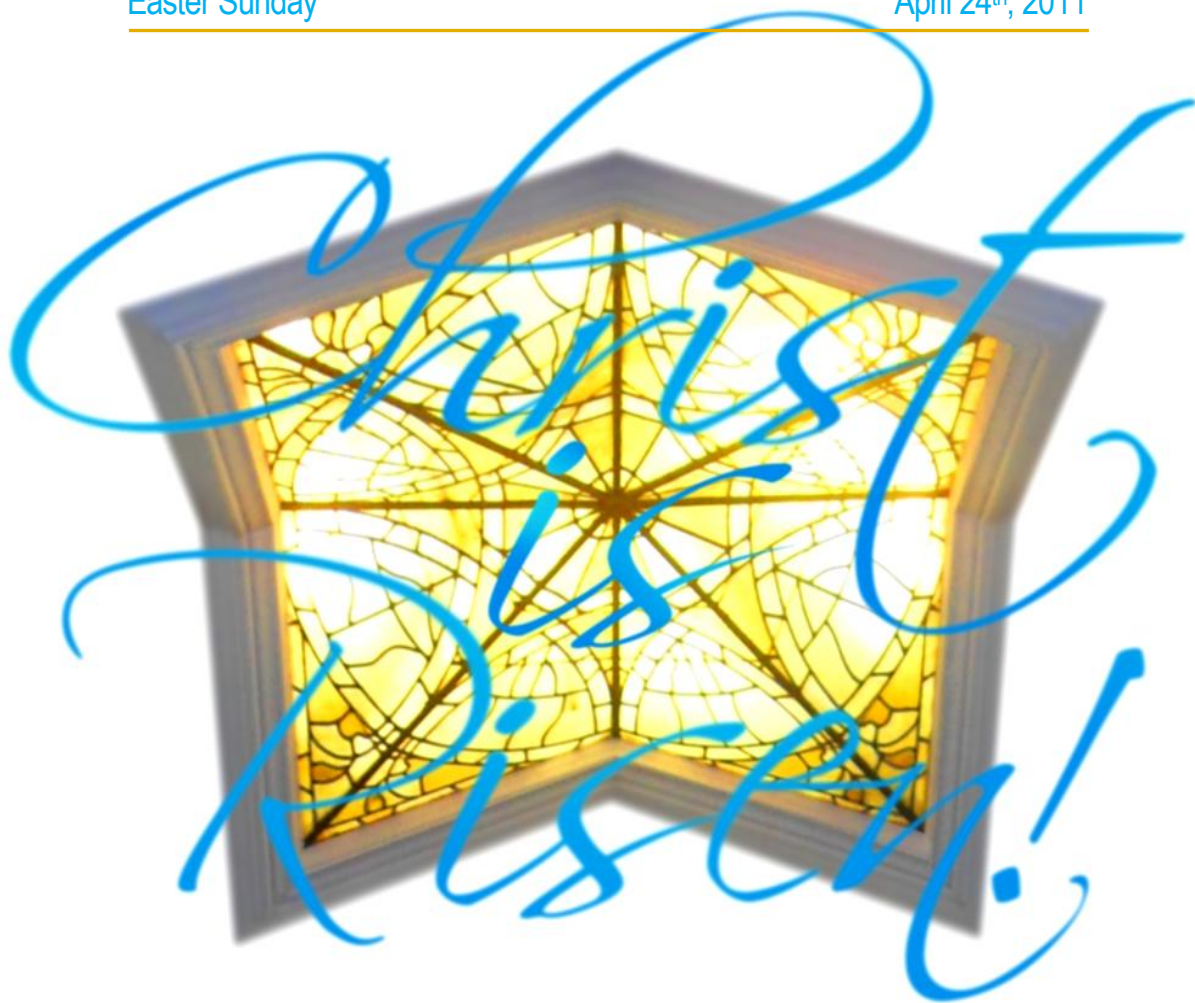


The Sunday Bulletin
First United Methodist Church of Mount Clemens

Easter Sunday

April 24th, 2011



Reverends Carman & Donna Minarik, Pastors

... He is not here; for he has been raised ...

