

**Anthone Community Methodist Church
2nd Sunday of Easter
Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson
April 12, 2026@ 10:00 a.m.**

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song "He Lives" **UMH #310**

Call to Worship **Liturgist: Duane Brandt**

L: The joy of the Resurrection is still with us! Praise the Lord!

P: Through Christ, we have victory over sin and death!

L: A week has passed, yet the empty tomb remains. Christ has given us a new birth into a living hope.

P: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

L: This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

All: Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Heavenly Father, Thank You for the Sunday after. Thank You that the tomb is still empty and Your Spirit is still moving. We invite you into this service today. Shake off our sluggishness and renew our wonder. Whether we are bursting with faith or clinging to a mustard seed of hope, meet us right where we are. We are here to see You, to hear You, and to follow You. Let the joy of the Resurrection be our strength this week. AMEN.

We Hear God's Word

First Reading I Peter 1: 3-9

Second Reading Responsively Psalm 16 **UMH #748**

Hymn of Preparation "Breathe on Me , Breath of God" **UMH #420**

Gospel Reading John 21: 1-23

Today's Message "Life after Easter" Kathy Hodgdon

God Calls Us to Respond

**PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE (Joys and Concerns)
The Lord's Prayer**

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology #95

Prayer of Dedication

ALL: Lord God, we thank You for the reminder in Your Word that You meet us in the ordinary moments of our lives—even after a long night of empty nets. We dedicate this offering to You, acknowledging that every good thing we have comes from Your hand. AMEN.

Closing Hymn "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" **UMH #175**

Sending Forth with Blessing

Postlude

Ministers.....EVERYONE!

Lay Pastor.....Shirley Nelson

Liturgist.....Duane Brandt

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:

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

April 15: Delivery of Food to Shut Ins

May 10: Mother's Day. Muffins for Mom's served before and after church.

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:

Anthon will be holding their town rummage. We will be having a \$1 only rummage. Everything will be priced at \$1 and proceeds will be donated to mission committee. No clothes please. Knick knacks, small appliances, magazines, coffee cups, kitchen items, CD's, DVD's, wall hangings, etc. Please drop off in the first large Sunday School room.

April Liturgists: April 19- Roger Hladik; April 26- Tim Hoy

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries: Nick Boggs; Tom Herrick (13), Kathy Hodgson (16), Randy Wolfe (19).

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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