



Welcome To Worship

We are so glad you have chosen to worship God with us today.



First United Methodist Church of Palatine, Illinois
Holy Communion | Second Sunday of Easter
April 12, 2026 • 9:30am



Before entering worship, please ask for prayer cards from Ushers to make your request.

Kindly record your presence in the attendance pad in the pews.

Please silence all mobile communication devices.

***Please rise in body and spirit as you are able.**

Gathering in the Presence of God

PRELUDE

Christ the Lord is Risen Today arr. Smart

Linda Camp

WELCOME

BISHOP DAN SCHWERIN EASTER GREETINGS

Video

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Were You There? arr. Marilyn Ham

Kay Daugherty

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

Wes Hannibal

Leader: This is the Good News—the grave is empty, Christ is risen.

People: Hallelujah!

L: This is the Good News— the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never put it out.

P: Hallelujah!

L: This is the Good News— once we were no people, now we are God’s people.

P: Hallelujah!

L: Christ is our peace, the indestructible peace we now share with each other.

P: Hallelujah!

All: Amen.

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***OPENING PRAYER (unison)**

Wes Hannibal

The tomb, death’s stone-cold womb, could not contain Him, God’s offspring, life’s child.

The tomb, Easter’s empty surprise, brimmed full of meaning as death itself passed away.

The women, Easter’s unlikely reporters, told of a gaping void within the gravestone that filled their emptiness with joy.

The women, discoverers afraid and amazed, proclaimed, “He is risen!” and were told by slow believers to hush their idle chatter.

The event, God’s Son-rise, enlightened a dark earth as Jesus’s return brought dawn to a new day.

The event, impossibility made possible, dazzles our eyes yet clears our vision.

We see the empty cross, the tomb, and we throw back our heads and laugh for joy.

We gather to worship the God Who gives us Easter.

Amen.

Flames of the Spirit, Pg. 40 #4 Glen E. Rainsley. The Pilgrims Press, Cleveland OH. 1985

***OPENING HYMN UMH #308**

Thine Be the Glory

OFFERING OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

SHARING OF PRAYER CONCERNS

Rev. Robert Sathuri

L: Lord in Your mercy

P: Hear our prayer

SILENT PRAYERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (unison)

Rev. Robert Sathuri

God of all nations, we praise You, that in Christ the barriers that have separated humanity are torn down. Yet, we confess our slowness to open our hearts and minds to those of other lands, tongues, and races. Deliver us from the sins of fear and prejudice, that we may move toward the day when all are truly one in Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Bread for the Journey Pg. 46 #6 Ruth C. Duck, The Pilgrims Press New York, NY 1981

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 trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass 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.

CARES CHORUS (sung)

*I cast all my cares upon you, I lay all of my burdens down at your feet,
and any time I don't know what to do, I cast all my cares upon you.*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Ushers will pass the offering plates in the pews.

Thank you to all who give during worship and online.

Please remember to sign the attendance pads

ANTHEM

My Hands Hannibal/Hannibal Nolan

Chancel Choir
Diane Hannibal, Director

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

***DOXOLOGY (sung)**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye Heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER (unison)**

Rev. Robert Sathuri

We rejoice in the inheritance You have given us, O God, and delight in sharing it with others.

You have given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. You

have touched our lives with eternity, with indescribable and glorious joy. We want others to

experience what we have begun to realize in company with one another and with You.

To that end, bless all the offerings of this day.

Amen.

Taught by Love, Pg. 89 Lavon Bayler, United Church Press, Cleveland OH, 1998

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

***GOSPEL READING**

John 20:19-31

Wes Hannibal

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God!

P: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE:

"Still Doubting?"

Rev. Robert Sathuri

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please follow on page 15 of the United Methodist Hymnal:
The Great Thanksgiving



All are invited to come forward and receive communion at the direction of the ushers.

Gluten-Free bread is available.

Please indicate to an usher if you would like to receive communion in your pew.

Consecration of the bread and the cup.

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Please sing the first and last verses of the Communion songs

#162- Alleluia, Alleluia

#303- The Day of Resurrection

#304- Easter People, Raise Your Voices

#307- Christ is Risen

#318- Christ is Alive

*CLOSING HYMN #310

He Lives

*D.S REV. VICTOR O MELAD, JR. EASTER BENEDICTION

Video

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

*POSTLUDE

Toccata in F Buxtehude

Linda Camp



YOUR PRAYERS



To request prayers before or during Worship Service,
please ask for cards from the Ushers.

