The Pastor's Page

Dear Church Family,

Today we celebrate the Second Sunday of Easter. Now, you might be saying to yourself, "Self, last Sunday was Easter Sunday." In the words of the great Ed McMahon to the even greater Johnny Carson, "You are correct, sir! [or madam]" Last Sunday was Easter Sunday. But much like you heard me say after Christmas, the church does not rush away from Easter and Jesus' resurrection.

First, recall what we spoke about during Lent: From the earliest days of Christianity, the church regarded every Sunday, "the first day of the week" as a little Easter. Even smack dab in the middle of Lent, or even Christmastime, we also proclaim Easter--Jesus lives! So, this is the Second Sunday of Easter, and at its most basic, every Sunday is an Easter Sunday.

However, we do have six or seven designated Sundays of Easter (in other words, "Second Sunday of Easter, Third Sunday of Easter," etc.), from now until the end of May. We call this The Great Fifty Days. in scripture, around fifty days seem to elapse between Jesus' resurrection and his ascension back into heaven. In other words, the Resurrected Christ "hung around" for fifty days before he went back home to heaven. The Great Fifty Days celebrate the life and the presence of Jesus, resurrected and present among those earliest believers, and us!

And consider this, sister and brothers: Our penitential season preparing for Jesus' suffering death and resurrection, Lent, spans forty days. Our celebration of his resurrection, our period of praise to God for life, lasts fifty days! We celebrate life longer than we wear sackcloth and ashes. I don't know about you, but I just love this!

Welcome, beloved, to the Great Fifty Days! Love, Jeff

PRAYER REQUESTS

Men & Women Serving in the Military The Homebound Jody Edgell Dick Fonner Charlene Hindman Twila Hostutler Larry & Anita Lemon Nettie Mason Lois & Norman Riggs Bill & Rae Stuart Danny Winland

Pat & Jim Wobig

Unspoken Requests of our Hearts The Lost

The Lost

The rose on the altar is a reminder to pray

for those in need.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Today

4:00 Small Group Class

Monday, April 28

Tuesday April 29

Wednesday, April 30

5:00 Praise Team 6:00 Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 1 8-3:00 Yard Sale

Friday, May 2

8-3:00 Yard Sale

Saturday, May 3

MPR Reserved

Sunday, May 4

9:00 Praise Worship 10:45 Traditional Worship 4:00 Small Group Class

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

30 Jared Alex Kocher, Trisha LeMasters Hartline May 1 Chris & Sherry Bachman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The Youth will meet next Sunday night, May 4 at 6:00 here at the church.

- *Gifts of Grace Room needs laundry detergent, bath towels, silverware, bath washcloths small sizes of girl's underwear toddler through size 12.
- *Yard Sale Thursday & Friday 8—3 P.M.
- *We will be honoring graduates on May 25 during the services. If you know of a graduate we should honor, please contact Debbie at the church office (304)455-1422.

HELPING HAND

Helping Hand is in need of macaroni & cheese and Jiffy cornbread mix.

FIRST AID KIT & MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

There is a first aid kit and medical equipment in the cabinet near the water fountain.



GIVING

Gifts to the Church can be made by using the following QR code, through the Realm App or by placing your offering in the box at the rear of the sanctuary.

New Martinsville United Methodist Church

10 Howard Jeffers Drive New Martinsville, WV 26155

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Kanode (304)563-2812 April 27, 2025

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship

10:45 A.M. Traditional Worship

Communion First Sunday of Each Month

All are welcome to share Christ's Table

"It is to Jesus and his followers that the ultimate victory belongs. The kingdom of God is and should be the goal for all, but only those who respond positively to the invitation and who remain faithful and loyal and who do not become apostate in the face of persecution will be participants in God's kingdom and final victory."

--James M. Efird

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:30 a.m. Christ's Disciples in Classroom 10:00 a.m.

Elementary in Preschool room Middle/High school in Conference room Adult Classes Open Hearts in Library

4:00 Small Group in Library

6:00 Youth (schedule varies-see bulletin)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday 9 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Welcome Guests

We are pleased to welcome you to the service of worship at New Martinsville United Methodist Church. If you are a first-time guest this morning, it is our hope that you feel at home and welcome among us. We are glad you are here!

Vision

A people who are being transformed by the Spirit of God into the likeness of Jesus Christ and are being sent out to transform their world.

Scripture

May 4 (Third Sunday of Easter) John 21: 1-19
May 11 (Fourth Sunday of Easter, Mother's Day) Exodus 2: 1-10

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YouTube, Facebook & Realm Connect Our 9:00 a.m. service is carried live on Channel 18 on Optimum Cable and 99.5 F.M. on your radio dial.

Contact Information

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	Welcomin	ig Song	NOTES	
9 am +Praise Worship	"Come, Now is the Time to Worship"			
	Morning Meditation			•
	Praise Songs			
	"Man on the Middle Cross"			SI
	"Made for More"			OR
	"The Only Name"			Worsh
	Offertory Prayer			,
	CHILDREN'S SERMON			[A]
	Scripture Revelation 1: 4-8 Sydney Quinet			RADITIONAL
	"Full Circle, Complete Circle"			
	Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Kanode			
	UMH #177 —"HE IS LORD"			AI
	Praise and Prayers			\mathbf{Z}
	Closing Song			•
	"Glorious Day"			Z
	Prayer & Benediction			A
	Postlude			3
	Serving Today Liturgist Anissa Anderson Greeters Cindy Lemasters Charles Lemasters Ushers Kelly Nelsen Susie Nelsen	Serving Next Week Dave Harshberger Mike Barth Curtis Family		10:45 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTES

Prelude

CHORAL INTROIT - CHANCEL CHOIR

Morning Prayer (unison)

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

UMH #452 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

*CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO WORSHIP

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

UMH #308, "Thine Be the GLORY"

The Psalter— Psalm 150 UMH #862

OFFERTORY PRAYER

*Doxology UMH #310

SCRIPTURE REVELATION 1: 4-8

"Full Circle, Complete Circle"

REV. DR. JEFFREY KANODE

UMH #177 "HE IS LORD"

*Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical Version) UMH #882

Praise and Prayers

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

UMH #420, "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

*LORD'S PRAYER & BENEDICTION

*CLOSING HYMN

UMH #666, "Shalom To You"

POSTLUDE

*denotes to stand, please, in body or in spirit.

Morning Prayer and Call to Worship (10:45 service) sourced from *The United Methodist Book of Worship*, Abingdon Press, 1992.

Serving Tod	<u>ay</u>	<u>Serving Next Week</u>	
Liturgist	Liz Hartman	Carolyn Goddard	
Greeters	Larry Lemon	Carolyn Goddard	
	Anita Lemon		
Ushers	Fred Hindman	Larry Lemon	
	Roger Hindman	Bob Horn	
Altar Guild	Marsha Hindman	Katy Bohrer	