~ Matthew 28:6

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Welcome to Worship!

First United Methodist Church is a welcoming, accepting, caring, and diverse Christian community committed to teaching the gospel of Jesus Christ to all people through faith-based worship, exciting programs and outreach ministry. We offer two opportunities for worship on Sunday mornings. The 9:15am service is a less formal, contemporary service of praise music. The 11:00am service is more traditional in its music and liturgy. Both services are designed to connect worshippers with God in a meaningful and relevant way, and the scripture and message are the same at each.

Your participation in worship today is truly a blessing. We welcome an opportunity to talk with you about the ministries of this congregation, the Christian faith or United Methodist beliefs. If you are interested in baptism or making this community of faith your church home, please contact Reverend Carman Minarik or Reverend Donna Minarik at the Church Office.

- ◆ Flowers adorning the Sanctuary this morning are presented to the glory of God.

A list of flower dedications can be found on the page 9.

- ◆ A calendar for dedicating flowers is located on the door of the Sacristy in the East Parlor which is on the right side of the front of the Sanctuary. For more information see the *Odds & Ends* Section.

- ◆ A staffed nursery for infants and children to three years of age is just outside the doors on the right side of the front of the Sanctuary.

- ◆ A "cry room" is located at the rear of the Sanctuary.

It is equipped with rocking chairs and quiet toys where you may comfort a child while hearing the service.

- ◆ All are welcome to Fellowship Hour for snacks, beverages, and, of course, fellowship!

Come to the Multipurpose Room between services on Two Service Sundays, or after service on Single Service Sundays.

<i>Serving as Greeters Today are:</i>	At the 9:15am Service	At the 11:00am Service	<i>Entrance</i>
	Barbara Knuth & Julie Strayer	Barbara Hanna	<i>East</i>
	Sandy & Tom Baber	Jan & Tony Hudock	<i>West</i>
	Toshi Arketa	Shirley Champion	<i>Cass</i>

If you'd like to greet before a service, please mark your Activity & Ministry Opportunity Sheet or speak with Joyce Wells.

- ◆ First Church's current and recent *Bulletins* are also available on the church website (www.mountclemensumc.org).

Worship Notes

~ 9:15am Service ~

Praise Singing Led by Oasis Praise in Today's Service Includes:

<i>Celebrate Jesus</i>	Moen
<i>That's Why We Praise Him</i>	Walker
<i>The Wonder of Your Cross</i>	Mark
<i>Hope to Carry On</i>	Mullins

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 27:62 thru 28:7

Pew Bible, NT Pgs. 33 & 34

Sermon

Seed of Hope!

Rev. Donna Minarik

Also in Today's Service

Offertory Music

Crown Him with Many Crowns
The Chapel Bells with Justin Cilia, trumpet

Dobrinski

Especially for Children

This worship service includes a message especially for the children. The children are invited to come to the chancel steps and hear the message. Afterwards Children can return to sit with their families. A staffed nursery for infants and children to three years of age is located through the doors at the right side of the front of the Sanctuary. A "cry room" is located at the rear of the Sanctuary. It is equipped with rocking chairs and quiet toys where you may comfort a child while hearing the service.

"Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving! Make melody to our God!" ~ Psalm 147:7

The musicians invite and encourage you to sing along, clap along, or participate in the music however the Spirit moves you when the words to the songs are projected on the screen.

Order of Worship

~ 11:00am Service ~

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Crown Him with Many Crowns
The Chapel Bells with Justin Cilia, trumpet

Dobrinski

* Call to Worship

Leader: The tomb is empty.

People: Sound the trumpet.

Leader: The Lord is risen!

People: Sound the trumpet!

Leader: Christ leads us on the road to life!

People: Sound the trumpet!

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is here! Alleluia!

