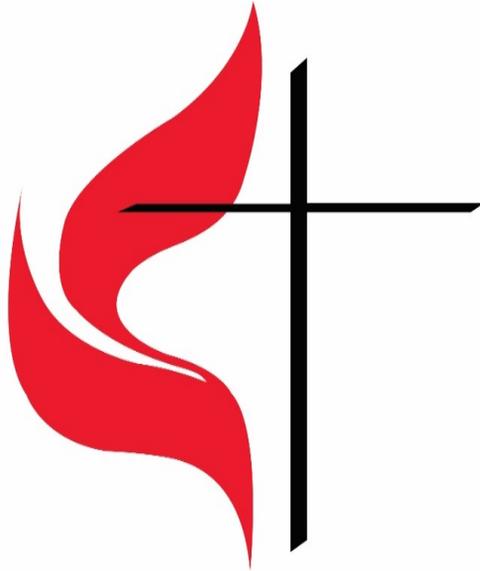




May message from Pastor Zach

May is a month full of milestones, not just because it's full of birthdays for my family. But also, because in many places, May is graduation month. It's a time of transition. By May, whatever version of Spring we had begins to give way to Summer. Every seasonal change is a time of revealing, and in the case of this time of year, a time of resurrection. The grass regains its green, and the leaves and flowers bud and bloom. What was dead is now alive again. It is the season of Easter in both the natural world around us and the liturgical world of the church.

So it's fitting that for the season of Easter, which includes the entire month of May, the lectionary will be taking us through parts of the book of Revelation, or apocalypse; a word that does not mean "destruction" or the "end of the world" as popular culture has often characterized it, but literally "to make known, or plain, to reveal, or bring to light." As we travel



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through Revelation, we'll be pairing those scriptures with readings from the Gospel of John, where Jesus is either preparing his followers for his departing, or a fresh start in his reappearing.

So, it might be appropriate to ask ourselves as we prepare for Eastertide: What needs to be brought to light in your life? Where are you waiting for revelation, or for new life to bloom after a dormant winter? Where do you find the need for renewal, or a fresh start?

This is a season for celebrating the newness of life in Christ, something we joyously celebrate with those who were baptized and joined the church on Easter Sunday. It is a time for expecting resurrection in our personal lives and the world around us. Can this be scary, you ask? Have you read Revelation? Yes, it can. It can be scary, down-right intimidating, even. But remember that it was the same for disciples during the first Easter season. They were torn as to what had happened to Jesus, on the cross and on Easter morning. How is it that he died and is alive again, and what does this mean for them

going forward? What does that mean for us.

Join us as we explore the meaning of Easter this month and anticipate resurrection taking place all around us.

See you in Church,
Pastor Zach

**Welcome to the United Methodist
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We're glad you found us.

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~ Church Office Hours~

Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. - Noon

~Pastor's Office Hours~

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. - Noon

Wednesday: 10 a.m. - Noon

Thursday: @ Chubby Dog: 10-12 p.m.,
or any other time by appointment.

Pastor Zach's Sabbath are Fridays.

Things to put on your calendar:



live music
local vendors
fun for all ages
community art
and more!

Sat. May 3 northeast ct's
12-4:00 second annual
celebration of
all thing love!
Rotary Park, Putnam

PLUS: Fri. May 2: Kick Off Party, 8-10pm
Chubby Dog Coffee, Main St, Danielson

Sat. May 3: Happy Hour: 4-8pm, After Pride Party: 8-?
Bear Hands Brewing, Main St, Putnam



5/4 - Native American Special Giving
Sunday
5/19 - Missions Meeting 6:30 p.m.
followed by Ad Council Meeting 7 p.m.

Please feel free to share any of your
special events: joys & celebrations,
anniversaries, birthdays, special
awards/honors, trips, etc.
Deadline for news items is the 10th of
each month. Send info to
umcd@snet.net.



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Church Happenings:

Sunday:

9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday school class
10:15 a.m. Worship - In Person and
Zoom (See link below)
2 p.m. Davis Place - every 1st Sunday
2 - 3 p.m. Al Anon in fellowship hall

Tuesday:

1 p.m. K.B.I.C. every 3rd Tuesday

Wednesday:

12p.m. Community Kitchens

Friday:

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Diaper Bank,
last Friday of the month
6:30 - 8pm: NA in fellowship hall

Saturday:

9 - 10 am: Bible Study in Christian Ed
Room and Zoom (See link below)

Happy Mother's Day

Children's Moments:

May 4 - Pastor Zach

May 11 - Cassi

May 18 - Chrissy

May 25 - Sue



Please sign up for Coffee Time and greeters. Please see Sandy Andrews with questions or to sign the sign-up sheets.

There is also a sign-up sheet for flowers on the back table. If you want to give flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, friend, pet, special occasion, etc. please sign up!



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ZOOM Info:

Sunday Service: **Meeting ID:** 899 8668 2568

Adult Sunday School: **Meeting ID:** 862 3566 5633

Bible study: **Meeting ID:** 707 166 7519

Liturgist schedule:

May 4 - Elle Sharrow and Cyndi Perkins

May 11 - Ariana Miles and Sue Martin

May 18 - Mark Hoyt

May 25 - Joann Caulder



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5/2 Chrissy Pagano

5/4 Nathan Hoyt

5/4 Rob Perkins

5/5 Kevin Hoyt

5/5 Doug Butterfield

5/12 Amy Bernat

5/17 Ray Bowen
5/17 Pastor Zach
5/19 Liz Burroughs
5/22 Rachel Wright
5/25 Cori Sharrow
5/31 Patrick Collins



Leadership group:

Lay Leader: Cyndi Perkins

Office Manager: Betsy Kneeland

Reverend: Zach LeCrone

IT/Media Director: Cori Sharrow

The church's email will be changing soon. Please use betsy.kneeland@umcdanielson.org.

Congratulations to the following for being baptized, joining the church or being confirmed on Easter Sunday:

Bob and Emily Boswell, Zachary Mineau

Elle Sharrow

Raymond and Cheryl Bowen

Nicholas Malone

Cassi and Ariana Miles

Rachel Wright