



**Tuckaleechee United Methodist Church**  
**April 26, 2020, Third Sunday after Easter**  
**Rev. Richard Rudesill**

**Worship Service**

**Prelude & Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

**Hymn of Praise**

*"Blessed Assurance"*

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Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

**Refrain:** This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending bring from above, echoes of mercy, whispers of love. **(Refrain)**

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. **(Refrain)**

**Responsive Reading (From Psalm 116)**

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.

**The Lord protects the simple; when I was brought low, the Lord saved me.**

Return, O my soul, to your rest,

**For the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.**

For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

**I walk before the Lord in the land of the living.**

**Morning Prayer, Pastoral Prayer, The Lord's Prayer**

**Scripture Reading**

**Offertory**

**Children's Moment**

**Anthem**

**Morning Scripture**

**Morning Message**

*"Seek Ye First"*

Emily Skidmore

*"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"*

"Eyes Wide Open"

1 Peter 1:17-23

(See Online Video)

(See Online Video)

(See Online Video)

Luke 24:13-35

(See Online Video)

**\*Hymn of Response**

*"Open My Eyes, That I May See"*

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Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me; place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see. Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear; and while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see. Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere; open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see. Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

**Benediction**

**Church Announcements**

**Wild Kids and Youth** are meeting online weekly! We will be meeting via the Zoom application. See Elizabeth Rudesill for access codes to join us!

**Emmaus Reunion group** is meeting weekly online. We will be meeting via the Zoom application. See Pastor for access codes to join us!

**Easter Donations:** We invite you to offer a donation in 'Honor or Memory of Loved Ones' to help sponsor our children to Camp Wesley Woods. **This deadline has been extended until April 26<sup>th</sup>**. We will print a list of Loved Ones and Donors on May 3<sup>rd</sup> or when we meet in person! Thank you!

**The May 16<sup>th</sup> Second Harvest Distribution** is going to be different! We will be receiving a truck on Friday May 15<sup>th</sup> and distributing food on the 16<sup>th</sup>. We will not need helpers on May 15<sup>th</sup> as a result. We will need a few hands on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Watch the announcements for times. We will use pre-packaged food and will take it straight off the truck and put it into the cars. We are also partnering with St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church for this distribution and will be using their site since it is ideal for drive thru delivery.

**Offerings to Church:** Due to the Coronavirus and the difficult decision to cancel church services until an unspecified time, we know that offerings cannot be given in a church service that is not happening. We ask that offerings be donated online at the Conference website (see below) or you can send checks by mail to TUMC, 7322 Old Tuckaleechee Road, Townsend, TN 37882. Also, offerings can be brought by during Pastor's Office Hours from 8-11 AM on Tuesdays and Wednesdays or held until we can gather together again.

**Online Church Offerings:** The Holston Conference has set up a website to be able to receive offerings for any Holston Conference church. [Click Here to donate online](#) or type the address in as <https://holston-reg.brtapp.com/ChurchOffering>. When the website asks for a district name, select **"Smoky Mountain"** and then select **"Tuckaleechee UMC-Townsend, TN"**.

Tennessee Governor Bill Lee is rescinding the "Safer at Home" order for Tennessee at the end of April. This will allow for a limited reopening of the state beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>. But he is still asking us not to have gatherings involving more than 10 people. Our Holston Conference Bishop has asked us to continue not meeting due to this and the order of Governor Northam of Virginia to keep that state closed through June 10<sup>th</sup>.

*Special Person for Month of April is Elizabeth 'Libby' Webb*

*Birthday April 14<sup>th</sup>*

*247 River View Rd., Townsend, TN 37882*

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*Please send a card or make a call*

*Please keep Frances Adams and her Family in your prayers  
Upon the passing of husband Clark on April 17<sup>th</sup>.*