* Opening Hymn

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today
(verses 1 through 4)

Hymnal #302

Sharing of Celebrations & Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Anthem	<i>Easter Dawns With Glory</i> The Chapel Bells with Jhericca Byrdo, tuba, Justin Cilia, trumpet, Matthew Sands, french horn, & Angela Hart, trumpet	Lantz
Offertory	<i>Rejoice, the Lord is King</i> Bonnie Robbins-McCormick, piano, & Michael Emshwiller, organ	Arr. Larson
*Doxology	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	Hymnal #94
*Prayer of Dedication		
We bring our gifts to you in response to good news. Christ is risen indeed and abides with us still. May all that we do be in response to new life. Accept who we are, receive what we bring, and extend your grace through us so that we proclaim the risen Christ to all. Amen.		
*Hymn of Preparation	<i>Christ Is Alive</i>	Hymnal #318
Scripture Lesson	Matthew 27:62 thru 28:7	Pew Bible, NT Pgs. 33 & 34
Sermon	<i>Seed of Hope!</i>	Rev. Donna Minarik
*Closing Hymn	<i>Crown Him with Many Crowns</i>	Hymnal #327
*Blessing & Sending Forth		
Postlude	<i>Venite</i>	Emshwiller

*Those able are invited to stand.

Parish News

Next New Member Orientation

A New Member Orientation will be held on Sunday, May 15th, from 2:00pm to 4:30pm, in the Multipurpose Room. If you are interested in joining the church or just want to learn more about this congregation, we'd love to have you as part of this gathering. **Please mark your Ministry Opportunity Sheet or contact the Church Office, to let us know if you'll be attending. If you'll need childcare during the orientation, please note that as well.**

Music, Inspiration & Celebration at MusiCamp!

That's right! MusiCamp! time is drawing near again! Last year, forty young people and twenty-five adult volunteers helped bring a musical to life in a week, and we are here to do it again! *It's Cool in the Furnace* is this year's show, and it is a musical about Nebuchadnezzar and the young prophet Daniel and his friends Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Come sing and celebrate with us from 9:00am to 12:30pm on Tuesday, June, 21st, through Saturday, June 25th, in preparation for the performance of the musical during a special single worship service at 10:00am on Sunday, June 26th. If you have children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews, neighbors or others who would like to participate, and/or you'd like to volunteer for the MusiCamp!, speak with Director of Music & Worship Ministries, Michael Emshwiller, and/or contact the Church Office. **You can also sign up for a callback on your Ministry Opportunity Sheet today!** We look forward to seeing YOU at MusiCamp!

Women With Faith Now Collecting Items for *June's Treasures Resale Shoppe*

Women with Faith will continue with *June's Treasures* in memory of June Winbiger. If you have any items for the Resale Shoppe, please bring them to church during office hours or on Sundays. We will accept anything except clothing. Your donations can be left by the door in the South-West Storage Room (located off the Fellowship Hall). This sale will be held in conjunction with our traditional Maurice Salad Luncheon which will be on Saturday, May 14th.

Silent Auction Begins in May... Items Needed Too!

Starting Sunday, May 1st, a Silent Auction will be held to raise funds for youth missions including Youth 2011 this Summer. Bidding will conclude at 10:30am on Sunday, May 29th. Please visit the Multipurpose Room throughout the month of May to view the items up for auction. Also, if you have an item that you'd like to donate for the auction, please contact Kim Evans, Director of Children's & Youth Ministries, at the Church Office.

Next Gathering of the First UMC Book Club

The book to be discussed at the Monday, May 2nd, session is *Kabul Beauty School* by Deborah Rodriguez. According to the New York Daily News this is "A jaw-dropping true story, alternately hilarious and moving." The group gathers in the Church Library on First-Mondays at 7:00pm and all are welcome!

Next Gathering of Women With Faith

Women With Faith will meet Thursday, May 5th, at 12:30pm, at the Mount Clemens Library, for a potluck lunch. This will be our last meeting until Fall. All are welcome!

