

**Prelude** Phil Haga, organist  
*Hail Thou Once Despised Jesus....* By Julius Roentgen

**Words of Greeting**

**Call to Worship** Alan Gorrell  
*From Ministry Matters*

You are never left outside God's house.

**There is always room for us.**

Jesus himself has prepared a place for each of us.

**When our time comes, we will be welcomed and made whole in Christ.**

Make your hearts ready to receive the goodness of the Lord.

**We are ready to step into service for God. AMEN.**

**Hymn of Praise** Phil Haga  
*Leaning On the Everlasting Arms* **UMH 133**  
*At this time, we invite you to bring forward your weekly offering to the plate and your missions giving to the basket.*

**Doxology** **UMH 95**

**First Scripture Reading** Alan Gorrell  
*1 Peter 2:4-10* *Common English Bible*

**Prayer Concerns** Rev. Casey Irwin  
*Prayer request cards can be brought to the altar rail, or left at the exit near the bulletins.*

**Silent Prayer**  
*We invite you to name aloud persons you are praying for.*  
**Pastoral prayer**  
*The Lord's Prayer*

**UMH 895**

**Responsive Song**  
*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.*  
*When I call, answer me.*  
*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.*  
*Come and listen to me. (repeat once)*

**Second Scripture Reading**  
*Acts 4:8-22* *Common English Bible*

**Sermon** Rev. Casey Irwin  
*Live to Serve: From the Heart*

**Hymn of Benediction** Phil Haga  
*Blessed Assurance* **UMH 369**

**Benediction** Rev. Casey Irwin

**Postlude** Phil Haga, organist  
*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee....* By Beethoven, arr. by Edward Hodges

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**Announcements**

In an effort to sustain the expenses such as housing and school tuition, the **Help for Haiti Children's Home** Board is hosting a **Donor Dinner and Art Auction this evening at 5 PM.** Join us as a volunteer or a donor for an authentic Haitian meal, opportunities for a silent auction, and a presentation about the ministry.

**Sign-up sheets are out for volunteer opportunities**, or be an advocate and invite people to attend.

**Chancel Choir** will sing again during 11 AM worship on Sunday, May 14th. Rehearsals start today after 11 AM worship. All are welcome to join! Contact Phil with any questions or conflicts.

**Trustees Church Improvement Day** is April 29, beginning at 10 a.m. If you notice projects or improvements, use the sign-up sheets to let us know.

If you are interested in being a part of the **email prayer chain**, please sign up as you exit the sanctuary or [email Pastor Casey](mailto:email.Pastor.Casey). The messages will be distributed through our email lists on Realm.

**Church Office Hours:**

Sundays 2-6 PM  
Tuesdays 5-8 PM  
Wednesdays 5-8 PM

**Weekly Schedule**

Sundays 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting  
Tuesdays 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting  
Thursdays 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

**Upcoming Dates**

Sunday, April 23 5:00 p.m. Help for Haiti Donor Dinner and Auction  
April 24-26 Jubilation "Saints & Sages" Retreat In Pigeon Forge  
Saturday, April 29 10:00 a.m. Trustees Church Improvement Day  
Tuesday, May 9 5:30 p.m. United Women in Faith Meeting

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**First United Methodist Church, Bristol**

**11:00 AM Worship**

**April 23, 2023**

**First Sunday after Easter**

Children's worship boxes are available in the West lobby.  
Coffee and other hot beverages are available in the East lobby.