

Redland Community United Methodist Church
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Sunday, April 27, 2025

OUR VISION STATEMENT:

*We will be Christ's presence in our community,
building relationships*

OUR BIBLICAL PURPOSE:

*"To be a faithful community of devoted servants who will share Christ's love and
example."*

MUSIC: Felicia Fina;
LAY LEADER: Phil Formel.
GREETERS: Charles Alderson, Santiago Garcia
LITURGISTS: Jan Burlison, Yanira Bonilla
USHERS: Charles Alderson, Jim Rumohr
ACOLYTES: Jim Rumohr

Bishop: Rev. Tom Berlin
District Superintendent: Rev. Dr. Simon Osunlana
Pastor: Nelson Bonilla

For emergency pastoral care or needs please contact: *if you would like prayer, a visit, to receive
the Sacraments of Holy Communion or baptism, information on joining the church or other needs.*

Pastor Nelson Bonilla – Phone: 386-631-6193 email: nelson.bonilla@flumc.org

Regular Office Hours – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am-1pm or by appointment or the following
members: **Santiago Garcia, Administrative Council Chair, 305-608-1184**

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday: 9:00 am -Worship Service
Fellowship Coffee after service
Tuesday: 10:00 am -Prayer and Share in the multi-purpose room.
Friday: 11:00 am - Bible Study
5:00pm- Fellowship Dinner: First Sunday of every month



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Second Sunday of Easter
Liturgist: Jan Burlison

WELCOME GUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES)

PRELUDE Felicia Fina, Pianist
(acolyte brings light into the gathering place)

OPENING PRAYER:
Creator God, you call us to take on the holiness you have planted within us. In our worship this day, open our eyes and hearts to your movement that longs to make a home in us. So be it. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: Breathe the breath of new life in your spirits!
P: We open our hearts to all the wondrous work God has for us to do.
L: Welcome to worship this glorious day!
P: Let our lives be testimony to God’s redeeming love!
L: How blessed are the ones who, never having seen, yet have come to believe.
P: Open our hearts, Lord, this day to absolute faith in you, that, although we have not seen the risen Christ, we may believe fully in him. AMEN.

* HYMN OF PRAISE: “In the Garden” #314 (UMH)

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: A Statement of the United Church of Canada #883(UMH)

GREETING ONE ANOTHER : #557(UMH)
As the body of Christ in the world, let us share his love and peace with one another.

JOYS AND CONCERNS: *(We lift up concerns & thanksgivings)*

PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER *The Lord’s Prayer*

* HYMN OF PREPARATION “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus” (2X) #348(UMH)

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING JOHN 20:19-31

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Pastor Nelson.

HYMN OF INVITATION “’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” #462(UMH)

OFFERTORY PIANIST
Special Music (Offering plate in center aisle)

* OFFERTORY PRAISE: (Doxology) #95 (UMH)

* HYMN OF SENDING “God Be With You, Till We Meet Again” #672 (UMH)
(First Verse)

* BENEDICTION

Sung Response: Amen, Amen, Amen #898(UMH)

**Please stand as you are able.*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:**

A Statement of the United Church of Canada #883 (UMH)

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God.

We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Jesus Appears to the Disciples

19 when it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." 22 when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Jesus and Thomas

24 But Thomas (who was called the twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." 26 A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." 27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." 28 Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" 29 Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

The purpose of this book

30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. 31 But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

“The LORD’S loving kindnesses indeed never cease, For His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.” Lamentations 3:22-23

JOYS: Gus’s sister Theresa is at home after almost a year in the hospital.

CONCERNS: Prayers for our country. Prayers for our denomination, local churches, pastors, and leaders. Prayers for the people of Cuba. Prayers for the people of Gaza. For all missionaries around the world. For People struggling with mental health. All victims and their families of tragic violent shootings. Immigrants seeking asylum. All victims of terrorism and natural disasters. Those in Hospice Care, and those suffering from cancer. Prayers for single moms. All who are grieving the loss of a loved one. For World leaders to make good decisions that lead to peace. Ed & Karen's son Brian. Pray for people experiencing homelessness.

Healing prayers for: Chris Field. Santiago Garcia. Harriet Morris. Phil’s brothers Mike, Steve and Shaun. Diana Taylor. Continue prayers for Lily, she’s at the hospital with a brain infection. Valentina, needing a bone marrow transplant, and Michelle her mom diagnosed with cancer. Felicia’s sister. May’s brother David. Lucy’s brother-in-Law Mike. Jina May. Jim’s brother, sister and brother-in-law (Terry Rumohr, Sharon, Mike). Dottie. Jan’s mom. Sandi Settle continued healing.

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