Maurice Salad Luncheon

Join us on Saturday, May 14th from 11:00am to 2:00pm, and enjoy Hudson's famous Maurice Salad, hosted by First Church and Women With Faith. Browse through the June's Treasures Resale Shoppe. Crafts, quilts, and knitted items will also be for sale. Tickets can be purchased during Fellowship Hour on Sundays or at the Church Office during office hours. Tickets cost \$8.00 each.

Changes to Our Soup Label & Box Top Collection

Please remember to bring in your Campbell's Soup Labels and Box Tops for Education to help us continue our long-standing collection to benefit the UMC Red Bird Missionary Conference's Red Bird Mission and Clinic in Appalachian Kentucky. (Box Tops were previously saved for a local school that no longer collects them, so now both items are being sent to Red Bird.) Our collection at this time will most likely go towards the acquisition of a second van for the clinic, a much needed tool in their efforts to relieve the causes and symptoms of chronic poverty in this isolated and distressed rural area. Your Soup Labels and Box Tops can be left the basket marked "Red Bird" in the Multipurpose Room 'Collections Area' that is now located right at the top of the stairs that lead down to the Office Lobby. More information about the Mission can also be found inside this basket. Thanks for your support!

Changes to Our Food Shelf Collection

Today and every Sunday can now be your opportunity to contribute toward First Church's ongoing commitment to Father Bob's Food Shelf, Grace Episcopal Church's outreach providing emergency food to people referred by the Macomb County Food Program. Non-perishable items can be left in one of the baskets marked "Father Bob's Food Shelf" in the Multipurpose Room 'Collections Area' that is now located right at the top of the stairs that lead down to the Office Lobby. Cereal, rice, and other boxed foods, and canned foods such as fruits and vegetables are all eagerly accepted. You can also drop off your donations during office hours or any time there are programs going on that the building is open. Thanks for your support!

Multipurpose Room Renovation



THE THERMOMETER'S BURST & THEN SOME! We're at \$11,763.47!

Watch in the coming weeks for more exciting changes including updates in the bathrooms and kitchen, new storage, a welcome center, Bible study area, and more! You can be part of this project in two ways. For those who are handy with a paint brush or tools, watch for volunteer requests from the Trustees. Work we can do with volunteers saves significant money. You can also make financial contributions toward this project by making a donation beyond your regular giving using the "Multipurpose Room Renovation Offering" envelopes available in the East Parlor.

Bible Study Opportunities

Children's Sunday School (No Classes Today)

Children's Sunday School begins following the Children's Message during the 9:15am service. We ask that all parents, grandparents or guardians bring their children to the Sunday School Room on their first visit to Sunday School and complete a registration form. After your children are registered, they are welcome to follow their teacher to the Sunday School Room from the Sanctuary.

Women's Bible Study (No Study Tomorrow)

All women of the church are welcome to be part of this study. This group gathers in the Multipurpose Room on Second & Fourth-Mondays. The study runs from 9:30am to 11:00am. The women are studying along with the book *Longing to Pray ~ How the Psalms Teach Us to Talk with God* by J. Ellsworth Kalas.

Other Bible Studies

Stay tuned to future *Sunday Bulletins* (in print or on the church website) for the latest on up-coming gatherings of the Men's Bible Study and the Pastors' Bible Study groups.

Ministry Opportunities

Maurice Salad Help Needed

The Saturday, May 14th, Maurice Salad Luncheon is fast approaching. To be successful we need church-wide help. For the Resale Shoppe, we need items to sell, dishes, holiday decorations, jewelry, knickknacks, etc. Please start bringing in any items that you might want to donate for that profitable sale. Your donations can be left by the door of the South-West Storage Room (located off the Fellowship Hall). **For the Luncheon itself we need helpers ~ table setters and kitchen workers on Friday, May 13th, and Saturday, May 14th. To help, sign up on the list posted on the window of the Church Library or contact the Church Office.**

Church Nursery Volunteers Needed

First UMC is looking for volunteers to work in our nursery during the 9:15am and 11:00am services, and when our nursery is open in support of church events. For our nursery to function properly, we need a minimum of two caregivers at any time and possibly more, depending on the ages and number of kids who attend the nursery. Contact the Church Office for more information and/or to sign up to help with this ministry.

