

**Anthone Community Methodist Church
Easter Sunday
Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson
April 5, 2026@ 10:00 a.m.**

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" UMH #302

Call to Worship Liturgist: Erin Baird

L: Praise the Lord!

P: Praise God in the sanctuary.

L: Praise God in the vault of heaven.

P: Praise God in the earth and skies.

L: Sing praises to the Lord.

P: Shout and sing praises to God.

L: We have witnessed God's mighty acts.

P: We have seen the Lord's greatness.

L: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord.

P: Let everything that draws breath praise the Lord! AMEN.

Opening Prayer

**We hear your calling, Lord; how can we keep from singing?
How can we keep our lips from proclaiming the good news,
that Jesus Christ is risen, bringing healing and forgiveness to all?
From the life in his blood he has freed us, making us a royal
priesthood. Whether we have seen or believe without seeing, we
have found life in his name. In Christ's name, we give thanks and
praise. AMEN.**

Special Music "Calvary Covers It All" Roger Hladik

We Hear God's Word

First Reading John 20: 1-18

Second Reading Responsively Psalm 121: 1-8 UMH #844

Hymn of Preparation "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" UMH #304

Gospel Reading Matthew 21: 1-10

Today's Message "Rejoice, Rejoice, He is Risen" Shirley

God Calls Us to Respond

**PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE (Joys and Concerns)
The Great Thanksgiving Holy Communion UMH #9
The Lord's Prayer**

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology #95

Prayer of Dedication

**ALL: In our songs and in our words, we give praise to you, Lord. In
our worship, study, and service, we bless you. Loving God, you
complete us and fill our every need. For all that you have done;
for all that you have given to us, we worship you. Beautiful
savior,with all that we are, and with all that we have, we offer
you our thanks and praise. AMEN.**

Closing Hymn "Because He Lives" UMH #364

Sending Forth with Blessing

Special Music "Were You There" Erin Baird

Postlude

Ministers.....EVERYONE!
Lay Pastor.....Shirley Nelson
Liturgist.....Erin Baird
Organist/Pianist.....Eileen Van Meeteren

IN THE CIRCLE OF OUR CONCERN:

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church,
Our community leaders, our president, our farmers, Bobby Lewis,
Tom & Cindy Herrick, Ed and Carol Davis, Alta Patterson, Trisha Theisen,
Eleanore Lewis, Rick Gubbels, Lana Kropf, Tracy Lewis, Bettina Perkins,

Elwanda Sheriff, Kathy Hodgdon, Evelyn & Larry Dicks (Becky Marshall's parents), Jerry & Eileen Klindt, Lyle & Sally Schram, Roger Nelson, Will Hoy, Betty Nelson, Connie Ashley, and Barb Madsen.
Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Today: Lord has Risen. Happy Easter

April 9: Women of Faith Meeting 10:30 a.m

April 13: Finance and Ad Board Meeting. 4:30

April 15: Delivery of Food to Shut Ins

Attention: May baskets will be delivered to our nursing home residents. If you would like to help with this project, contact Shirley or Kathy.

Mission Projects:

We will be having our \$1 only rummage sale again this year, when the town is having their spring garage sales. Start gathering your donations now.

April Liturgists: April 12– Duane Brandt; April 19- Roger Hladik; April 26- Tim Hoy

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries: Gaige Miller (5), Rhonda Beeson (6), Tyler Hoy (12)

March/April Upper Room Devotionals are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Anthon Military: To our men and women in uniform.... past, present and future, God Bless You and Thank You! **If you have a loved one connected to the service, please let us know.**

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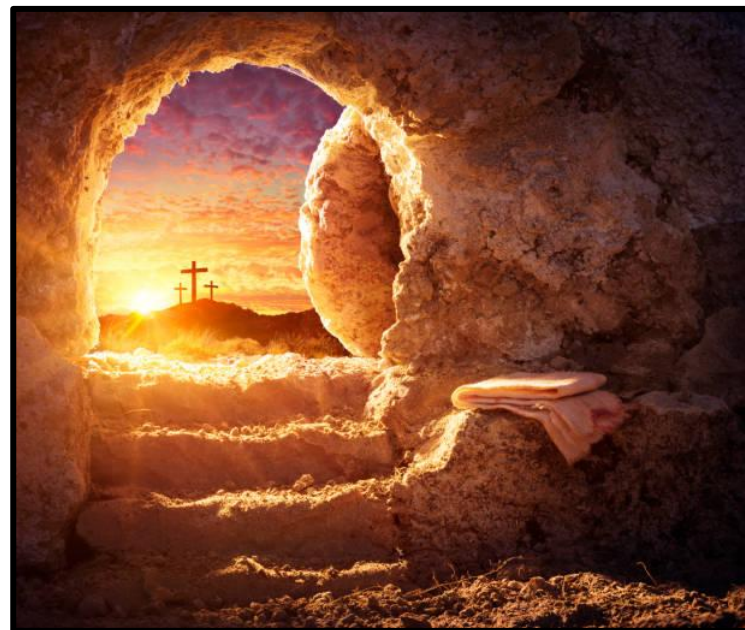
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HE IS RISEN!!!