

**Responsive Hymn**

**“Open My Eyes, That I May See” UMH 454**

**Offertory**

**Doxology**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Benediction**

**Closing Hymn: “Because He Lives (Amen)”**

**Postlude**



## ***United Methodist Church***

*340 N Newell Ave, Minden, Nebraska*

**Order of Worship for April 19, 2026**

**3rd Sunday of Easter**

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### **Prelude**

### **Welcome of Guests—Greeting—Sharing of Announcements**

1. Wednesday, April 22, 6:30pm Youth Group.
2. Mother's Day Roses will be sold for \$6 each before and after worship on April 26 & May 3.
3. The carts are in the lobby for food pantry collection.
4. Check Bulletin board by office for information.
5. If you'd like to volunteer as a helper during worship service please sign up on the sheet located at the back of the sanctuary.

### **Invocation**

**April 19-25, 2026**

**Sunday**

10:00am Worship

**Monday**

7:00pm Girl Scouts

Happy Birthday Jeanette Wilkinson

**Tuesday**

**Wednesday**

6:30pm Youth Group

**Thursday**

**Friday**

**Saturday**

Happy Birthday Joyce Bender

Happy Birthday Riley Ratka

### **\*Call to Worship**

One: Come walk with us.

**Many: We will join the journey.**

One: Let us talk together.

**Many: We will listen and speak.**

One: Christ goes with us.

**Many: Jesus guides our steps.**

### **Passing the Peace of Christ**

### **Young Disciple's Lesson**

"Jesus Loves Me"

### **Prayer Hymn: "Open the Eyes of My Heart"**

### **Joys and Concerns**

### **Silent Prayer of Confession**

### **Pastoral Prayer—Lord's Prayer**

### **Preparatory Hymn: "In Christ Alone"**

### **Scripture Proclamation read by Marilyn Rasmussen Luke 24:13-35**

On that same day, two disciples were traveling to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking to each other about everything that had happened. While they were discussing these things, Jesus himself arrived and joined them on their journey. They were prevented from recognizing him. He said to them, "What are you talking about as you walk along?" They stopped, their faces downcast. The one named Cleopas replied, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who is unaware of the things that have taken place there over the last few days?" He said to them, "What things?" They said to him, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth. Because of his powerful deeds and words, he was recognized by God and all the people as a prophet. But our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him. We had hoped he was the one who would redeem Israel. All these things happened three days ago. But there's more: Some women from our group have left us stunned.

They went to the tomb early this morning and didn't find his body. They came to us saying that they had even seen a vision of angels who told them he is alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women said. They didn't see him." Then Jesus said to them, "You foolish people! Your dull minds keep you from believing all that the prophets talked about. Wasn't it necessary for the Christ to suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then he interpreted for them the things written about himself in all the scriptures, starting with Moses and going through all the Prophets. When they came to Emmaus, he acted as if he was going on ahead. But they urged him, saying, "Stay with us. It's nearly evening, and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. After he took his seat at the table with them, he took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he disappeared from their sight. They said to each other, "Weren't our hearts on fire when he spoke to us along the road and when he explained the scriptures for us?" They got up right then and returned to Jerusalem. They found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying to each other, "The Lord really has risen! He appeared to Simon!" Then the two disciples described what had happened along the road and how Jesus was made known to them as he broke the bread.

The Word of God, for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**"Broken Bread, Opened Eyes"**  
**by Pastor Kayla Mangrich**