reynolds, Larry Sutton, Ron Casteel, Tom Lobdell, and Bob White.

**CONCERNS FOR THIS WEEK** ~ Mrs. Shirley Witherell, 418 East Street, Warren, PA 16365. Please consider sending her a card.

**SPECIAL OFFERING FOR TORNADO RELIEF** ~ The Indian Lake region of the Allegheny West Conference in Western Ohio was devastated by tornadoes in the early hours of Friday, March 15. While the immediate needs are being cared for by state and national relief organizations, we anticipate the need for support to grow in the coming weeks. This Easter, all offerings will be dedicated to the relief efforts. Your generous gifts will be used to assist local disaster responders in Western Ohio, ensuring needs are met even after state and national responders withdraw.

**EVENING OF PRAYER AND PRAISE** ~ We invite you to join Rev. Bud Fickley and the prayer ministry of First Methodist Church for an evening of prayer and praise on Sunday, April 14th, at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary. The evening will feature a blend of corporate and personal prayer, scripture reading, intercessory prayer, and uplifting music by talented members of our congregation. Come, lift your voices to God as we hold each other, our community, and our world before God in prayer.

**NEW MEMBER FELLOWSHIP CLASS** ~ For those interested in joining First Methodist Church, we will have a New Member Fellowship Class starting in mid-April.

**BOY SCOUTS** ~ In support of the Chief Cornplanter Council, BSA's four-day Cub Scouts camp this June 13th—June 16th, we are asking for paper plates, napkins, forks, ketchup, and mayonnaise donations. A collection box for donated items is located by the nursery. Thank you for your support.

**SCHOLARSHIP** ~ Applications for The Mary F. & Melvin G. Keller Scholarship of The First Methodist Higher Education Fund for the 2024—2025 school year are being accepted until April 30, 2024. Applications can be picked up in the office or online at [www.firstmwarren.org](http://www.firstmwarren.org).

**RUMMAGE SALE** ~ The dates for the Annual Rummage Sale are April 26th and April 27th. Put these dates on your calendar as you begin your Spring Cleaning. Special note: NO ITEMS WILL BE RECEIVED BEFORE APRIL 15th.

**BOOK CLUB** ~ The Book Club will meet on Wednesday, April 3, at 1:00 PM in the Covert Room.

# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

## March 31, 2024 - April 6, 2024

### SUNDAY

*Happy Easter!*

**8:00 AM Service of Word and Sacrament; Crary Chapel**

**8:45 AM Fellowship; Covert Room**

**9:00 AM Class Meeting; Parlors**

**9:45 AM Prayer; Crary Chapel**

**10:00 AM Worship Service; Sanctuary**

### MONDAY

*Office Closed*

**6:45 AM Christian Men's Accountability Group**

**4:30 PM Monday Nite Meal—Team D; Founder's Hall**

**6:00 PM Incarceration Support; Everts Room**

**6:30 Silver Winds Flute Rehearsal; Sanctuary**

### TUESDAY

**8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool**

**8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class**

**8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours**

**12:30 PM Tuesday Afternoon Study; Covert Room**

**1:45 PM Peals of Praise; Sanctuary**

**4:00 PM Madrigals; Music Room**

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**8:20 AM - 11:15 AM 3 Year Old Preschool**

**8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Pre K Class**

**8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Office Hours**

**8:45 AM Moms of Minis; Covert Room**

**10:30 AM Chosen Training; Parlor B**

**1:00 PM Worship Staff Meeting; Rev. Hecht's Office**

**6:00 PM Youth Group; Everts Room**

**6:30 PM Chancel Choir; Music Room**

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**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours**

