

INVITATIONS TO ACTION

Church Office Closed Monday

Our church office will be closed Monday, April 6th, in observance of Easter Monday.

Holy Humor Worship Next Sunday

Join us for worship next Sunday, April 12th, either in our church sanctuary or online as we celebrate the Easter laughter during our Holy Humor worship service.

American Red Cross Blood Drive April 14th

Our church will be a host site for an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, April 14th in the afternoon. To donate please visit their website to schedule an appointment.

Sun Prairie Memory Cafe April 14th

The next Memory Cafe is on Tuesday, April 14th beginning at 9:30am. A Memory Cafe is a meeting place for anyone who is experiencing beginning changes in memory. It can be a fun way to connect with others who are living with the same issues. The intent is for both the person and their family or friends to come together in a relaxed and social environment to connect with others. This month in addition to a time of gathering we will participate in an art project together. If you have any questions about please reach out to Director of Community Engagement Amanda Hinthorn.

SPUMC Church Garage Sale Fast Approaching

Our annual church garage sale is fast approaching. You can begin bringing donations at 12pm on Sunday, April 26th. We are also still looking for volunteers to help make the sale a success. To learn more about our garage sale visit our church website.

2nd Quarter Loose Coins

Loose Coins for 2nd quarter are going to the "Keep Wisconsin Warm and Cool Fund". This is an organization that helps people that have trouble stretching their monies to cover their utilities bill. If donating by check, please put Loose Coins in the memo line.

Fresh Starts for Every Neighbor-Share the Care this April

For our April Collection we are running a "shower of kindness" drive for personal care products for Sunshine Place. Personal care products are not covered by SNAP payments. They need the following items: Shampoo, conditioner, gels, hair styling tools and products for ALL hair types, Personal Hygiene products for ladies, Soap (bar and liquid), body creams and lotions, toothbrushes and toothpaste, Deodorant, perfume and cologne. All products must be unopened and new. Please bring to the display in the Narthex.



Love That Shows Up

Placed to Carry
Resurrection into the World

Easter 2026

April 5, 2026

Sun Prairie United Methodist Church
702 North Street Sun Prairie, WI 53590
sunprairieumc.org

Sunday April 5, 2026 9:00 am & 11:00 am
Easter Sunday

**Please stand if it is comfortable for you*

PRELUDE

WELCOME & GREETING

SONG OF BEGINNING

Christ Has Arisen

EASTER CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Christ is risen—Love has shown up.

People: Love that meets us where we are.

Leader: Christ is risen—In hands that serve, in hearts that are open.

People: Love that steps into the broken places.

Leader: Christ is risen—Life is moving among us.

People: We receive that life with joy and carry it forward.

Leader: Come, let us worship the risen Christ—The One whose love shows up again and again.

All: We celebrate that we too may go into our neighborhoods and the world with a love that shows up. Alleluia!

*HYMN *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today,*
vs. 1-4

No. 302
Red Hymnal

Bringing in of the Christ Candle

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

WITNESSING GOD'S LOVE TO OUR CHILDREN

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

All Hail the Power

SCRIPTURE READING

John 20:1-18

SERMON

Love That Shows Up: Placed to Carry Resurrection into the World

*HYMN

Christ Is Risen, vs. 1-3

No. 307
Red Hymnal

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

On this Easter day, we will receive Communion where we are seated. When we are served the bread and cup and pass it to one another, it is symbolic of being served from the Table of God's grace and then passing that grace to one another. Once the meal has been blessed, the servers will pass the bread. You may take a piece of bread from the basket and hold it until all have received and we will commune together. Gluten-free bread is available; please ask the server. As the juice is served, you may take a cup from the tray and hold it until all have received and we will commune together.

OFFERING OUR LIVES AND OUR BLESSINGS

Invitation

Offertory

*Doxology

No. 94 Red Hymnal

*CLOSING BLESSING

*SUNG RESPONSE

Easter People, Raise Your Voices,
vs. 1-3

No. 304
Red Hymnal

POSTLUDE

Participating in Worship:

Rev. Jenny Arneson, Lead Pastor

Lisa Wink, Treasurer, Worship Assistant

Daniel Taylor, Dir. of Family Ministry, Children's Time

Chancel Choir, Music; Stephanie Klein, Director;

Marilyn Silvester, Accompanist

Max Klockow, Trumpet

Sue Lundeen, Organist

Michael Hilestad, Music

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Give thanks to the LORD because God is good, because God's faithful love lasts forever. Let Israel say it: "God's faithful love lasts forever!" The LORD was my strength and protection; God was my saving help! The sounds of joyful songs and deliverance are heard in the tents of the righteous: "The LORD's strong hand is victorious! The LORD's strong hand is ready to strike! The LORD's strong hand is victorious!" I won't die—no, I will live and declare what the LORD has done. Yes, the LORD definitely disciplined me, but God didn't hand me over to death. Open the gates of righteousness for me so I can come in and give thanks to the LORD! This is the LORD's gate; those who are righteous enter through it. I thank you because you answered me, because you were my saving help. The stone rejected by the builders is now the main foundation stone! This has happened because of the LORD; it is astounding in our sight! This is the day the LORD acted; we will rejoice and celebrate in it!

John 20:1-18

Early in the morning of the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. She ran to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they've put him." Peter and the other disciple left to go to the tomb. They were running together, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and was the first to arrive at the tomb. Bending down to take a look, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he didn't go in. Following him, Simon Peter entered the tomb and saw the linen cloths lying there. He also saw the face cloth that had been on Jesus' head. It wasn't with the other clothes but was folded up in its own place. Then the other disciple, the one who arrived at the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. They didn't yet understand the scripture that Jesus must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to the place where they were staying. Mary stood

outside near the tomb, crying. As she cried, she bent down to look into the tomb. She saw two angels dressed in white, seated where the body of Jesus had been, one at the head and one at the foot. The angels asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" She replied, "They have taken away my Lord, and I don't know where they've put him." As soon as she had said this, she

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IN HONOR OF

My Grandson Drew
Lily, Elliott, Layla, and Priscilla
My Kids Shea & Claire
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My Family
My Partner Pat Wende
Our Children & Grandchildren
My Family

turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she didn't know it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who are you looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she replied, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him and I will get him." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabbouni" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Don't hold on to me, for I haven't yet gone up to God. Go to my brothers and sisters and tell them, 'I'm going up to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene left and announced to the disciples, "I've seen the Lord." Then she told them what he said to her.