



## Live Into Hope!

i thank You God for most this amazing  
day: for the leaping greenly spirits of trees  
and a blue true dream of sky; and for everything  
which is natural which is infinite which is yes  
(i who have died am alive again today  
and this is the sun's birthday; this is the birth  
day of life and of love and wings; and of the gay  
great happening illimitably earth)  
how should tasting touching hearing seeing  
breathing any—lifted from the no  
of all nothing—human merely being  
doubt unimaginable You?  
(now the ears of my ears awake and  
now the eyes of my eyes are opened)

-E. E. Cummings



Depending on when you read this, we may still be moving through the emotional depths of Holy Week, or basking in the post-Easter joy. Either way, the truth is the same: Christ is alive, and we are invited into the gift of new life as well. One of my favorite things about our liturgical calendar is its insistence on dwelling in that joy for a good long while. We celebrate twelve days of Christmas, but *fifty* days of Easter. All through the spring, we are reminded that Christ's resurrection is not a momentary miracle but a transformative turning point in history, one after which the world will never be the same.

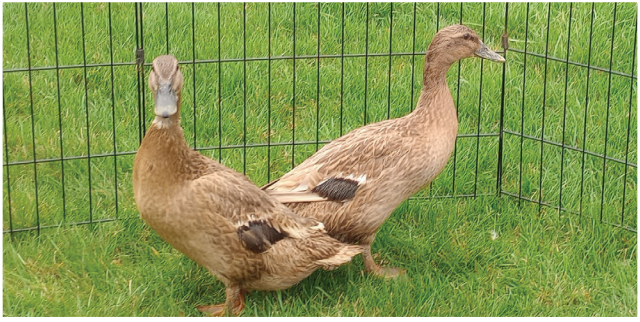
As we move through this season, pay attention to the signs of hope and life around you; the reminders that even in a hurting world, Christ reaches out to us with newness and possibility.

This poem by E. E. Cummings captures something of that mystery and joy beautifully. Read slowly, and it can wash over you and evoke the full, embodied experience of Easter: the hope and peace of a world waking from its winter slumber, the promise of resurrection morning. But read too quickly, and parts of it sound like beautiful nonsense: rich, but bewildering.

I find that tension instructive. It mirrors something true about faith itself: we are held by a hope that sometimes surpasses our understanding, encouraged even in the places where we are challenged or confused. The resurrection is not a tidy answer. It is a vast, living mystery, and we are invited into it. This Easter season, may we dwell in both the mystery and the hope, and receive with open hands the gifts of God.

Peace,  
Rev. Hannah Lundberg

# Engaging Our Neighbors



## **Kid's Easter Party!**

Saturday, April 4. Come by Westminster 10am-11:30am to enjoy a small-animal petting farm, crafts, story time, and of course, an Easter Egg Hunt!

Bring your kids and grandkids, invite your neighbors, and join the fun!



## **Habitat House of Faith**

Our next Habitat for Humanity work days will be in the month of May. Mark your calendars for 5/9 and 5/22. We are looking for 4 volunteers each service date. This long-standing partnership helps revitalize homes for folks in need throughout our community. The 2026 build site is located on Ainsworth Cir. in Ypsilanti. No experience necessary, and all tools will be provided!

Visit our website for more information and to sign up. Use code "Westminster" when registering. Reach out to Ron Fairchild (ron@thefairchilds.net) with any questions.

Thank you for your faithful support of those in need in our community!

## Connecting in the Presbytery

Elders from eight Presbyterian Churches in our area (FPC Saline, Northside Presbyterian, FPC Belleville, Calvary Presbyterian, People's Presbyterian Milan, FPC Ypsilanti, Geneva Presbyterian Canton, and Westminster) gathered in February for a joint elder training held at Westminster, focused on building deeper connections between our churches to share support, ideas, and encouragement. This group will gather again two more times in 2026, and we look forward to greater collaboration with our Presbyterian neighbors in the process!



## Our Life Together



### Holy Week Service

Our Holy Week Service will be on Thursday, April 2. This service combines the liturgy and traditions of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday on the same day. It will begin at 6pm with a modest meal in Fellowship Hall where we will also hear the traditional scriptures of Maundy Thursday and partake in holy communion. We will then move to the Sanctuary to continue our worship focusing on the liturgy and events of Good Friday. We hope you can join us as we move through the story of Holy Week together.



### Easter Sunday

Join us for a time of fellowship before the service on Easter morning! On Sunday, April 5, there will be some extra treats to enjoy from 10-11am by the coffee bar.

Let's celebrate the joy of the resurrection together!

### Game Night: Next Month

Please note that there will not be a game night in April. We'll be back again in May!



WPC youth work on preparing Holy Week cards for some of our members

## Children and Youth Sunday!

On Sunday, April 19th, worship will be led by our children and youth! This year in children's faith formation classes, we have been learning about generosity and prayer, and the youngest members of our congregation look forward to sharing some of their learnings and leadership with you all—be sure to join us that day!



## This Month's Preaching Schedule:

**April 2:** *Holy Week Service*

**April 5: EASTER SUNDAY** Rev. Hannah Lundberg

**April 12:** Rev. Hannah Lundberg (Communion)

**April 19:** Children and Youth Sunday

**April 26:** Rev. Hannah Lundberg

## Learn and Grow Together

**Reading Through the Bible Group** meets Sundays at 9:30am in Room 34 and via Zoom. Contact Marcia Anderson ([hilden.anderson@gmail.com](mailto:hilden.anderson@gmail.com); 734-757-4305) for more information.

**Sunday Morning Adult Ed** meets in the fellowship hall at 9:30am.

**Children and Youth Faith Formation** meets on the second and third Sundays of each month at 9:30am. Contact Cathy Daniels ([catld1121@gmail.com](mailto:catld1121@gmail.com)) for more info.

**Monday Conversations** are weekly at 1pm online: an opportunity to discuss Sunday's sermon in a small group. The Zoom invitation is in the Friday *Good Things* and Sunday podcast emails.

**Mary Martha Group** meets the first and third Mondays at 7pm via Zoom. Contact Margaret Klammer ([mklammer@comcast.net](mailto:mklammer@comcast.net)) for more information.

**Matthew 25 Study Group** meets at 7pm on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. For meeting information, please contact Elizabeth Tidd ([lizabeth0405@yahoo.com](mailto:lizabeth0405@yahoo.com)) or Carol Hufnagel ([carol.hufnagel@tetrattech.com](mailto:carol.hufnagel@tetrattech.com)).

**Thursday Book Club** meets weekly at 1pm at Westminster and over Zoom. Contact Linda Harnisch for more information ([rlharnisch@gmail.com](mailto:rlharnisch@gmail.com)).



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