Altar Flowers today are given to the glory of God by Loren & Barb Ing in celebration of Tyler's 18th birthday!

Upcoming dates to remember:

- -TODAY-there will be an Easter Egg hunt for Kingdom Kids at 12pm!
- -April 21st, Office is closed for Easter Monday.
- -April 27th, please join us for Women's Sunday in both services; Chapel 8:30am and Sanctuary 10:45am.
- -May 2nd, Care Team at 11:30am.
- -May 3rd, RFKC Training from 9am-3pm.
- -May 4th, Pulled Pork Luncheon to go or to eat in Fellowship Hall after each service. All donations go to youth mission trip.
- -May 5th, Piece Corps at 10am.
- -May 7th, Knox Public Health presents a Tick-Talk with Dr. Glen Needham who is a local tick born disease expert. Please join us in the Sanctuary at 6:30pm.

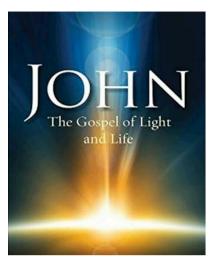
- **Kingdom Kids Activities:** Choir from 9:30am-9:45am and Sunday School from 9:45am-10:30am every Sunday in the blue room.
- Youth Bible Study: Led by Logan on the 3rd floor, Wednesdays from 6:15pm-7:30pm.
- Community Service Opportunities: Available on our website under the service tab.
- Worship Volunteer Needs: Positions include Liturgist, Lay Readers, Ushers, Live Stream, and Sound Board teams. Contact the office to help.

Our Mission

To make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the World.

Gay Street UMC

Experiencing God through Worship, Spiritual Growth, Care, and Service



Chapel, April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday-A New Garden, A New Beginning

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new."

Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true."

-Revelation 21:5

Welcome to Gay Street UMC!

Ways to stay connected; our website: www.gaystreetumc.org, Facebook, or by signing up for eDevos–our weekly newsletter with devotionals, prayer concerns, and events.

- Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-3pm | Phone: 740-392-6626 | Email: office@gaystreetumc.org
- Restrooms: Located at the end of the hallway on the first floor.
- **Prayer Concerns**: Share on green cards in pews and place them in the offering plate or give to the pastor.

Sermon Notes:	

EASTER SUNDAY

The *asterisk is an invitation to rise in body and/or spirit.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Christopher Liberati

PREPARATION

Prelude

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

Janet Guetle

arr. by Robert Hobby

Opening Prayer-All Uniting

Liturgist: Dwight Beougher

Christ the Lord is Risen today! Alleluia! Our hopes and dreams have come true. We do not have to fear death, for Christ goes before us. Praise be to God who has raised Christ from the dead and given to us new life. Open our hearts to receive your wondrous words of love, O God. Help prepare us for the opportunities to serve you by serving others. In Christ's Name, we pray. AMEN.

*Gathering Hymn

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

UM Hymnal 302

*CALL TO WORSHIP (congregation: please refer to the bold text)

L: The darkness is banished!

C: The brightness of God's love floods in on us!

L: Christ is risen from the dead!

C: Christ is alive forevermore!

L: Hallelujah!

C: Hallelujah! ALL: AMEN.

INTO THE WORD

Psalm 126 Lay Reader: Jerry Bell

*John 19:41 – 20:1, 11–16, 18

*Response to the Word Gloria Patri UM Hymnal 71

Message A New Garden, A New Beginning Rev. Christopher Liberati

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayer Hymn Christ Is Alive

Morning Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Invitation and Dedication for the Giving of Our Lives, Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings: When we bring an offering to God, it is a form of worship. Worshipping God with giving of our money reveals our hearts desire. We give sacrificially, generously, and continuously as a way of ascribing value to who God is in our lives. As we do so, our love for God and others grow.

*Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

UM Hymnal 94

UM Hymnal 318

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING FORTH

*Hymn of Parting He Lives UM Hymnal 310

*Benediction

Postlude *Hymn to Joy*Ludwig van Beethoven, setting by John Carter

Janet Guetle

