

Order of Worship
Friendship United Methodist Church
Sunday, April 19, 2026

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If you are new to the Friendship family and would like to share further in the life of the church, please complete the "Welcome" card in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate.

Gathering
Greeting/Announcements

"This Is The Day"

Call to Worship

from Psalm 16

L: I bless the Lord, who gives me counsel;
in the night also my heart instructs me.

P: *I keep the Lord always before me;
because the Lord is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.*

L: God shows us the path of life.

P: *In God's presence there is fullness of joy;
in God's right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

All: *O Come, let us worship the Lord!*

*** Hymn of Praise & Celebration**

UMH #454

"Open My Eyes"

*Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.*

*Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.*

Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

*Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wavenotes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee,*

*ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!*

*Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare
love with thy children thus to share.*

*Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.*

Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

***Affirmation of Faith**

UMH #888

L: This is the good news which we have received,
in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

ALL: *Christ died for our sins,
was buried,
was raised on the third day,
and appeared first to the women,
then to Peter and the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses.*

*We believe Jesus is the Christ,
the Anointed One of God,
the firstborn of all creation,
the firstborn from the dead,
in whom all things hold together,
in whom the fullness of God
was pleased to dwell
by the power of the Spirit.*

*Christ is the head of the body, the church
and by the blood of the cross
reconciles all things to God. Amen.*

***Gloria Patri**

UMH # 70

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:13-19, 28-35

*Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called
Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each
other about all these things that had happened. While they were*

talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

L: This is the Word of God, for the people of God.

P: *Thanks be to God!*

Offertory

"Just a Closer Walk"

The Choir

*The Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him, above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

UMH # 95

Kids' Time

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns/Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

During this time, the congregation is invited to offer up their concerns for others by speaking their name or by typing their name into the "chat" box on Facebook. Please offer only their first name to protect their privacy. After each name is raised, let the congregation respond:

"Lord, hear our prayer."

Hymn of Celebration

UMH #133

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

*What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.*

Refrain:

*Leaning, leaning,
safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning,
leaning on the everlasting arms.*

*O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
O how bright the path grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms.*

(Refrain)

*What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
leaning on the everlasting arms.*

(Refrain)

Hymn of Preparation

UMH # 328

"Surely The Presence Of The Lord"

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place
I can feel His mighty power and His grace
I can hear the brush of angel's wings
I see glory on each face*

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Message

“A Case of Heartburn”

Rev. Spore

Hymn of Discipleship

“Abide With Me”

UMH #700

*Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.*

*Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away;
change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.
I need thy presence every passing hour.
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.*

*I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.*

*Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;
shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.*

Benediction

Opportunities for Involvement and Ministry

Each Sunday

9:50 – Sunday School

11:00 – Worship

Each Wednesday

10:00 – Friendship Crafters

12:00 – Bible Study

4:00 – Choir Practice

Sunday, April 26

Friendship Cemetery Decoration Day – 2:00

April 29

1:30 – Ministry Team

Worship Leaders

Rev. Roy Spore –Pastor

Shirley Waldrum – Music leader

Linda Pease –Pianist

Karen Spore – Technical Assistant

Janie Epperly – Lay Reader

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