



**We demonstrate the love of Jesus by welcoming our neighbors,**



God promised to show Abram the place...of Promise. The place where God's promises become human reality. The Israelites suffered 420 years under Egypt's Pharaoh. Moses delivered them to Mt. Sinai to worship in God's presence. They chose the way of their kindred's fear, violence, and curse. God reaffirms the promise with the Israelites suffering in Babylonian captivity. Wisdom hears the distinction between the Prophet God sends and the False Prophet. The Wise hear God's promise. By faith the wise trust that only God has the power and authority to fulfill the promise. The false prophet stirs up fear, raises Cain, and curses those who do not conform to their ways. So it is this very day.

Jesus suffered from people consumed Adam's fear and Cain's violence. Jesus died at the hands of religious leaders and government officials. He rose again fulfilling God's promise. On the evening of the first day, Jesus sent His disciples the same way God sent Abraham, Moses, David, and Jeremiah. They were all sent with the power and authority of the Holy Spirit. They were all sent to the place where God's promise becomes human reality.

Jesus said to His disciples, "Peace be with you, as the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." In these words, human will meet God's will. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Here I am, Lord. Send me.

**APRIL 5, 2026**

**EASTER SUNDAY**

# Worship at 10:00 a.m.

**Please turn down the volume of your cell phone and other electronic devices.**

Welcome

Written by Robert (03/16/26)

Liturgist

Good morning.

Like Mary Magdalene, we want to know what happens with Jesus. **He is risen.** Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. Two angels asked, "Woman, why are you crying?" **They have taken the Lord away and I don't know where they have put him.** Then the Lord Himself appeared. **Jesus said to her, "Mary."**

Remember, God placed Cherubim and a flashing sword to guard our way to the Tree of Life. Two Angels clothed in white. **Could these be the Cherubim?** Throughout Scripture, the sword is the Word of God. **Could Jesus be the flashing sword? Does he know each of us by name?**

Come, let us ask Him, seek Him, and find the Tree of Life. **Yes, we will ask with all of our heart and mind. Until at last we discover Him in our souls.**

Prelude

Prayer of Confession

Written by Robert (03/30/26)

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Lord, we confess that we are tempted by our kindred's ways.

**Adam's fear tempts us to raise Cain. Noah's curse tempts us. So often we only bless those who bless us. We curse those who curse us.**

We sit on Moses' Judgment seat to curse our enemies.

**Jesus teaches us to love our enemies.**

The New Covenant teaches how to pray for those who persecute us.

**"Father, forgive them they do not know what they are doing."**

Lord, we confess.

**Jesus suffered our kindreds' ways.**

**Jesus died at the hands of religious leaders and government authorities.**

**Jesus rose to life...eternal.**

Jesus sends us to the place where...

**His promises become humanity reality.**

**Here I am, Lord. Send me to be the blessed peacemaker.**

**Amen**

\*Opening Hymn 302

*Christ the Lord is Risen Today* (vs 1-4)

EASTER HYMN

\*Affirmation of Faith 887

"AFFIRMATION FROM ROMANS 8:35, 37-39"

Responsive Reading  
with Liturgist

\*Gloria Patri 70

*Glory Be to the Father*

MEINEKE

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 29:10-14

Liturgist

Anthem

*Resurrection Praise*

Lloyd Larson

Call to Prayer 174

*His Name is Wonderful*

HIS NAME IS WONDERFUL

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

*Hymn 304	<i>Easter People, Raise Your Voices</i>	REGENT SQUARE
Offertory Anthem	<i>Our Hearts Rejoice This Day</i>	Jack Schrader
*Doxology 94	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	LASST UNS ERFREUEN
*Gospel Lesson	John 20:19-23	Liturgist
The Message	"Here I Am , Lord"	Rev. Robert Burlingham
*Hymn 312	<i>Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise</i>	LLANFAIR
Announcements		
Benediction		
Postlude	(Let there be silence during the postlude as we rest in Jesus's promise to be with you now and always...even unto the end of this age of Grace.)	

**\*Please stand as you are able.**

**Brass:**

Ben Bradford	Trumpet
Jayden Cushing	Trumpet
Wes Bradford	French Horn
Tim Bradford	Trombone
Ron Johnson	Trombone

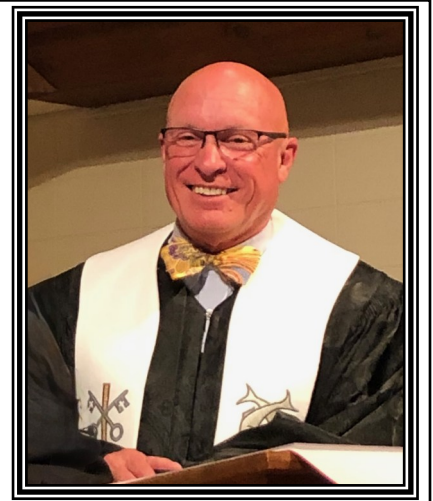
We welcome you to Brainerd United Methodist Church. If you are interested in learning more about the church or in joining, please visit us at [www.brainerdumc.org](http://www.brainerdumc.org).

