

Calendar of Events

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026: 9:30am

8:45 Fresh Start Host: Jackie McLaughlin

9:30 **Worship Message:** Pastor Scott Racut

Liturgist: Jackie McLaughlin

Ushers: Walt & Laura Elliott

Counters: Annette Verga & Margie Gibson

4:00 Bear Scout Meeting

Monday, April 6, 2026:

9:30 Women's Bible Study-Setting up Stations

7:00 Bible Study @ Ken & Diana Rodd's home

Tuesday, April 7, 2026:

3:00 Brookdale Bible Study

6:30-7:30 Hallelujah Handbell Choir Reh.

7:00 Scout Troop 71

Wednesday, April 8, 2026:

8:00 Men's Fellowship Breakfast at Perry Family Diner

3:00 Prayer Time: live Streamed

Thursday, April 9:

2:00 Group Prayer Session @ Perry UMC
Praying for our Church Family, COMMUNITY, and God's direction and guidance as we connect and build relationships.

Second Sunday of Easter, April 12, 2026:

9:30am

8:45 Fresh Start Host: Pam Thompson

9:30 **Worship Message:** Jackie McLaughlin

Liturgist: Arlene Messenger

Ushers: Walt & Laura Elliott

Counters: Margie Gibson & Jim Riha

4:00 Bear Scout Meeting

Announcements

Prayer requests: please fill out a yellow card in the pews and put into the offering plates when passed by the ushers. Offering amount: \$2455.00
Amount needed weekly for Budget:

\$2,250.00

Attendance: 39 in-house
29 on-line

Perry United Methodist Church



Christ is risen!

Easter Sunday ~ April 5, 2026

Welcome to Worship

**Stand to worship the Lord as you are able in body or in spirit*

GATHERING MUSIC/PRELUDE Brian Mather
BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Scott Racut
***OPENING HYMN:** "Lift High the Cross" UMH # 159
***CALL TO WORSHIP** Jackie McLaughlin
L = Liturgist P = People

L: On this glorious Easter Day, we have come to celebrate the greatness of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. On this great day, we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord. My sisters and brothers, let us rejoice: Alleluia!

P: Alleluia, alleluia, Jesus is Lord of all the earth, He is the King of creation.

L: On this holiest of days, the One whom men had thought to destroy has risen triumphant from the tomb! My sisters and brothers, let us rejoice: Alleluia!

P: Alleluia, alleluia, Jesus has died and is risen.

L: On this holy day, we celebrate our New Life in the Risen Christ; through the death of Jesus, the weight of our sin has been lifted from us. Through His glorious resurrection, we have become sons and daughters of God. My sisters and brothers, let us rejoice: Alleluia!

P: Alleluia, alleluia, come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior.

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

Living God, on this most joyous day we offer our thanks and praise to You; creator of heaven and earth, creator and lover of all humanity. We bless You for creating the whole world, for Your promises to Your people Israel, and for the life we know in Jesus Christ, Your Son. Even when we turned away from You, You never rejected us. You spoke words of mercy and love through the prophets; promising to swallow up death forever and to host a banquet for all people; a feast of life-giving sustenance. We praise you for Christ Jesus, your Word Incarnate made Flesh. Born of Mary, He shares our life. Eating with sinners, He welcomes us. Leading His followers, He guides us. Dying on the cross, He rescues us. Risen from the dead, He gives new life. Most resilient God, source of all that is eternally exalted. We give you thanks for your unspeakable gift of Christ Jesus. Amen.

***2ND OPENING HYMN:** "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" UMH # 302

GIVING INVITATION: Pastor Scott Racut
USHERS: Walt & Laura Elliott
***RECEIVING OF THE GIFTS:**
"PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW" UMH # 95
***DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS** Pastor Scott Racut
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/ PASTORAL PRAYER
HYMN OF ILLUMINATION "Worthy Is the Lamb" VIDEO
by Darlene Zschech (Miriam Webster) Hillsong
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SCRIPTURE READINGS Colossians 3: 1-4 & John 20: 1-18 Jackie McLaughlin

MESSAGE: Pastor Scott Racut

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***CLOSING HYMN** "Because He Lives" VIDEO
By Matt Maher

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***BENEDICTION:**

POSTLUDE ~ Go in Peace and Live in Love! ~ Computer
Anyone needing additional Prayer, please join Mary at the front of the church after service.

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Church Office Hours:

Monday 10a - 4p and Wednesday 10a - 4p

These are not the Pastor's office hours.

Scripture to Meditate on During Seasons of Transition and Change:

One of the greatest ways to remind ourselves of what God has to say during these times of Transition and change is reading His Word. God has left us with His Word to help give us Peace during these seasons where everything around us or in us is changing.

“For our present troubles are small and won’t last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever!”

2 Corinthians 4: 17