

**BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Easter Sunday

**Pastor, Sandi Perl**  
**Aimee Perry, Choir Director**

**Elly Stempien, Organist**  
**Stacy Wyant, Liturgist**

Sharing Grace – see the screen for more information

**WELCOME AND GREETING**  
**ORGAN PRELUDE**

**\*SONG OF PRAISE - UMH 304 Easter People, Raise Your Voices**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Can it be true?

**C: Could it be you rising from death to life?**

L: Yes, proclaim the Good News!

**C: God's love has overcome; it has been set free to flow from the grave through the streets, into the town, across the borders into our hearts, from our hearts touching all, bringing hope, and creating life, the Kingdom come.**

L: So, let us come to the kingdom and worship the King of love. Amen

**\*MORNING PRAYER**

**Holy God, as this new day dawns we are reminded of that first Easter morning, when sorrow turned to joy, Jesus is risen from the dead. We do not claim to understand how, but we believe it to be true. We gather here, Sunday by Sunday, celebrating resurrection, celebrating love that overcomes death.**

**WOMEN: Like Peter, Mary and all those who follow Jesus, we gather together in this place - afraid, unsure and a little anxious about what to expect.**

**MEN: But, as Jesus did with them, he does with us, by coming among us and saying Peace be with you.**

**THOSE WITH BLUE EYES: May that peace Jesus speaks be felt here in this place, as we try to get our heads around resurrection once more.**

**ANYONE WHO WANTS TO BE A CHILD: Like Peter, Mary and all those who follow you, we come as we are, simple people, flawed and imperfect and we offer ourselves to you.**

**ALL: We are happy to confess to you that we still have doubts, that we still deny you at times, that we still fail to obey your commands. We are sorry and ask for your forgiveness. Like Peter, Mary and all those who follow you, fill us with your Holy Spirit and send us out renewed and refreshed, ready to serve you in the world today and every day. Amen.**

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE** - Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

**HYMN OF PRAISE – UMH 302 Christ The Lord Is Risen Today**

**CHORAL ANTHEM – You Raise Me Up**

**CHILDRENS TIME**

**PRAYER TIME/PRAYER HYMN – FWS 2160 Into My Heart**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Psalm 118:21-27 (p 565), Mark 16:1-8 (p 54)

**MESSAGE**

**\*OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY/PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Generous and Loving God, Jesus gave all that he had, his whole life, body, mind and soul. He gave because he loved us. Receive what we give today; and may our offerings be used to take your message of love out to all people. May our offerings include our whole life, body, mind and soul, so that we can continue to love others as Jesus loved us. Amen**

**CLOSING HYMN: UMH 318 Christ Is Alive**

**\*GOOD NEWS:**

**Alleluia! The tomb is empty, the stone is rolled away: he is not here, he is risen. Alleluia! With hearts rejoicing, let us go and share the good news: of hope reborn, of freedom given, of life in all its fullness. We are a resurrection people – let “Alleluia!” be our song! And may the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Renewer be with you. Amen.**

**SHARING GRACE DURING THE WEEK:** Embrace Jesus – our resurrected Savior in all that you say and do.

**POSTLUDE**

**FWS –Faith We Sing**

**UMH – United Methodist Hymnal**

Please join us for fellowship with our host: Michele and Curt Covert

**SERVING THIS WEEK (3/27/16)**

Greeters: Amos and Laura Hammond

Ushers: Doug and Terry Fingar

Scripture Reader: Sarah Stackhouse

Fellowship: Michele and Curt Covert

Sunday School: Pam Althouse

Nursery: Terry Fingar and Sonya Andersen

Counters: Ron Salyer and Aimee Perry

**SERVING NEXT WEEK (4/3/16)**

Greeters: Marilyn Sands and Barbara Bailey

Ushers: Bill and Delores Sutherland

Scripture Reader: Joyce Wiedrich

Fellowship: Joyce Wiedrich and someone else ☺

Sunday School: Sarah Stackhouse

Nursery: Doreen and Laurie Prinzivalli

Counters: Ron Salyer and Aimee Perry

Tuesday Noon: **Women's Luncheon at Antique Inn.** All women are invited to come and share a meal with one another.

Tuesday - 7PM, **Choir Rehearsal**

Wednesday – 10:00am Bible Study – at church - Bad Boys of the Bible

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Ladies Tea – more information coming soon!

**Contact Us**

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