

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2026

*Denotes people standing if able

PRELUDE - BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

Jesus is the Light of the World. Please be silent and prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord, you who worship the Lord; stand in awe of God, and give glory to the Lord.

All: For the Lord does not despise the poor and needy, but when they cry out, God answers them.

Leader: The hungry shall eat and be satisfied, and those who love the Lord shall offer praise.

All: All the ends of the earth shall worship God, for the Lord rules over every nation.

*OPENING HYMN

“What Gift Can We Gring”

#87
(UM Hymnal)

We are collecting prayer cards during the first hymn.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Please announce your joys and prayer concerns or place your prayer request card (found in the pew) in the offering plate

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

#895
(UM Hymnal)

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Nearer Melody”

Agape Choir

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SERMON TEXT

Malachi 3:10-12

(On Screen)

Leader: The word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Tithing”

Pastor Duane Lindsey

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

Offertory – Please place UMCOR donations in the offering plate
The baskets are for this month’s mission offering, not UMCOR

* Song of Praise

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

#95

* The Blessing of Our Gifts

(UM Hymnal)

*CLOSING HYMN

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

#89

(UM Hymnal)

*CLOSING PRAYER

*UNITING TOGETHER in the

“Bond of Love” Chorus

#206

(If you don’t want to hold hands for health reasons that is okay)

(Praise Book)

POSTLUDE

Jesus Christ is the Light of the World. As the Light leads us out into the world, we go to serve, to love, and to share the Good News of God’s grace.

COMING UP THIS WEEK! (The Church Office is open 9 am to 12 pm, Mon – Thurs)

Sunday, April 26 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Monday, April 27

Office open 9:00 a.m. – 12:00p.m.

Carla Out of Office (Pam in office)

Tuesday, April 28

Office open 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Pastor Duane's office hours 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Carla Out of Office (Elaine in office)

Wednesday, April 29

Office open 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Pastor Duane's office hours 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Carla Out of Office (Amy in office)

Chosen Bible Study in Gather Inn at 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 30

Office open 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Pastor Duane's office hours 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Evy's Closet is closed and will open again May 8th from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Carla Out of Office (Pam in office)

Friday, May 1

Office Closed

Pastor Duane's office hours by appointment

Sunday, May 3 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Breakfast after Service

FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US

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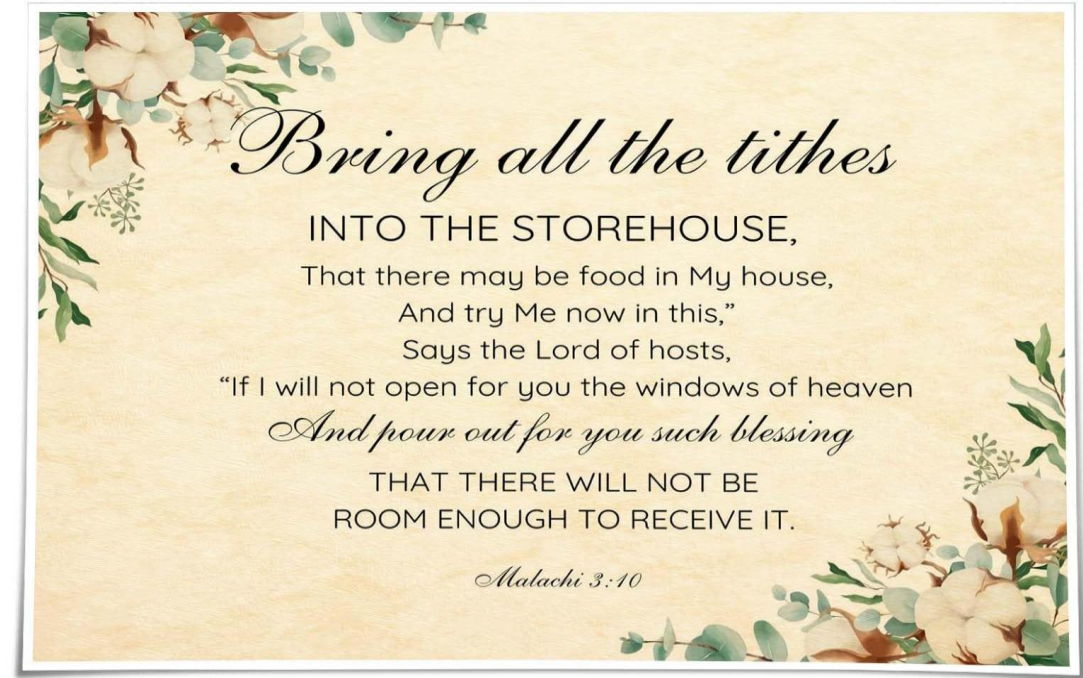
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Amy Wade, Custodian: 574.261.3205

NEW JOURNEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
302 Cedar St, Niles, MI 49120



*If you are visiting with us today, we warmly welcome you! As United Methodists, we share a faith in God that is rooted in Compassion, Grace, and Love. If you are seeking to worship where reason, and faith join hands, where you can make a friend while you make a difference, we invite you to join us again to learn about and share the love of our **Savior Jesus Christ!***

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