

Our mission is to serve God by serving others! Hope is our business!

Check out our YouTube feed during the 10:30 service!

Serving Today: Terri DePatis, worship director & pianist; Choir, special music; Addison Duis & Chris VanEtten, liturgists; Eric Heubner & Abby Simmons, technology; Dana Blair, greeter; Tracie Sampson, children's ministries; Antoinette Bidlingmaier, nursery director; Jake Sampson, custodian; Rick Pierce, pastor.

10:30 a.m. April 14, 2024

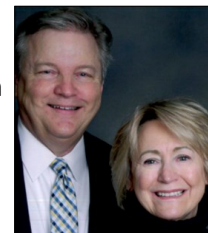


Opening	"Give Thanks"	Choir
Greeting		Pastor Rick
Video	"After Easter"	
Song	"I Could Sing of Your Love Forever"	Screen
Two Baptisms & the Reception of a New Member		
Prayer		Pastor
Special Music	"Standin' in the Need of Prayer"	Choir
Holy Scripture	Luke 24:13-35	Addison, Chris
Message	"Walking With Him"	Pastor
Benediction		Gary
Postlude		Terri

New here? We welcome you! If you have a question, a greeter is happy to answer it for you. Please fill out a "Make a Connection" card in the bulletin. We no longer pass the plates — they're at the back of the sanctuary and at the sanctuary entrance. Nursery care is available downstairs today beginning at 9:30.

Announcements!

AFTER EASTER PART II Thanks to all who helped with last Sunday's service, especially Gary DePatis, who received one of those uh oh emails: "I've got Covid. Can you preach tomorrow?" And Cody Heubner, who got a similar email: "I've got Covid. Can you lead confirmation class?" Of course they did! One of the hallmarks of Methodism — what truly distinguishes us from most other denominations — is that the congregation seamlessly steps forward when the pastor is not there. It is, in a sense, part of our Methodist DNA. After all, Methodist congregations on the frontier were expected to step up when the circuit riding preacher was not there to lead worship. And in those frontier locations, pastors were often at the same church there just one Sunday a month. In some cases, less; in others, more. We were on our own a lot! So, thanks again to Gary and Cody; to Terri DePatis, our worship director; to Brock Davis, our liturgist; The HillClimbers, featuring Regan, Brynlie, & Zayna; Antoinette, our nursery director; our tech staff; our greeter; and all those who helped!



Pastor Rick & Cindy



CONFIRMATION! We're planning our confirmation ceremony for the 2nd service on April 28. Our confirmands are **Addison Duis, Brock Davis, Owen Gronewold, Regan Heubner, Tate Karrick, and Wesley Sampson**. This is a great class! The material we use is very challenging — and for good reason. Once they're confirmed, they're considered adults in the eyes of the church and are full professing members. Questions? Contact the office, 632-7689.

SPRING SOCIAL! Our congregational care team led by Karen Barrett is hosting a Spring Social for new members and women of the church this coming Tuesday, April 16, 1:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. There will be appetizers, games, and crafts. Transportation is available. Questions? Contact Karen at 217-416-6288.

RUMMAGE SALE! Our semi-annual rummage sale will be this Friday-Saturday. Items may be brought in following worship today and all next week. Questions? Contact Jan Freeman at 217-416-1910 or Ginny Ramage at 303-618-9134.

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Youth: Cody & Eric Heubner; YOSM: Joe & Susie Pokorny;
Children’s Ministries: Tracie Sampson; Cong. Care: Karen Barrett
Web & Tech: Eric Heubner & Jake; New Church Chr: Kate Becker

SMALL GROUPS NOW UNDERWAY

- ◆ **Men’s breakfast group** meets Wednesdays at The Corner Café at 8 a.m. Call Paul Johnson at 801-5254.
- ◆ **Women’s Bible Fellowship** meets here at 8 a.m. Fridays. They’re studying Genesis. Call Helene Atkinson at 899-5210.
- ◆ **Saturday morning men’s group** meets at 7 at PORTA High & on Zoom. They’re studying John’s Gospel. Call Joe Pokorny at 899-2744.

Received this week (April 7-13)	\$4,638
Total gifts received this calendar year through April 13	\$71,640
Needed through April 13	\$65,760
Needed each week: \$4,384	
Attendance April 7: 81 On YouTube: 20	

Total Future Building Funds raised (as of April 1)	\$1,321,347.43
Investment gains/loss since investing	+ \$105,244.83
Total Future Building Fund Expenses (includes land purchase, architect’s fee & consultant’s fee)	\$196,195.13
Future Building Funds Now Available	\$1,230,467.13

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Worship at 8 & 10:30

Streaming live on  YouTube at 10:30

3rd Sunday of Easter



The Journey to Emmaus