

**WESTBY UMC**  
**April 5, 2026 ~ Easter Sunday**

\* *Please stand in body or spirit*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* GATHERING SONGS

*Christ the Lord is Risen Today* #302 UMH (verses 1-4)  
*Celebrate Jesus!*

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Easter people, Christ is risen! God is doing a new thing!

**P: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!**

L: Life has conquered death! Love has overcome fear!

**P: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!**

L: God has transformed a dead end into a new start!

**P: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!**

L: Easter people, raise your voices! Christ is risen!

**P: Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!**

\* **OPENING PRAYER**

**Risen Lord, We come this morning like those women at the tomb — not fully knowing what we would find. But the stone is rolled away. The grave is empty. You are alive. Open our eyes to see it. Open our hearts to believe it. And meet us here, in this place, as the risen, living Lord.**

**God, give us courage to dream Your dreams for our church. Please open our minds and hearts and ears, so we can hear Your voice to know what Your purpose is for our church. We pray in Christ's name, Amen.**

JOYS AND CONCERNS

COMMUNITY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:1-12

SPECIAL MUSIC

*Easter Song*

CHILDREN'S TIME

MESSAGE

*"Jesus is Risen!"*

\* COMMUNION HYMN

*Lamb of God*

#2113 TFWS

THE LORD'S TABLE

\* DOXOLOGY

OFFERING OUR GIFTS, LIVES AND SERVICE

*\*\* Please place your offering in the offering plate on the table in the narthex by the sanctuary entrance. \*\**

\* OFFERING PRAYER

\* CLOSING HYMN

*Up From the Grave*

#322 UMH

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

Music: Jane Gaskell  
Pastor: Paul Lee

## WELCOME TO ALL WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!

### Coming Events:

April 5 10:00 AM – Fellowship

April 8 6:00 PM – Church Board Meeting

April 13 4:30-7:00 PM – Bethel Volunteer Appreciation Dinner –

We need a few people to make salads and 3-6 to help with serving and clean up. Sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

\* Please pray the Visioning Prayer at 3:20 PM each day so we can be united in asking God what He wants our church to do for serving Him and others.

### PRAYERS

*Our country, those traveling, Selah (Tim & Jane's granddaughter), Sunday School students & families, God's Vision for our church, Pastor Paul, Norseland residents, our church family, unnamed concerns, our church in ministry*

### Mission of the Month – Westby School Lunch Program

This month we are collecting donations to help cover the costs of lunches for students who cannot afford to pay and do not qualify for free and reduced lunches. Please make your donations by Sunday, April 12 and indicate "School Lunches" on the memo line of checks.

### Personal Hygiene Items for Bethel Butikk

Please continue to donate personal hygiene items for Bethel Butikk. The items needed are toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner, hand soap, hand lotion, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, brushes & combs. They also need packages of feminine hygiene products.

### Senior Strength Training

This class is open to everyone of all ages and meets on Tuesday and Thursday, 12:30-1:15 PM.

### Westby Senior Meal Site

Meals will be served Monday-Thursday, at 11:30 AM. Please call 608-637-5201 by 8:00 AM to reserve and order a meal for that day.

### Prayer Request Box

Please write your prayer request on the note card and put it in the box. Our Thursday Morning Prayer Group will then pray for these requests when they meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month.



## WESTBY United Methodist Church April 5, 2026



9:00 AM Worship  
10:00 AM Fellowship & Sunday School after  
Worship

Westby United Methodist Church  
202 East State St., Westby, WI 54667

*Our calling is to reach all people with the  
life-changing power of God's Love and  
Grace available to all through Jesus  
Christ, our Lord.*