

# Napa Methodist Church

## April 21, 2024



## Resurrection Stories

**The United Methodist Church:  
Following Jesus, Thriving in Community,  
Found**



**Wherever you are on your journey of faith**

# you're welcome here.

**Prelude**

Brian Shaw

Worship Leaders: Leah Danao and Keith Calara

\*Welcome to worship! If you're worshipping online with us there's a link to the bulletin on the church website.

\* Please sign and pass the registration books.

\* Prayer cards in the pews are to share joys and concerns and go in the basket on the Communion rail. Prayers can also be emailed to [office@napamethodist.org](mailto:office@napamethodist.org) to be shared with the Prayer Group.

\*You are invited to walk through the Stations of Resurrection anytime during the Easter season. Each station has a QR code with the scripture attached to the picture and a reflection by the artist. Booklets with the information are also available.

\*Sing Napa Valley Concert is here at 3pm this afternoon.

\*Next Sunday at 11am is our Community lunch, and Burbank Housing and Napa Valley Community Housing will join us. Chix with Stix are the hosts to provide the main dish and everyone is invited to bring a side dish to share.

UMH The United Methodist Hymnal  
TFWS The Faith We Sing Songbook  
HM Himnario Metodista (Spanish hymnal)

## **Call to Worship**

Leader: What is it like to literally not have a home, a place to lay your head at night? "Homeless" can also mean a sense of not feeling "at home", lacking a feeling of belonging, feeling alone even in the midst of others. So many in this world are isolated. How can we find, and offer each other, "home" with the assurance of the presence of God and a beloved Community?

**Everyone: Rise up in us and we will rise  
from death into a newfound life:  
From bondage freed, from harm released,  
From illness healed, as one in peace.  
When all is lost our hearts are warmed,  
Our hope restored, our lives transformed.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

## **A Reading from John's Gospel**

*Readers: Vicki Poli, Pat Parker, Joan Feury, Choir*

**\*Gathering Song**      *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*  
UMH #526 HM #257

## **Bringing in the Light of Christ**

**Song for Children**      *Halle, Halle, Halle*      TFWS #2026  
*Led by William Somerville*

**Time for Children**      Pastor Marylee

## **\*Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Choir Anthem**      *The Lord Is My Shepherd*      Howard Goodall  
*Jan Lanterman, Conductor*

**Scripture**      *John 14:18-28*

**\*Song**      *God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale*      UMH #122

**Sermon**      *Resurrection Stories: Found*      Pastor Marylee

**Prayer Song**      *Do, Lord, Remember Me*      UMH #527 HM #37

## **New Member Welcome**

*Today we welcome our new member, Wendy Noonan*

Marylee: On behalf of the whole church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

**Response: With God's help, I do.**

Marylee: Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

**Response: With God's help, I do.**

Marylee: Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in His grace, and promise to serve Him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, races, gender identity, sexual orientation, and other abilities?

**Response: With God's help, I do.**

Marylee (to congregation): Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include Wendy in your care?

**Congregation: With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround her with a community of love and forgiveness, that she may grow in her trust of God, and be found faithful in her service to others. We will pray for her, that together we may walk in the way that leads to life.**

Marylee (to all): As members of this United Methodist congregation, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness? Will you strive to follow Jesus, thrive in community, and heal the world?

**Everyone: With God's help, we will. Amen**

## **A Time of Prayer**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Led by Canela Family*

*Learning the Lord's Prayer in Spanish*

**Padre nuestro,**

**que estás en el cielo.**

**Santificado sea tu nombre.**

**Venga tu reino.**

**Hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo.**

**Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.**

**Perdona nuestras ofensas,**

**como también nosotros perdonamos**

**a los que nos ofenden.**

**No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal. Amén.**

## **Invitation to Give Our Gifts**



**Offertory** *Zé Pequeno, Voce é Grande* by Dominginhos

**\*Doxology** *I Love to Tell the Story*

*(tune UMH #156, HM #56)*

The Savior of our stories has brought His peace to you;

now go and tell the story, for others need it too.  
To ev'ry one who's hurting ring out the gospel call;  
proclaim that Christ is risen and grants His peace to all.

I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

**Prayer of Dedication and Benediction**      Michael Herzog

**\*Closing Song**      *God Be with You till We Meet Again*  
UMH #672