Prayers for those in assisted living and nursing facilities or homebound

Annette H. // Bill Hoff. // Gary S. // Bill B.

Prayers for God's healing touch-members

Donna H. // Gary S. // Denise & Brian H. // Annette H.

Prayers for family and friends of members seeking God's healing

James B. son-in-law of Cliff B. // Toots N. Mother of Coleen R.

Prayers for God's Help & Blessings

Lambert & wife, Symballine, in their efforts to return to the U.S.A.

Prayers of Thanksgiving to God

For God's Gifts

Prayers of comfort for those who are grieving

For those who have lost loved ones

Prayers of Peace, Tolerance and Acceptance throughout the church, community and world.

A New Vision for The United Methodist Church:

Love Boldly. Serve Joyfully. Lead Courageously.

To make a submission for the All Week Long please email or drop off in person by Wednesday at noon.

SEND YOUR PRAYER REQUEST TO office@fumcpalatine.org When requesting prayers for a friend or family member, please include an address so we can send them a note. Thank you.



Sharing the Word and Work of God
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- **Children's Sunday School, 9:30a-10:30a**
Allen Austin, Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries
- **Youth Group** - Sundays in the downstairs Youth Rooms at 11am - 1pm.
- **Higher Grounds (current issues)** meets in the Adult Conference Room @ 11a, Or join on Zoom. Current book is America's Best Idea: The Separation of Church and State by Randall Balmer. Coordinators, Linda & Rick Craft ljcraft@att.net

MISSION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- **Palatine Food Pantry** Our next church wide collection will be on **Communion Sunday, May 3, 2026**. Please consider regular donations. **No Expired Foods Please**. Thank you.
- **Meals on Wheels** If you are interested in participating, contact Gil W. Ph: 847-209-8603
- **Adaptive Books Workshop** - Wednesday, April 15 11a -1p, Gathering Place (lower level)
- **Teddy Bears Ministry** - Tuesday, April 21, 2026, 1:00p, Gathering Place (lower level)
- **Diaper Drive** - April 1 - May 10 (Mother's Day). For more info contact UMWPalatine@gmail.com.
- **Prayer Blankets** Carla George (224-401-9755) or Gayla Swansen (847-705-8659) to receive kits or for more information.
- **Love Packages** drop off Bibles and other Christian materials outside the church office.

SERVING OUR CHURCH

- **Liturgists** are needed for Sunday Service. Please sign up in the commons.
- **Seeking hosts** for refreshment time after the 9:30a service. Sign up form can be found on the table outside the kitchenette door in the commons.
- **A/V Support** on Sundays 9:15a - 10:45a please contact John Foley, jsjae1@gmail.com if you would like to join the A/V support team.

MUSIC

- **Choir** meets on Thursdays from 7:30p - 9p. All are welcome to join!
- **Special Music** Do you play a musical instrument or enjoy singing? Consider sharing your special talent during worship. Contact camp-townerl@elmhurst.edu
- **Bell Choir** If interested in joining, contact John Foley, jsjae1@gmail.com

CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR THE CONGREGATION

- **Spring Study** Join us for a reading through the Acts of the Apostles, led by Pastor Robert Sathuri, Wednesdays April 8 thru April 29 @ 7p. **April 15** Acts 8-14 **April 22** Acts 15-21 **April 29** Acts 22-28

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun, May 3 - Communion Sunday 9:30a
Sun, May 10 - Mother's Day
Sun, May 24 - Pentecost Sunday 9:30a
Sun, June 7 - Confirmation Sunday 9:30a

Annual Conference

Sun June 14 - Tues June 16

- [Click Here for Online Giving](#)

Or visit fumcp.org or directly to
<https://giving.myamplify.io/App/Form/a03e4c6c-c290-44c6-8186-31e01bc8c77a>

Building Use forms & Applications can be downloaded at

<https://www.fumcp.org/office-forms>

Submit to Bharrington@fumcpalatine.org

Prayer Requests can be sent to unitedcaringministries@gmail.com
 or call/text 224-573-8401

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office@fumcpalatine.org

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Monday is Pastor's day off

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