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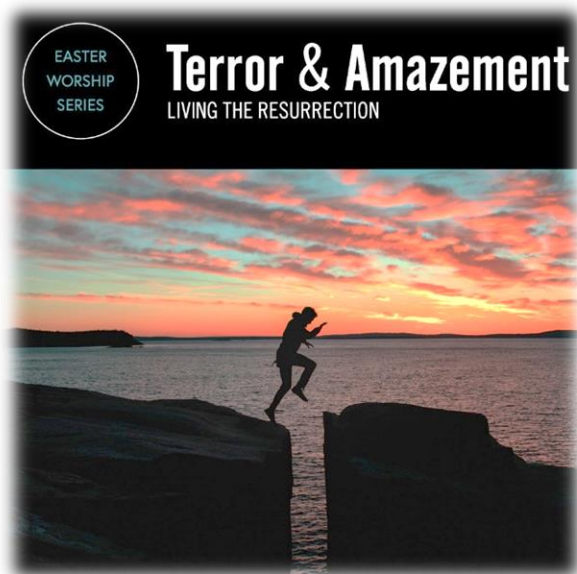
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APRIL 4, 2021 ***EASTER DAY***



*Easter is a day to feel, even more than to understand.
It is a day to accept more than a day to explain.
Even though our foundations have been shaken, we move forward,
because that is where the Risen one is going.
He is going ahead of you.
Let's keep moving forward.*

**Please stand in either body or spirit*

Order of Worship

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jackie

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jackie & Colette Barth

Liturgist: Christ is risen!

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Liturgist: Exhale. Go ahead, exhale. Breathe out. Let go. On this Easter Sunday, allow your souls to be replenished. Take in the joy. Take in peace. Take in the togetherness. Take what you need.

Pastor: And wonder. Wonder, and imagine, and reflect, and question, and listen. Listen deeply to the words and the songs. Listen deeply to the Holy Spirit. And hear the words that God has for you. We merge from the long days of Lent, our journey through the wilderness. And we acknowledge that there is a darkness in this world that seems to loom. And we remember that nestled within the great mystery of the Resurrection is a great light. Search for that light, that hope on this day.

Liturgist: So, we come into this space, this sacred space, and we bring ourselves; our whole selves. We encourage you to embrace your body and we invite you to use your body to give God a hand clap of praise, to sing, to jump around, to dance, to celebrate. And as we celebrate the Risen Savior, we invite you to bring your full selves into worship because Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

UMH 302

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 118:14-24

Colette Barth

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Jackie

Pastor: Sing aloud O mothers and sons!

Fathers and daughters, sisters and brothers,
rejoice and exult with all your hearts!

Let's offer our prayers and thanksgivings with one voice,

calling out the good news —

All: The tomb stands empty!

Pastor: We look for our Savior among the living.

All: Jesus Christ is alive and in our midst today.

Pastor: We pray for all faithful people —
for every human soul that turns to God in longing and in love.
Today and every day, pull us out of our graves and into your life.

All: The tomb stands empty.

Pastor: We look for our Redeemer among the living.

All: Jesus Christ is alive and among us today.

Pastor: We pray for the nations of the earth —
for those in authority, and for those under authority.
Come from the four winds, O Breath of Life,
and we shall live together in peace.

All: The tomb stands empty.

Pastor: We look for our Mediator among the living.

All: Jesus Christ is alive and within us today.

Pastor: We pray for this world, our garden home —
for the rain and the snow, the seed and the sprout —
for the birthing room and the last place of rest —
for every new creation.

All: The tomb stands empty.

Pastor: We look for our Gardener among the living.

All: Jesus Christ is alive and beside us today.

Pastor: We pray for those who are sick or suffering —
for anyone who needs extra help just now.
We pray especially for those named here today, aloud and in our
hearts...(silence)
Living Lord, renew them in Your love.

All: The tomb stands empty.

Pastor: We look for our Sustainer among the living.

All: Jesus Christ is alive and with us today.