### FRIDAY

**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Office Hours**

**12:00 PM Senior Citizen Lunch; Founder's Hall**

### SATURDAY

**3:00 PM Girl Scouts Father-Daughter Dance; Founder's Hall**



***LILIES, ASSORTED FLOWERS***

***AND***

***CONTRIBUTIONS***

***GIVEN FOR THE GLORY OF***

***ALMIGHTY GOD***

***IN MEMORY AND IN HONOR OF LOVED ONES***

***AND FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT***

***2024***

***IN LOVING MEMORY OF:***

*Jennifer Taylor Aponte*

*Jane Betts*

*My Loving Husband Bill*

*John W. Bimber*

*Daivd Bremer*

*James and Florence California*

*Rev. and Mrs. J. Paul Ciampa*

*Ronald Clover*

*Steve and Marcia Cosmano*

*Brent Crandall*

*Alan Crone*

*John Crone*

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*John Crone*

*Glenn Culbertson*

*Brita and Donald Dorn*

*John and Mary Dudick*

*Peter and Barbara Dudick*

*Janet Evan*

*Karen Ewing*

*Carroll Fowler*

*Robert and Marilyn Frycklund*

***GIVEN BY:***

*Klaus Lichte*

*Chad and Tawni Betts*

*Dee Dee*

*Kathy, John A. Bimber,  
Victor, Courtney, Ava and Veronica Pierce*

*Heidi Ketzko and Family*

*Mark, Patty and Jared*

*John and Sylvia Slaney*

*Linda Clover*

*Jim and Stephanie Tannler*

*Neal and Peggy Twist*

*Shirley Crone*

*John and Sylvia Slaney*

*Caroline and David Dorn and Family*

*Their Grandchildren*

*Their Family*

*Neal and Peggy Twist*

*Norm Ewing*

*John Slaney*

*Montour, Enserro, and Dorunda Families*



***IN LOVING MEMORY OF:***

*Harold and Margaret Gesin*

*Jacqueline and Cassandra  
Giambrone*

*Alice Hannold*

*Addyson Hultquist*

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*Gladys Judd*

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*Lois Kashella  
Melissa Kashella*

*Mary Kay  
Milton and Eloise Kay*

*James B. and Mary Jane Kemp*

*Christine Kintner*

*Ernest and Lois Knapp*

*Gloria Lichte  
Nancy Lichte*

*Monroe Marshall*

*Irene Reichard and Ella Mauk*

*David and Mary Merenick*

*Mary and Chet Munksgard*

*Eugene and Phyllis O'Neill*

***GIVEN BY:***

*Their Grandchildren*

*Michael, Debbie, Nicholas, and Kayla  
Giambrone*

*Patty and Bill Hannold*

*Matt and Alexa Hultquist*

*Mark, Michelle, Cody, and Jared Bupp  
And Heather Cianciosi*

*Shirley Crone*

*John and Sylvia Slaney*

*Neal and Peggy Twist*

*Tracy Brieger*

*Alan and Mary Jo Zubrod*

*Chris's Family*

*Neal and Peggy Twist*

*Klaus Lichte*

*John Slaney*

*Denny and LuAnn Munksgard*

*The Family*

*Denny and LuAnn Munksgard*

*Kathy, John A. Bimber,  
Victor, Courtney, Ava and Veronica Pierce*

***IN LOVING MEMORY OF:***

*Loved Ones*

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*Edward S. Ord*

*Joanne Ord*

*Ralph Ord*

*Ralph Ord II*

*Ralph Ord*

*Our Parents:*

*Dwight and Jeannette Silzle*

*Ab and Cora Briggs*

*Dammond Park*

*Nathan Park*

*Michael Park*

*Nathan Park*

*Nathan Park*

*Connie and Jenny Reichard*

*Anne Simmons*

*Richard Tannler*

*Raymond Taylor*

*Ernest and Agnes Twist*

*Edward and Sugar Voty*

*Denny, Tom, and Tim Voty*

*Bebe Warren*

*Lawrence "Red" Whitten*

***GIVEN BY:***

*Nancy L. Johnson*

*Tom and Dottie Lobdell*

*Audree Ord and Family*

*Lynn Ord*

*David and John Slaney*

*Bob and Sharon Silzle*

*Klaus Lichte*

*The Jack Park Family*

*John Slaney*

*Denny and LuAnn Munksgard*

*Patty and Bill Hannold*

*Jim and Stephanie Tannler*

*Klaus Lichte*

*Neal and Peggy Twist*

*Michael, Debbie, Nicholas, and Kayla  
Giambrone*

*Heidi Ketzko and Family*

*Wife, Helen*

***IN HONOR OF:***

*My Children and Grandchildren*

*Carmen Culbertson*

*Church Family*

*Our Beautiful Family*

*Ruth Nelson*

*Micky Sandberg*

*Shallin and Tim Shelby,*

*Aliya and Landon,*

*Danielle and Rich Pearson*

*Helen Whitten*

*Rhett and Aubrey Wood*

***GIVEN BY:***

*Heidi Ketzko*

*Caroline and David Dorn and Family*

*Bonnie and Nano*

*Tom and Dottie Lobdell*

*Tracy Brieger*

*Denny and LuAnn Munksgard*

*Daughter, Laura*

*Jim and Stephanie Tannler*

***FLOWER FUND GIFTS***

*In Memory of*

*Benjamin and Mildred Bumbarger*

***GIVEN BY:***

*Donna Bumbarger*

*Heidi Ketzko*

**PEDESTAL FLOWERS** today are given in honor of Alyssa Morrison, given by Hannah and Heidi Ketzko.