

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, April 1 ~ Easter Sunday

TUESDAY, April 3

- 5:30 PM - Missions/Outreach Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 PM - Women's Prayer Group (Upstairs Chapel)
- 7:15 PM - Church Council (Fellowship Hall)

WEDNESDAY, April 4

- 9:30 AM - Ministerium Meeting (at Coco's Coffeehouse)
- 3:15 PM - Bible Discovery (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:45 PM - Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, April 5

- 6:30 PM - Small Group (at the Parsonage)
- 7:00 PM - Al-Anon (Fellowship Hall)

FRIDAY, April 6

- 10:00 AM - Make Sandwiches for Pittsburgh Homeless

SATURDAY, April 7

- 9:00 AM - Lay Ministries School

SUNDAY, April 8

- 8:30 AM - Early Service
- 9:30 AM - Sunday School
- 11:00 AM - Worship Service

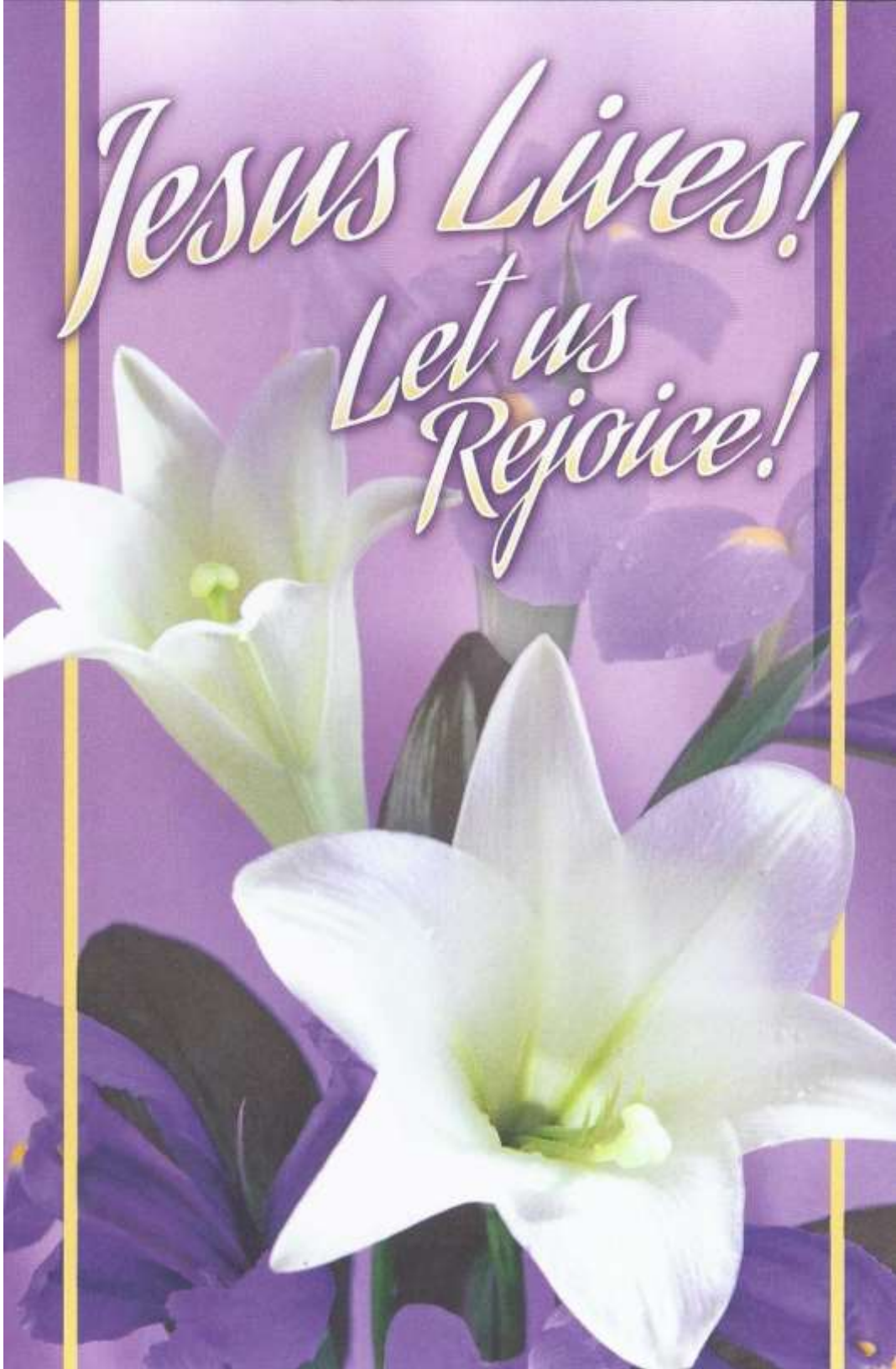
RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

