

April 12, 2026

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Easter

Welcome! We are glad you came to worship with us today!  
It is our prayer that you will be richly blessed as we worship.

†Denotes please stand as you are able in praise to God.

**Pastoral Greeting:**

**Call to Worship:**

L: Though darkness seems to envelop us.

**P: Jesus breaks through with a word of peace.**

L: Fears are banished!

**P: Hope is more than restored**

L: Rejoice! The Lord is with us!

**P: We rejoice in the peace and blessings he brings. AMEN.**

**\*Hymn of Praise:**

**“Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place”**      **UMH #328**

**Prayer of Confession:**

L: Draw near to God and confess our sins in the truth of God's Spirit.

**P: We listen to the news, read the newspapers, and wonder if peace will ever reign in your world, Lord. Today we have been invited to be with the disciples in that hidden place where they also wondered about peace and hope. You broke through. You shattered the darkness and they were astonished again. Help us to understand that you will bring peace to each one of us. Forgive all those times when we treat this moment of revelation as though it was impossible. Give us the courage to reach out to you and touch our hearts once again. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

**Words of Assurance:**

**†Affirmation of Faith:**      (Ecumenical Version)      **UMH #882**

**\* Gloria Patri:**      (Glory Be to the Father)      **UMH #70**

**\*Passing of the Peace of Christ:**

**Prayer for Illumination:**

**All: Guiding God, send your Holy Spirit upon the reading of your Word that it may serve to show us the path of life and lead us into your presence where there is fullness of joy. Amen.**

**NT Scripture:**      Acts 2:14a, 22-32      **Pew Bible Pg. 771**

**Responsive Reading:**      Psalm 16      **UMH #748**

**\*Gospel Scripture:**      John 20:19-31      **Pew Bible Pg. 769**

**Hymn of Preparation:**      “Open Our Eyes”      **TFWS #2086**

**Message:**      **Jay W. Brown, CLM/OSL**

**\*Special Music:**

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer:**      (see bulletin)

**Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts:**

**\*The Doxology:**      **UMH #95**

**\*Closing Hymn:**      “I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me”      **TFWS #2151**

**\*Benediction and Sending Forth:**  
**“God Be with You till We Meet Again”**      vs. 1&2      **UMH #672**



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## Church Announcements!!!!

### Weekly Church Services:

*Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.*

*Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 a.m.*

### *Weekly Bible Study*

*1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday's 7:00 p.m. at Wesley UMC*

*2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday's at St. John's UMC*

*(Any questions please check with either  
Lettie-Jane or the Pastor)*

### Church Staff:

**Ministers:** All Members of the Congregation

**Asst. to the Ministers:** Jay W. Brown, CLM, OSL  
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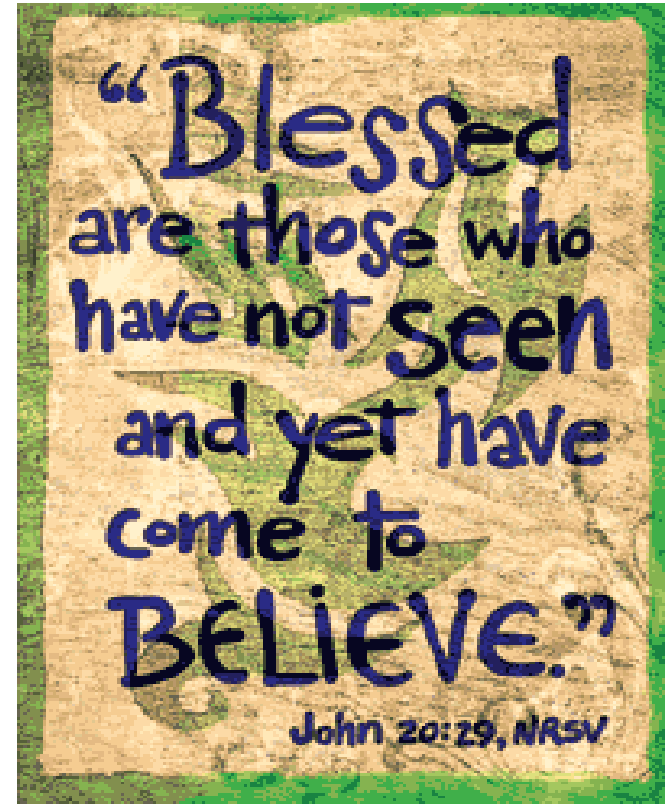
**Administrative Chairperson:** Jack L. Turner, Jr.

**Administrative Chairperson:** (Emeritus) Roberta Suloff

**Trustees Chairperson:** Robert White

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**“Wesley West Berlin”**



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