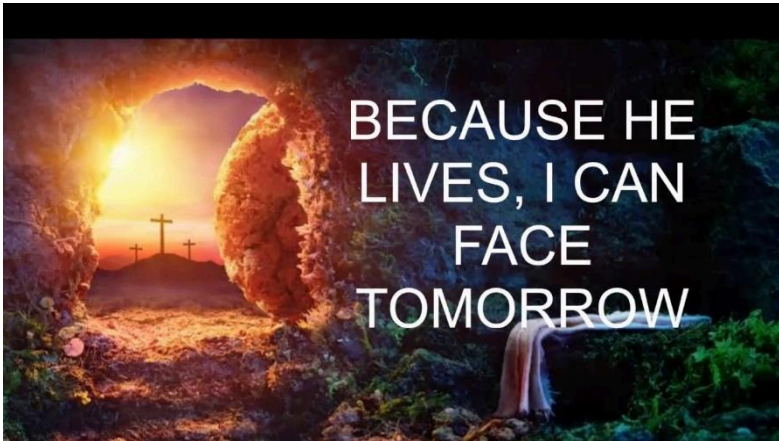


FUMC San Benito 1st Core Belief:

A church that is a community of joy that celebrates easily and laughs freely.



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Easter Sunday

April 5, 2026 ~ 10:30 a.m.

Welcome All!

We are pleased that you are worshipping with us either

on Face book Live or in the Sanctuary.

**Congregation, please stand if able*

PRELUDE

Tom Hoehn

Point to Ponder: It's Easter! We arrived! Or have we? Let us remember that Easter is not the end ~ it is about a New Start.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

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100% of our April Offering

**Seed Money to Help a Children/Youth Outreach
Beyond Our Local Church.**

***EASTER HYMN**

No. 302

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rudy Hyde

Leader: Easter people, Christ is risen! God is doing a new thing!

People: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!

Leader: Life has conquered death! Love has overcome fear!

People: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!

Leader: God has transformed a dead end into a new start!

People: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!

Leader: Easter people, raise your voices! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

***SONG OF PRAISE**

No.304

"Easter People, Raise Your Voices"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENT

Rudy Hyde

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: O God on this day of resurrection how could we feel anything by new life and yet we don't and even if we do no we will forget soon enough. We let the past keep us guilty, the future make us afraid, and the present is a burden for u. When we forget we are the Easter People.

So on this Easter Sunday we still need to confess our sins and as You to forgive our lack of faith, our quickness to believe that You do not hear us, and our pessimism about tomorrow.

Do a new thing in our hearts, and let us be glad and rejoice in your abundant care; as we use this time to get real with You.

A moment of silence with God for your personal prayer of confession.

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rudy Hyde

followed by THE LORD'S PRAYER

YOUR GIVING MADE A DIFFERENCE

OFFERTORY PRAYER: God of New Beginnings, you roll away more than stones. You roll away despair and doubt, fear and failure. On this Resurrection morning, we offer our gifts in gratitude for the new life we have found in Christ. Let these offerings be signs of our commitment to live differently -- eyes open, hearts awakened, hands ready to serve. May what we give today help announce to the world that hope is alive, love has triumphed, and joy cannot be contained. Use us and what we offer to keep telling the story: Christ is risen, indeed! Amen

***DOXOLOGY**

Scripture for Month of April

1 John 3:18

Let us not love just with words or speech, but with actions and in truth.

1 John 3:18

EPISTLE LESSON

Melissa Nelson

Romans 6:3-11

Liturgist: This is the Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

Rudy Hyde

“Obedience from the Heart”

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

No. 310

“He Lives”

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Melissa

Pastor: Go now in the blessing of God, who meets death with life, hatred with love, and hopeless endings with abundant possibilities, to build a community of life, love, and flourishing as Easter people, followers of the Risen Christ! Amen.

People: We go to build a community of life, love and flourishing as Easter people who are followers of the Risen Christ

Pastor: In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: Submit to God and God will bring the best out of you.

POSTLUDE

Tom Hoehn



Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.

The people of The United Methodist Church™