March 25, 2018

8:30 Early Service	30	Current Exp.....	\$ 4,588.32
11:00 AM Service	100	Connectional Appt.	352.00
S.S. Attendance.....	40		\$ 4,940.32
Weekly Avg.....	96	Sunday School Avg	33
Bldg. & Repair	618.00	Renovation Phase II	395.00
Missions.....	250.00	Lenten Box.....	119.32
PATH	220.00	Food Bank	45.00
Lilies	10.00	Easter Offering	65.00
Bible Discovery.....	35.00		

2018 Connectional Apportionment Asking - \$21,688
 Amount received as of 3/25/2018 - \$ 5,421.99 (25.0%)
 Amount still due Conference - \$16,266.01

Renovation Fund Phase II Loan - \$60,000
 Amount still due Credit Union 2/28/2018 - \$41,375.43



First United Methodist Church

“Growing, Loving & Serving in Christ’s Name”

Rev. Jerrad R. Peterman, Pastor
Lori A. Klingensmith, Choir Director
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As the music begins, be silent, be thoughtful, and be reverent, for this is the House of the Lord. Before the service, speak to the Lord. During the service, let the Lord speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.

- **PRAYER REQUEST CARDS** are in the pew racks and will be collected during the opening hymn.
- The **NURSERY** is available upstairs in the Educational Building for parents who feel the need to take their children there.
- **ACTIVITY BAGS** are available in the Overflow Area for those children who wish to remain in the service.
- **GUESTS** – Please fill out a visitor’s card from the pew racks and place it in the offering plate so we may have a record of your visit. We hope you will join us again.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHOIR “He Has a Great Name”

EASTER AFFIRMATION

Christ IS Risen!

He Is Risen Indeed!

OPENING PRAISE “Alive! Alive!” Children

❖CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Out of the darkness of grief and despair comes a message of hope. Christ is risen.

P: Christ is risen, indeed.

L: We run to the tomb to see for ourselves. And it is true. Christ is risen.

P: Christ is risen, indeed.

L: We hear a voice call our name, and we know our risen Lord is with us now and always. Christ is risen.

P: Christ is risen, indeed.

Thanks be to God.

❖OPENING HYMN “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” #302

❖OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Loving, Powerful God, joy floods over our souls on this day! Christ is risen! Fear is vanquished! Open our hearts and our spirits to receive fully the joy which has been given for us! Let us celebrate the victory of Christ and the hope for the future! Amen.

FIRST READING John 20:1-18 page 944

◇CHILDREN’S MOMENT Courtney Riffer

MORNING PRAYER (and The Lord’s Prayer in unison)

◇ANTHEM “In Christ Alone/The Solid Rock”

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(During the cold and flu season, please feel free to extend a verbal greeting to your neighbor.)

❖HYMN “In the Garden” #314

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 8:28-39 page 983

SERIES: “God’s Action in Symbols of the Crucifixion”
from “He Chose the Nails” by Max Lucado

SYMBOLS: 12 & 13 The Burial Clothing and the Empty Tomb

MESSAGE: **“Conquering Death”**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

◇OFFERTORY 2 Corinthians 9:11-12

❖DOXOLOGY #95

❖OFFERTORY PRAYER

❖HYMN “Up From the Grave He Arose” #322

❖BENEDICTION

❖COMMUNITY BLESSING “He Lives” #310

POSTLUDE

❖Congregation please stand, if able ~ ◇Denotes 11:00am service only

The **ROSEBUD ON THE ALTAR** is in celebration of the birth of Robert Dean Miller, III born on March 15, 2018. He is the son of Rachael McCloskey and Robert Miller, and the brother of Stephen and Lizzi McCloskey, Tony, William, Allen, and Aleasha Harvey, and Mike Herbinko, and the newest grandson of Elizabeth Harvey.



A memorial was given to the Building & Repair Fund in honor of the life of:

✝ **Tony Quarato, Jr.**
by Gloria Womer