Seeking Film-Makers & Photographers

If you have, or are interested in taking, photographs or films of church activities, please contact the Church Office. We are eager to build up a stock of images (recent, historical, and for all future events) that could be used for church publications. Audio recordings would be great as well! Call the Church Office for more information.

On~Going Activities

The Men's Koffee Klatch

This group gathers every Thursday at 9:45am in the Multipurpose Room. There is always fresh coffee, donuts, and lots of discussion. All First Church men and their friends are welcome.

Knit, Crochet, & Chat

This group gathers every Thursday at 9:30am in the Church Library. Folks just wanting to visit are always welcome too. If you have a project you're wanting to finish, bring it along! Besides being creative, they try to solve the problems of the world! For more information, speak with Elaine Walton or contact the Church Office.

Prayer Quilting (No Gathering This Week)

This group gathers for quilting every Tuesday from 10:30am to 3:30pm in the Multipurpose Room. Their quilts are given to members of the church who need encouragement in prayer and strength, and to the Turning Point shelter for abused women. Everyone is welcome for sewing and fellowship. The Quilters eat lunch around noon, so bring your lunch and come see what's happening. For more information, you can speak with Linda Strait, Marsha Lynch, Junia Querio, Joyce Wells or any of the other Quilters, or contact the Church Office.

No 'Pretzel Yoga' Here!!!

If you've avoided yoga because you "can't twist into a pretzel," you should know that First UMC's yoga class is a gentle class where poses are adjusted to meet your abilities and medical needs. We use props to make our poses easier. If a pose is too hard or doesn't feel right, we substitute a different one. Classes meet on First & Third-Mondays (6:00pm to 7:00pm) and Second & Fourth-Thursdays (12:00pm to 1:00pm). **The class is free to adults attending First UMC.** Please contact the instructor, Deb Chymiak-Isanhart, before your first class, by calling 248.506.9076, Monday through Friday, from 10:00am and 7:30pm. **The Next class is *this* Thursday!**

Tai Chi

Tai Chi classes are offered at First Church on Wednesdays at 9:00am at a cost of \$5.00 per hour class. Tai Chi is great for physical health and mental growth. It's slow pace and tempo are perfect for adults of all ages. This class is open to all. If you have any questions, contact the Church Office. All are welcome.

Odds & Ends

If You Appreciate Beautiful Flowers, Take Note!

The calendar for dedication of altar flowers in honor of a person, in celebration of an event, or in memory of a loved one is waiting for you on the door of the Sacristy (which is on the right side of the front of the Sanctuary). You may choose to dedicate the vase arrangements, the centerpiece, or both. Of course, the flowers are yours to take after Sunday Worship Services. The cost is \$20.00 for both side vases and/or \$20.00 for the centerpiece. Payment can be placed in the offering plate, or mailed to or dropped off at the Church Office.

Flowers are Given in Memory of:

- ◆ Johnson Donahue, Jack & Delores Largent, John & Evelyn Donahue, Merry & Donald Kinderman, Ruthann Barker, Amanda Lynn Donahue-Young by Nancy Donahue
 - ◆ Helen Laney and June Winbigler by Ken & Joanna Fowler
- ◆ Willard & Geraldine Guerber and Benson & Winnefred Wood by Gaer & Roberta Guerber
 - ◆ My Father and Grandparents by Linda L. Johnston
- ◆ Margaret Keller, Norma Keller, Debbie Keller, and Michelle Keller by Dana & Robert Keller
 - ◆ Shirley & Evelyn Corsaut and Barbie Lynch by Marty & Marsha Lynch
 - ◆ Dallas West, Lloyd & Rosemary McLatcher by Dan & Linda McLatcher
 - ◆ Our brother Richard Lee Meyer by Revs. Carman & Donna Minarik
 - ◆ Ralph Paul by Dick & Sandy Paul
 - ◆ Janice Potts by Matthew & Kristy Paul
- ◆ Lloyd R. Strait, Leone D. Strait, Lynn C. Strait, and Nancy Eagle by Linda Strait
- ◆ Mary Swistock, Stephen Swistock, Kenneth Swistock, and Philip Tedesco by Ruth Swistock
 - ◆ Loved Ones by Patsy Weagel
 - ◆ George Wiggins and Nathan Peterson by Gladys Wiggins

