

Adult Education Forum

You're invited to join our weekly Adult Education Forum, where we explore meaningful questions about our faith, values, and beliefs. This forum is a welcoming space for open dialogue, reflection, and a deeper understanding of how our faith shapes our lives. We meet in the library from 8:45 to 9:45 on Sunday mornings prior to worship.

Fellowship Sundays – Share Your Favorite Treats!

Pick a Sunday to bring some of your favorite snacks or treats to share! Fellowship time is a wonderful opportunity for the congregation to gather, catch up, and welcome new friends. Sign up to host and help make our time together even more special!

Special Music

Do you or someone you know have a musical talent to share? We're coordinating music for our worship services and would love for you to be a part of it! Please reach out to Marcia or call/text 331-276-7979.

Our services are livestreamed on

YouTube each Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Visit youtube.com/@fumcdundee or our website, fumc wd.org, to view our past services.

Easter

at First UMC West Dundee



318 West Main St., West Dundee, IL 60118



Welcome!

Rise in body or in spirit where designated by * Please join in speaking the words in bold.
Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025

A Celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord

PRELUDE	<i>He is Lord/Up from the Grave He Arose</i> Brian Rohr, Caedmon Clark, trumpets	
*DECLARATION	On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they come to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the man said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen!”	
*HYMN	<i>Christ the Lord Is Risen Today</i>	UMH #302
*OPENING PRAYER	Holy and living God, as a tomb’s darkness gives way to light, let your love shine brightly in our hearts. Give us faith that we might erase “impossible” from our minds; remind us instead that nothing stands forever in the way of accomplishing your will. We pray in the name of the one who conquered even death – the risen Christ, our Savior. Amen.	
GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST		
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord</i>	
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE		
SONG	<i>He Lives</i>	UMH #310
PASTORAL PRAYER		
HYMN	<i>The Day of Resurrection</i>	UMH #303
THE LESSON	Luke 24:6-12	
RESPONSE	The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God!	
HYMN	<i>Because He Lives</i>	UMH #364

MESSAGE	“Bunnies, Eggs and Empty Tombs: No Wonder the Children are Confused!”	Pastor Rick Carlson
OFFERTORY	<i>In The Garden</i> Caedmon Clark, French horn; Brian Rohr, piano	
*DOXOLOGY		
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION		
*HYMN	<i>Easter People, Raise Your Voices</i>	UMH #304
*SENDING FORTH		
POSTLUDE	<i>We Shall Rise</i> Please join us for a time of sharing in the Fireside Room.	
PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY’S SERVICE		
Greeters	Carol Buvel, Mark Lauber, and Sonja Hunterr	
Media	Dane Granholm, Laura Suskin	
Pastor	Pastor Rick Carlson	

For pastoral care, please contact Pastor Rick at 630-564-0413