**Robert's Schedule**

The interim position is part time: 20-25 hours per week. You will see from the following schedule that part-time ministry is like full-time ministry. It is like working a salaried job.

Sunday: 9:15 - 12:30  
Monday: Office Hours 10am - 4pm  
Tuesday: Office Hours 10am - 4pm  
Thursday: 10am - 4pm, appointments and Bible Study

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## Women's Prayer Group

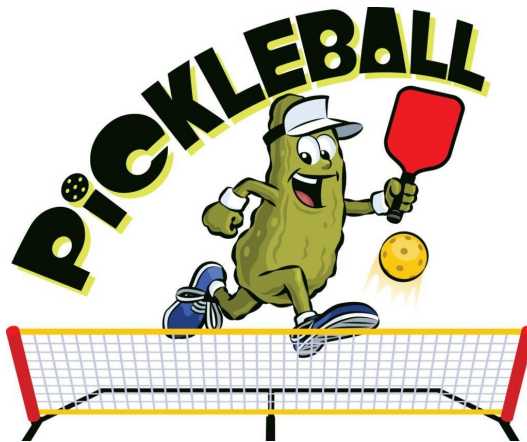
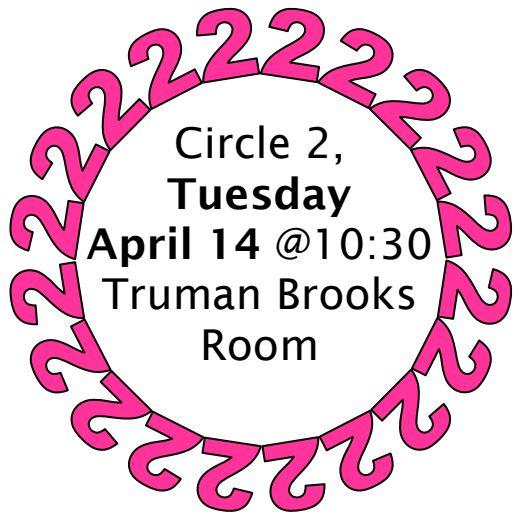
Our new Women's Prayer Group will meet the first Tuesday of every month at 11:30. Bring your brown bag lunch and a drink. We will eat, fellowship, share, laugh and pray. Our first meeting is **Tuesday, April 7**. This time together is open to all females who are interested.



**CRAFTING**  
*is my therapy*

**The Crafters Group** will meet on **Monday, April 13, 10:00 - 2:30** in the Library.

All are welcome. All sorts of craft projects are welcome. This is mainly a time of fellowship with some crafting taking place at the same time.



Pickleball is still going strong on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 2:00 in our BUMC gymnasium. **JOIN US!**

## Men's Luncheon

The men's luncheon continues on the second Tuesday of each month. Please plan to attend on April 14, at 11:45. We will meet at Los Potros Mexican Restaurant at 5611 Ringgold Road. This luncheon is open to all the men of our Church. Please join in on the fun and fellowship!



*John Crawford*



# B U M C W E E K L Y E V E N T S

## **Sunday, April 5**

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Fellowship, **Atrium**
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship, **Sanctuary and Online**
- 11:00 a.m. Sunday School, **Classrooms**
- 1:30 p.m. Workshop and Garden Swap, **Gym**
- 6:00 p.m. Basketball, **Gym**

## **Monday, April 6**

- ~~10:30 a.m. Kellie's Bible Study, **Wesley Conference Room**~~
- 2:00 p.m. Pickleball for All, **Gym**
- 5:00 p.m. Optimal VBC, **Gym**

## **Tuesday, April 7**

- 9:00 a.m. Pack Food Pantry Boxes, **Fellowship Hall**
- 10:00 a.m. Scenic City Chorale, **Choir Suite**
- 11:30 a.m. Women's Prayer Group Meeting, **Truman Brooks Room**
- 5:00 p.m. CAHA, **Library**
- 5:30 p.m. DWWCHO, **Truman Brooks Room**
- 7:00 p.m. C4 VBC Practice, **Gym**

## **Wednesday, April 8**

- 2:00 p.m. Pickleball for All, **Gym**
- 4:30 p.m. Distribute Food Pantry Boxes, **Fellowship Hall**
- 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, **Choir Suite**
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Volleyball, **Gym**

## **Thursday, April 9**

- 12:00 p.m. Bible Study, **Wesley Conference Room**
- 2:00 p.m. Pickleball for All, **Gym**
- 5:00 p.m. C4 VBC Practice, **Gym**
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Volleyball, **Gym**

## **Friday, April 10**

- 12:30 p.m. Organ Practice, **Sanctuary**

## **Saturday, April 11**

- 9:00 a.m. KBTOC Birdie Team, **Gym**
- 11:00 a.m. Snehu Birdie Team, **Gym**
- 6:00 p.m. Chatta Events Birthday Party, **Fellowship Hall**

**Sunday, April 12 Regularly Scheduled Events**