



First United Methodist Church, Bristol March 31, 2024

Building A Community Where Anyone Can Become A Deeply Committed Christian

Welcome to worship, both in-person and online!

Refreshments are available at the Sanctuary entrance. Children and Youth Worship Boxes are available in the West lobby.

Prelude *Easter Celebration.....*arranged by Phil Haga Phil Haga, organist

Words of Greeting

Call to Worship by Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell

The tomb is dark, but empty

The one you are looking for has overcome the darkness

The stone has been rolled away

The one you are looking for has overcome death

The burial clothes are put aside

The one you are looking for is alive!

Christ is Risen!

Christ is Risen Indeed! Let us worship our Risen Savior!

Hymn of Praise *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* **UMH 302**
We invite you to bring forward your offering to the plate and your missions giving to the basket.

Our Easter Mission Offering goes to support our 3 Parish Missions:

Bundles of Joy Diaper Ministry, Help for Haiti Children's Home, Virginia Ave. Food Pantry.

Many of you have been setting aside funds throughout Lent, and we invite anyone who can support these missions to give in the name of our risen Christ.

Doxology **UMH 95**

First Scripture Reading *1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

Special Music *The Holy City....*by Stephen Adams Phil Haga---soloist
Betty Curtis---accompanist

Prayer Concerns
Prayer request cards can be brought to the altar rail or left at the exit.
The Lord's Prayer **UMH 895**
Responsive Song *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

Special Music *Up from the Grave He Arose....*by Robert Lowery Chancel Choir

Second Scripture Reading *Mark 16:1-8*

Sermon *Why Are We Surprised?* Rev. Casey Irwin

Hymn of Benediction *Crown Him with Many Crowns* **UMH 327**

Benediction

Postlude *He Lives....*by Alfred H. Ackley
Piano and organ duet.....Betty Curtis and Phil Haga



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Announcements

Thank you for joining us today. We have a gift for all attending, a prayer cross.

Holy Humor Sunday and Breakfast Church are **Sunday, April 2**. Sign up for a dish to bring and submit your favorite Bible jokes (or bring them to share yourself!). Email pastor@fumcbristol.org or leave a paper copy at the church office.

A celebration of life for Richard McCallum will be held in our sanctuary on Thursday, April 4 at 12 PM. A luncheon will follow in Tankersley Hall.

Prayer Requests

Dow Strader, Mary Tankersley, Helen Harkleroad, Tim Harkleroad, Charlotte Cox, Jack Ford, Kathy Wagner, Jim Riden, Edward Platz, Mike Teague, Beau Lippo, the family of Richard McCallum, the family of Marian Bates, Albert Colombo

Church Office Hours: Tuesdays and Fridays 1-3 PM

<u>Weekly Schedule</u> Sundays	9:30 a.m.	First UMC Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Common Ground Fellowship Worship (Chapel)
	10:45 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Addilyn UMC Bible Study
Tuesdays	10:00 a.m.	First UMC Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting
Wednesdays	6:30 p.m.	Virginia Avenue UMC Bible Study
Thursdays	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting

Upcoming Dates

Sunday, March 31	9:30 a.m.	Easter Worship at First UMC
Tuesday, April 2	6:30 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting at Addilynn UMC
Wednesday, April 3	2-4 p.m.	Virginia Avenue Food Pantry
Thursday, April 4	12 p.m.	Celebration of Life for Richard McCallum
Sunday, April 7	9:30 a.m.	Breakfast Church Worship and Holy Humor Sunday
Tuesday, April 9	5:00 p.m.	United Women in Faith Meeting
Sunday, April 21	1:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting
	2:30 p.m.	Vision & Action Meeting

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