Pastor: We pray for those who have died, and for all who mourn. We pray
especially for those named here today, aloud and in our hearts...(silence)
Eternal One, bring them home and gather them in.

All: The tomb stands empty.

Pastor. We look for our Beloved among the living.

All: Jesus Christ is alive and in the midst of us today.

Pastor. With joy and exultation,
we give thanks for the triumph of life over death,
offering special thanks for those joys, sorrows,
Challenges and delights named here today, aloud and in our
hearts...(silence)

We are amazed at what has happened.

All: The tomb stands empty!

Pastor. We look for our Creator among the living.

All: Jesus Christ is alive and in our hearts today.

Pastor. Holy One, even before we call, you answer;
while we are yet speaking, you hear.
we offer up these prayers in the name of the Risen Christ —
our Savior, Redeemer, and Friend. **Amen**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Mighty God of Resurrection power: We so desperately need the
“Alleluia!” morning! We have lived with death for so long; we have
been trapped in our tombs so long, we could not be more anxious to
hear the report from Mary, “I have seen the Lord!” We know in our
hearts that you have been with us through all the past year has
handed us, and we have seen you in the generosity of heart that has
brought us through these days. As we give back to you this day, may
we do so as those convinced that light will always was away
darkness, and life will always defeat death! In the name of our risen
Savior, we pray, Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Giving is an act of worship and a means by which you can empower the
work of the Church.*

*DOXOLOGY

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 16:1-8

Pastor Jackie

MORNING MESSAGE

Terror and Amazement

Pastor Jackie

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING & GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

*SENDING HYMN *Up From the Grave He Arose*

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*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Worship Leaders

Rev. Jackie Freeman



<i>Liturgist</i>	<i>Ushers</i>	<i>Music Leader</i>
Colette Barth	Volunteers	Rev. Wanda Ritchea Sarah Ritchea



Flowers for Easter Sunday Were Lovingly Given to the Glory of God in Celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

To the Glory of God

Jeanine Calliham

In Memory of Blair James

In Memory of Carey James

Gail James

Announcements

- **Church Office – Facemasks Required for all visits**

Hours: Monday – Thursday, 9:00am – 3:00pm (closed during lunch)

Pastor Meetings by appointment, call church office @ 361-275-5272.

- **Sacred Spaces** – Look at our Cuero FUMC YouTube page
- **Church Office Closed** – Monday, April 5
- **Leadership Council** – Meeting on Monday, April 12 @ 6:30pm

Week of April 5 – April 11

Monday, April 5 <i>Church office closed</i>	9:00am	Easy Does It
Tuesday, April 6	7:00pm	Sacred Spaces – YouTube Page
Wednesday, April 7	9:00am	Easy Does It
Thursday, April 8	9:00am 2:00pm	CAMAL Senior Hour CAMAL Distribution
Friday, April 9	9:00am	Easy Does It
Saturday, April 10		
Sunday, April 11	10:30am	Cuero FUMC

Worship Leaders
Rev. Jackie Freeman
April 11, 2021

<i>Liturgist</i>	<i>Music Leader</i>
Pastor Jackie	Rev. Wanda Ritchea Sarah Ritchea

**C.A.M.A.L. House
Collection**

April

Peanut Butter

Financial Information March 2021

Revenues: \$6,237.00

Expenditures: \$10,268.00

***Mother's Day
BBQ Fundraiser
May 8, 2021***

What: UMW of Cuero FUMC BBQ Fundraiser

When: May 8, 2021

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Where: Cuero FUMC/Fellowship Hall @ 211 N. Clinton

Pork Loin (3.5lb average)	\$20
Baby Back Ribs (full rack)	\$25
Pork Sausage	\$6
Homemade BBQ Sauce	
½ Pint	\$6
Pint	\$10

PRESALE TICKETS ONLY - Deadline April 30.

For tickets, please contact the church office @361-275-5272
or text Colette Barth @361-676-5484.

This will make a great meal for mom and will fund mission projects throughout the year.



United
Methodist
Women

He is *Risen,*

