

would the real  
**JESUS**  
please stand up?

**I AM the  
Resurrection  
and the  
Life**

# Worship Order

\*Please stand as you are able

**Prelude**

**Dr. Young Llerena**

**Welcome & \*Greeting Time**

**Rev. Steve Brooks**

**Jesus Creed & Time of Meditation**

(From Matthew 22:37)

Love the Lord your God  
with all your heart,  
with all your soul,  
with all your mind,  
and with all your strength...  
AND Love your neighbor as yourself.

**Choral Call to Worship**

*Christ Is Risen!*

**Chancel Choir**

arr. Jan Sanborn

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*Christ the Lord is Risen Today!*

Hymnal 469

Christ the Lord is risen today. Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high. Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply! Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King. Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Dying once, He all doth save. Alleluia!  
Where Thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done. Alleluia!  
Fought the fight, the battle won. Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids him rise. Alleluia!  
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led. Alleluia!  
Following our exalted Head. Alleluia!  
Made like Him, like Him we rise. Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

**Rev. Melissa Shuler**

*The Apostles' Creed*

Hymnal 881

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\*Gloria Patri**

Hymnal 70

**Sacrament of Christian Baptism**

Callen Davidson, son of Whitney and Adam Davidson, sister Cobie.



# Stump the Pastor

Children ages birth through sixth grade are invited to join Pastor Steve Brooks at the front for the children's message.

## Registration of Attendance/Announcements

### Prayer/Lord's Prayer

### Offering/Offertory

*Lamb of Glory*

### Chancel Choir

arr. Jay Rouse

### \*Doxology

Hymnal 95

### Scripture Reading

John 11:1-26

### Message

Series: Would the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?

Message: I Am the Resurrection and the Life

### Choral Response

*Mercy Tree*

### Chancel Choir

Hymnal 364

### \*Closing Hymn

*Because He Lives*

### \*Mantra, Benediction, and Charge

Remember, the secret is simply this...

Christ in me, Yes Christ in me

Bringing with Him the hope

Of all the glorious things to come,

And may we be covered

In the dust of our Rabbi.

Sola Sancta Caritas

(Only Holy Love)

### Postlude

## Welcome!

We are honored you chose to worship with us today. Our prayer is that God will lead you to belong to our church as a member. The best way to learn more about membership is to reach out to Pastor Steve. You can call or text Pastor Steve at 432-559-0208 for more information about our church. He would love the opportunity to talk with you.

## Christian Sympathy

Barbara Garlington on the death of her mother, Bonnie Skinner.

## Assisting in Worship

Worship Arts Director \$ Beth Garza

Organ/Piano \$ Dr. Young Llerena

Acolytes \$ Patrick Guerrero and Richard Black

Sound Technicians \$ Duane Johnson and Billy Priebe

Media \$ Jim Collett and Levi Brooks

Strings \$ Kesha Hailey, Corey Metcalf, Beau Garza, David Thomas

Percussion \$ Ty Lust

# *Would the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?*

A Sermon series on Jesus' seven I AM statements  
in the Gospel of John

I Am the Resurrection and the Life  
John 11:1-26

**Conundrum, Paradox, Counterintuitive**

(John 11:4-6, 14-15)

**Getting stuck in the Past**

(John 11:21, 32, 39)

**Getting stuck in the Future**

(John 11:24)

**Resurrection Now...I AM the Resurrection and the Life**

(John 11:25-26)

**Dying and Rising and the Fullness of God**

(John 12:23-26)



*Fear*



*Possessive*



*Manipulative*



*Indulging/  
Addiction*



*Promoting*



*Controlling*

*Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul?"*

**Matthew 16:24-26**

*I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*

**Galatians 2:20**

**"Without a death, there can be no Resurrection"**



## Wednesday Night Live



Join us Wednesday, April 4, for faith, fellowship, family, and fun.

5:15 p.m. - Vespers (Chapel)

5:30 p.m. - Dinner (Atrium)

6:15 p.m. - **Children:** Bible Study, Music and More (Rm. 229 & 210)

6:30 p.m. - **Youth ReBound:** tutoring, games, Bible Study with devotional

(Basement)

**Adults:** In-depth Bible study on the book of Matthew led by Pastors Kurt and Steve (Worship Center)

7:15 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal and Modern Worship Rehearsal

\***Menu:** Three meat fajita bar (chicken, beef, and shrimp) with all the trimmings.

Prices: \$8 Adults, \$7 Seniors 65+, \$5 Children, \$21 Family Max.



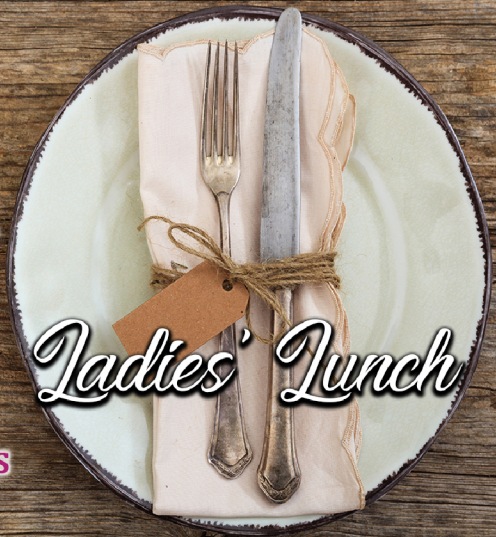
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STEVE MOORE • ROB HOWARD • DAVID GUTHRIE

Sunday, April 8  
10:45 a.m.  
Combined Service  
Sanctuary

Monday,  
April 9  
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Atrium  
\$5 Lunch

**Menu:** Chicken Marsala  
and garlic mashed potatoes



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**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup>-28<sup>TH</sup>**  
**5:30 PM - 8:00 PM**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018**

**SHIPWRECKED**  
*RESCUED BY JESUS*

**REGISTRATION BEGINS ON APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup>**  
**4 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade (as of 9/1/17)**  
For more information, contact Mara Dolan at  
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## This Week at First Methodist Midland

### Easter Sunday, April 1

8:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
10:45 a.m.	Traditional Worship Modern Worship

### Monday, April 2

Church Building Closed

### Tuesday, April 3

7:00 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
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### Wednesday, April 4

5:15 p.m.	Vespers
5:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Live

### Friday, April 6

5:00 p.m.	Children's Musical Rehearsal
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### Saturday, April 7

9:00 a.m.	Children's Musical Dress Rehearsal
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### Sunday, April 8

8:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship (Chapel)
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
10:45 a.m.	Combined Worship
4:00 p.m.	Promiseland Band Rehearsal
5:00 p.m.	Promiseland Band 2 Rehearsal Celebration Singers Rehearsal
6:00 p.m.	Youth Gathering

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