

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Commerce, Texas
May 5, 2024

RESURRECTION STORY: LIBERATED

Prelude "Adagio" R.Nyquist
Choral Call to Worship "Hail the Power"
Threshold Moment Resurrection Story John 21:9-19
All: We open our hearts and hands and resources to make better the circumstances of all people for living and thriving.
Leader: This is a Word of Hope for the people who long for it.
All: Thanks be to the Living Word.
* Hymn "Here I Am, Lord" UMH 593

PROCLAIMING LIBERATION

Children's Moment: *New Life Happens* Pastor Cheryl
Anthem "Feast Upon the Memory"
J. Martin & J.P. Williams
Message To Love Me Is to Follow Me Pastor Cheryl
Testimony to Liberation Zalmay "Zee" Niazy

RESPONDING TO LIBERATION

Choral Call to Prayer "Almighty Father"
Invitation to Christ's Table UMH p. 12
Confession and Words of Assurance UMH p. 12
* Passing the Peace UMH p. 12
Offertory Prayer
Offertory "The Day Hath Dawned, the Day of Days"
J.S. Bach

The Great Thanksgiving UMH p. 13-14
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn "Break Thou the Bread of Life" UMH 599
* Sending Forth
* Choral Benediction "Go Now and Live"
* Postlude "Trumpet Tune" in D Major D. Gabrieli
*You are invited to stand.

Worship Leaders

Rev. Cheryl Murray, Pastor
Gene Lockhart, Music Director
John Burkett, Organist
Dennis Anderson, Sound Tech
Claire Floyd, Video Tech
Kayden Blake, Acolyte
Carolyn Trezevant, Reader



Flowers are given by Suzanne Bailey in honor of John Burkett and the Chancel Choir.

Please help save us postage costs by picking up your Giving Statements in the Gathering area. Thank you SO much!

The May Mission of the Month is UMCOR. All dollar bills dropped into the collection plates, or checks with "UMCOR" in the memo line, will benefit this mission. Scan the QR code to give online and select the Mission of the Month.



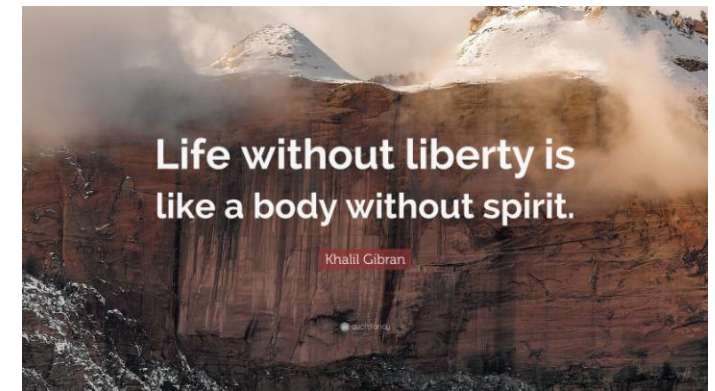
Use the QR code above to link to the full story of Zalmay Niazy, an Afghan man who served as a translator for the United States military, and his remarkable story of liberation.



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Children's Sunday School will be held in the Family Ministry Center today after the Children's Moment. The Friendship Class meets in the Friendship Classroom after worship. Everyone is invited.

Upcoming Activities

- May 7 – Men’s Breakfast Group at 8:00am
- May 8 – Little Ark Chapel at 11am
- May 8– Country Home Estates worship at 2pm
- May 8 – Choir rehearsal at 7pm
- May 10 –Muffins with Mom at Little Arc

Prayer List

- Mariann Andrews
- Family of Joe Peña
- Family of Rob White
- Vance Underhill
- Dan Perkins
- Betty Martin
- Clarence Jensen
- Anna Blohm
- Wyman Williams
- Rose Stapleton
- Mike King
- Richard Young
- Carlos Rickman
- Jack McDaniel
- Mike Smith
- Jack Kelly, Jill Grove’s father
- Sam Elwell
- Glenda Helton
- Priscilla McFarland
- Jack Gray
- Richard Stapleton, Al Stapleton’s brother
- Rev. Dennis Wilkinson
- Bill Heitholt
- Manuel Harrison
- Georgia Gholston
- Melanie & Judy Cortea
- Mabel & Carl Little
- Brenda Mosley Longhoffer
- Robert Seay



Volunteers are very much needed to help in the nursery and in Children’s Sunday School. Please see Ashlyn if you are able to assist in either of these ministries.

6th Sunday of Easter

First United Methodist Church



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| Children’s Music Director | Meagan Jones |
| Little Ark Director | Jennifer Knight |
| Choir Director | Gene Lockhart |
| Organist | Dr. John Burkett |
| Custodians | Sandra & Fernanda Medrano |



May 5, 2024
 10:00am Sanctuary