Flowers are Given in Honor of:

- ◆ The Music Ministry by Michael Emshwiller
 - ◆ My Mother by Linda L. Johnston
- ◆ Jeff, Jen, Drew & Brady Donovan by Dan & Linda McLatcher
 - ◆ Our Children by Dick & Sandy Paul
 - ◆ Our Parents and Grandparents by Matthew & Kristy Paul

The dedications are listed in alphabetical order by the last names of those who gave them.

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- ◆ Ministers ~ The Congregation
 - ◆ Pastors ~ The Reverends Carman & Donna Minarik ◆ Pastor Emeritus ~ The Reverend William Rickard
- ◆ Director of Music & Worship Ministries ~ Michael Emshwiller ◆ Director of Children's & Youth Ministries ~ Kim Evans
- ◆ Oasis Praise Coordinators ~ Rick Eldridge & Sue Rosso ◆ Pianist ~ Bonnie Robbins-McCormick (Second Service)
 - ◆ Visual Director ~ Meribeth Broucker-Querio (First Service) ◆ Head Usher ~ Keith Rosso
 - ◆ Child Care Provider ~ Karen Nemecek ◆ Administrative Assistant ~ Steve Loveland

Large-Print Bulletins are Available... Just Ask a Greeter!

The Parish Week

Sunday, April 24th

Easter Sunday

9:15am ~ Worship

Between Services ~ Bread Ministry Wrapping Session, Fellowship Hall

Between Services ~ Fellowship Hour, Multipurpose Room ~ ALL ARE WELCOME!

11:00am ~ Worship

1:30pm ~ Community Meals, Fellowship Hall

The Parish Week Calendar Continues on the Back of the Bulletin.

The Parish Week (Continued from Previous Page)

Monday, April 25 ^h	<i>Easter Monday</i> Church Office Closed
Tuesday, April 26 ^h	8:30am ~ Bread Ministry Wrapping Session, Fellowship Hall 11:00am ~ Sunday Bulletin Submissions & Flower Dedications Due 6:00pm ~ Carillon Bells Rehearsal, Music Room 7:30pm ~ Narcotics Anonymous, Multipurpose Room
Wednesday, April 27 ^h	9:00am ~ Tai Chi Class, Multipurpose Room
Thursday, April 28 ^h	8:30am ~ Bread Ministry Wrapping Session, Fellowship Hall 9:30am ~ Knit, Crochet, & Chat Group Meeting, Church Library 9:45am ~ Men's Koffee Klatch, Multipurpose Room 12:00pm ~ Open Yoga Class (free to all adults attending First UMC), Fellowship Hall 6:00pm ~ Chapel Bells Rehearsal, Music Room 7:30pm ~ Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Music Room
Sunday, May 1st	<i>Second Sunday of Easter</i> Silent Auction Begins 9:15am ~ Worship After the 9:15am Service's Children's Message ~ Children's Sunday School, Sunday School Room Between Services ~ Bread Ministry Wrapping Session, Fellowship Hall Between Services ~ Fellowship Hour, Multipurpose Room ~ ALL ARE WELCOME! 11:00am ~ Worship 1:15pm ~ CROP Walk Registration, Zion United Church of Christ 1:30pm ~ Community Meals, Fellowship Hall
Monday, May 2 nd	6:00pm ~ Open Yoga Class (free to all adults attending First UMC), Fellowship Hall 7:00pm ~ Book Club Meeting, Church Library
<i>Also see First Church's Calendar at the Church Website (www.mountclemensumc.org).</i>	



Open Hearts... Open Minds... Open Doors... in This and Every Season.