



“But Peter and the apostles answered, ‘We must obey God rather than any human authority.’”

- Acts 5:29

April 27, 2025

ROLLING HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**SUNDAY WORSHIP HOURS
8:30 & 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.**

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OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

April 27, 2025

Second Sunday of Easter

8:30 and 10 a.m.

*As we gather we hope you will visit quietly with friends.
Please silence cell phones.*

*Standing - if comfortable

PRELUDE

“Albumleaf” – Florence Price

Althea Waites

*CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 150

Leader: Praise the Lord in the sanctuary; praise God in the heavens!

People: Praise the Lord for deeds of power!

Leader: Praise God with trumpet, with harp and tambourine and strings!

People: Praise the Lord with clashing cymbals!

Let everything that has life and breath praise the Lord!

*HYMN

“Easter People, Raise Your Voices”

#304

Easter people, raise your voices, sounds of heaven in earth should ring.

Christ has brought us heaven’s choices; heavenly music, let it ring.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Easter people, let us sing.

Every day to us is Easter, with its resurrection song.

When in trouble move the faster to our God who rights the wrong.

Alleluia! Alleluia! See the power of heavenly throngs.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: Gracious God, you opened the tomb and set us free to live in love. But you call us into places where the right path is not always clear. It is not easy to speak the truth when others want us to be quiet. It requires courage and hope we do not always have. Forgive us when we fall back into old ways, when we live as though Christ had not been raised. Help us to know that you are with us whenever we share your good news, whether in words of life or in deeds of compassion. In the name of the risen Christ we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Tony Moretti

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.

Holy, holy holy! Merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Welcome pads are at the seats closest to the center aisle. Please share your name and other helpful information and pass down the row. Afterward please return to the aisle seat.

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

The children are invited to gather in front of the steps for a brief sermon and prayer.

Afterward they may leave for Sunday School or stay for the rest of the service.

ANTHEM *"I'll Praise My Maker"* – Lloyd Pfautsch Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION April Herron

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

Althea Waites

*DOXOLOGY

#95

**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.**

SCRIPTURE

Tony Moretti

Acts 5:27-42

The disciples get back to work

Pg. 149, New Testament

SERMON

"Causing Trouble after Easter"

Jonathan Chute

*HYMN

"He Lives"

#310

**I serve a risen Savior, he's in the world today;
I know that he is living, whatever foes may say.
I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer,
And just the time I need him, he's always near.**

**(Refrain) He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.**

**Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!
The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find;
None other is so loving, so good and kind.**

(Refrain)

*BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**God be with you till we meet again, by his counsels guide, uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you. God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

"Toccata in F Major" – Buxtehude

Althea Waites

New to the Church?

We are grateful that we can worship together. Please use our digital welcome pad by opening the QR code. Thank you!



Rev. Jonathan Chute, Senior Pastor
Rev. Kristin Sutrave, Youth Ministry Director
Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director
Paula Kuno, 3rd Service Music
Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director
Peggy Roulette, Church Office Administrator
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