



Faith. Family. Fellowship. Music.
Congers United Methodist Church

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Bishop Alfred Johnson, Pastor



*Stand in Body or spirit if possible

Sunday Worship

April 19, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Third Sunday of the Easter Season

Bold responses read in unison

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE

Judy Gorman

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: On the shores of our ordinary lives, when the night has yielded nothing and our nets feel empty,

People: Christ appears again.

Leader: We come, hoping to hear His voice, to cast our nets in trust, to discover abundance where we saw only lack.

People: Christ appears again.

Leader: We bring our stories, our failures, our hopes, trusting that Christ transforms all we offer.

People: Christ appears again.

Leader: We gather to worship the Risen Christ, who meets us on familiar shores, fills our empty nets, restores our weary hearts, and sends us out in grace.

All: Christ appears again. Christ is Risen Indeed! Amen!

***OPENING HYMN**

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

UMH # 400

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Risen Christ, You ask us, "Do you love Me?"

and we confess that our love is often hesitant,
our obedience incomplete, our courage fragile.

You call us to cast our nets in faith, but we cling to what feels safe.

You invite us to Your table of grace, but we bring You our excuses.

You restore us with mercy, yet we rehearse our failures more
than Your forgiveness. Forgive us. Feed us with Your grace.

Restore us with Your love. And send us out to feed Your sheep— with compassion, justice,
and joy. In the name of Jesus Christ, forgive us and send us. Amen.

SILENT MEDITATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER REPOSE

Jackie DeSouza

ASSURANCE OF GRACE, FORGIVENESS AND HEALING *Offer each other the gift of forgiveness: "In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven."

WELCOMING FIRST OR SECOND TIME WORSHIPPERS AND SPECIAL GUESTS

PROCLAMATION

***SONG OF PREPARATION**

“He Lives”

UMH#310, vs. 1,2

***SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

Old Testament: Ezekiel 47:1,2; 6-10
Gospel: John 21:1-19

Roger Edwards

MESSAGE

“He Lives, Even When We’ve Gone Fishing”

Bishop J

RESPONSE

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

PRAYERS OF COMPASSION/ PASTORAL PRAYER

You are invited to lift names for prayers of celebration or concern;
respond with “Thanks be to God/ Lord, in your mercy hear our prayers”

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

Congers UMC now has online giving with Givelify:
go to <https://www.givelify.com> designate Congers UMC.
Or, use our QR code by pointing the camera on your cell phone to this image:



SENDING

***SENDING SONG**

“ Send Us Lord ”

UMH # 497

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSINGS

Bishop J

***DISMISSAL WITH TABLE BLESSINGS**

POSTLUDE

Acolytes carry the Light into the world!

Thank you Today's Worship Team:

Worship Leader: Carole Anderson

Music: Judy Gorman

Scripture Reader: Roger Edwards

Facebook Live Manager: Roberto Villasenor



Luke Jaeger (4/17)

Patricia Williams (4/25)

Welcome to Congers UMC. We are happy to have you with us. Join us for a time of food and fellowship after worship service in the fellowship hall.

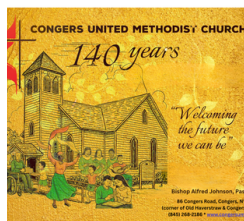
If this is your first or second time with us, please fill in your name, email address, and/or cell number in the **"CongersUMC Connect Card"** in the back of the pew in front of you. Kindly place it in the offering plates or give it to any member. You may also access this form digitally with our "Connect" QR code. We hope to see you again.



*Please be aware that we use **Facebook Live for our worship services.** If you are uncomfortable being screened or having pictures taken of yourself or family members, please let our Communications Team (Cheery Villaseñor or Bishop J know).

Today

We worship the **3rd Sunday of the Easter Season**, celebrating the Day of Resurrection. This season is a 50-day celebration from Easter Sunday to Pentecost, Sunday May 24, 2026, focusing on Christ's resurrection, the gift of the Holy Spirit, and the renewal of Christian life. Bishop J will preach a sermon series entitled: *"He Lives..."*



You are invited to bring a special Easter offering celebrating our 140th Anniversary, if able, \$140.00.

If not this Sunday, anytime this year.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE

COMPASSION PRAYERS

- Please keep in heart and prayer church members, families, and friends who stand in the need of prayer. You can find the complete list on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. (If there are additions, removals, or amendments to this list, please let Pat Williams know.)
- We pray for God's Peace and Justice throughout our country and throughout this world; such as the ongoing wars between Israel and Palestine, Ukraine and Russia, Israel and Iran, The Congo, Somalia and other parts of Africa, and other parts of our world. Global issues, such as, immigration, atomic energy, women and children abuse, active shootings, climate change, attacks on democracy, disarmament, food insecurity, the unsheltered, etc.



SERVICE

- If you didn't bring your non-perishable food item to be donated to **PEOPLE TO PEOPLE**, this Sunday, and you would like to donate, bring it next week or see Francis Reid, coordinator, for more information.



UPCOMING EVENTS



- **Community Bridge Day** – Sunday, May 3rd, after Worship Services. Join us as we go out into the community to share our faith, family and fellowship with our neighbors.

Gospel Jazz Salute to
JOHN ANTHONY
 PRESENTED BY THE JOHN ANTHONY CELEBRATION FOUNDATION

FEATURING
 INTERNATIONAL CONCERT
 RECORDING ARTIST
KAY BOYD
 AND FRIENDS

GUEST MUSICIANS
 Dinah Vero (Piano) - Clyde Bullard (Bass)
 Dean Saghafi (Sax) - Greg Barrett (Drums)

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2026

DOORS OPEN 3:30PM
 CONCERT BEGINS 4:00PM SHARP
 ADMISSION: \$50 ADULTS \$25 YOUNG ADULTS

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