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April 15, 2018

Sanctuary 11:00 a.m.

3rd Sunday of Easter



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SANCTUARY

11:00 a.m.

OPENING TO GOD

PRELUDE *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* arr. Robert Hughes

Little David Play on Your Harp arr. Thomas Gregory
Celebration Ringers; Daran Kiefer, director

WELCOME The Rev. Andy Call

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP¹ Martha Manring

Leader: Christ our Savior is risen from the dead! Alleluia!

People: Break forth into joy! Sing together!

Leader: We who once suffered in death, we who once cried in despair -

People: Now we know victory over death! Now we know joy over despair!

Leader: For God has raised Christ from the grave!

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*HYMN OF PRAISE #304 *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* Regent Square

*CALL TO CONFESSION The Rev. Gregory Kendrick, Jr.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

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**Strengthen our courage,
that we might come forth**

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OFFERING OUR LIVES IN DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN OF REFLECTION #420 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* Trentham

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (#895) Rev. Kendrick, Jr.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Rev. Kendrick, Jr.
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Offertory *Now, O Death, Where is Thy Sting?* Russell Nagy
Chancel Choir

*The Doxology (#94) & Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #421 *Make Me a Captive, Lord* Diademata

*BENEDICTION & CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE Christ Hath Triumphed, Alleluia! Edward Broughton
("Lasst uns Erfreuen")

*The people may stand. Acolytes: Kaiya Billingsley, Anna Rose

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9:30 WORSHIP



TODAY IN WORSHIP

The Message

Dare to Remove the Stone

Rev. Gregory Kendrick, Jr.

Scripture Reading

John 11:38-40 (CEB)

Rick Defaut

Ushers

Aleem/Lickfelt Family

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Throughout the year, United Methodist churches participate in six special offerings to support outreach at the conference level. Today, your generous gifts support **Native American Ministries** to empower local spiritual development and education for Native American seminary students to serve God faithfully. Please use the enclosed envelope in your bulletin. Your gifts make a difference!

The Health Ministry Team is pleased to have **Monica Robins**, senior health correspondent of WKYC Channel 3, present a program detailing the documents and information you should have ready when you need to leave your home at a moment's notice. Join us on Tuesday, April 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parlor.

Breathe is an evening of respite for families of children with special needs. If you are interested in helping with the next Breathe on April 27, please notify Lydia or Pam in Children's Ministries immediately. At this point, we are only able to host 11 children. We would love to host more but we can't do it without your help! Thank you to every committed set of hands!

Edna Rhodes Circle will meet on Tuesday, April 24 in the Parlor for a brown bag lunch at 12:30 p.m. Our program will be presented by Ros Collins and Thelma Tucker about their trip on the Reformation Celebration Tour. Dessert and beverages will be provided by our hostesses. Please RSVP to Anne Billington at 216-932-0689 or the church office.

United Methodist Women's Sunday on April 29 celebrates the group's work in our community and around the world. **Rev. Sarah Heath will be the guest preacher at all 3 worship services.** Her first solo book is *What's Your Story? Seeing Your Life through God's Eyes*. With roots in both Canada and Mississippi, Sarah currently serves as lead pastor of First UMC Costa Mesa in California.

UMW Spring Flea Market - May 4 & 5. Donations will be accepted from Sunday, April 29 (after 11 a.m. service) through Wednesday, May 2. **Help support missions by volunteering!** We encourage men to volunteer, too. Even if you can only give an hour or two, we would be grateful. Sign up on church website or contact Mary Freer: cotsfleas@gmail.com, 216-242-6144.

SCHOLARSHIPS - Applications due by June 1. For details, visit the church website and click on *Youth Ministry* or pick up an application in the hallway rack outside the church office. The Church of the Saviour Foundation annually awards the Calvary Scholarship to members of the church who are working on an undergraduate degree. The Margaret Knooihuizen Memorial Nursing Scholarship is awarded to members of the church and to non-members who are recommended by a member of the church. You must be accepted or currently enrolled in an accredited nursing program.

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING - April 24 at 7 p.m., Calvary Hall

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY, April 16

- 9:00 a.m. Fit for the Kingdom, Calvary Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Parent Connect, Parlor
- 7:00 p.m. Sojourn Women's Bible Study, Room 121

TUESDAY, April 17

- 12:10 p.m. DownTown Abbey, Offsite
- 2:00 p.m. Book Club, Parlor
- 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee, Room 121
- 7:30 p.m. Health Ministry Presentation, Parlor

WEDNESDAY, April 18

- 9:00 a.m. Fit for the Kingdom, Calvary Hall

THURSDAY, April 19

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Parlor
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Room 121
- 2:00 p.m. Muscles & Motion, Bethel Room
- 6:00 p.m. Gather, Parlor
- 6:00 p.m. Music Ministry Rehearsals
- 7:30 p.m. Man Talk, Room 121

FRIDAY, April 20

- 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Room 161
- 11:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Parlor
- 7:00 p.m. Jr. Youth- Glow Stick Hunting
- 7:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal, Room 122

SATURDAY, April 21

- 8:15 a.m. Spiritual Fitness, Room 121
- 9:30 a.m. Fit for the Kingdom, Calvary Hall

SUNDAY, April 22

- Worship at 8:30 Myers Chapel, 9:30 Great Hall, 11:00 Sanctuary**
Blood pressure screenings after each morning worship service, room 106
- 10:40 a.m. Prayer Meeting, Myers Chapel
 - 12:00 p.m. Kingsley Luncheon, Calvary Hall
 - 12:15 p.m. Wesley Bells, Room 223
 - 12:30 p.m. Breathe Respite Training, Room 050
 - 1:15 p.m. Flute Ensemble, Room 223
 - 4:30 p.m. Good News, Choir Room
 - 5:30 p.m. Agape, Choir Room
 - 6:00 p.m. Catalyst Community Bible Study, Offsite