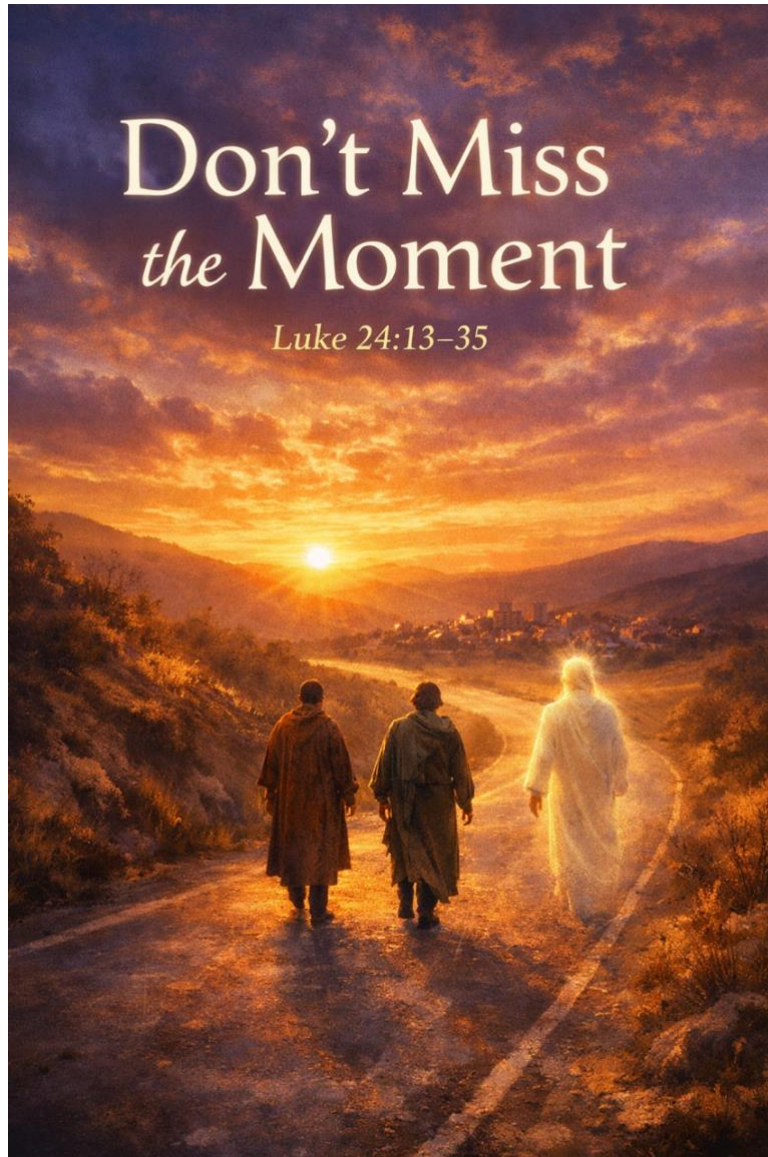




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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**

April 19, 2026

9:30am

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(Please sign the attendance registry found in the pews near the center aisle; pass it through the pew and back again, noting the name of your neighbors.)

**PRELUDE**

*"The Heart of Worship"*

M. Redman

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: We gather as people on a journey

**PEOPLE: *Walking through questions, carrying hopes and disappointments.***

LEADER: Sometimes we walk with heavy hearts,

**PEOPLE: *Wondering where God is in the midst of it all.***

LEADER: But even now, Christ draws near.

**PEOPLE: *Walking beside us, speaking peace, revealing truth.***

LEADER: Open your eyes!

**PEOPLE: *Open your hearts!***

LEADER: Do not miss this holy moment!

**ALL: *For God is here, and we are not alone. Amen.***

**\*HYMN**

*"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"*

UMH 521

**\*UNISON PRAYER**

***Gracious and ever-present God,***

***We enter this space carrying the weight of our lives: our questions, our weariness, our unmet expectations. And yet, we believe You are here walking with us, speaking to us, drawing near to us.***

***Open our eyes so that we might recognize You. Open our hearts so that we might receive You. Open our spirits that we might not miss this moment of grace. Meet us in the ordinary and reveal the extraordinary. Speak through Your Word, move through this worship, and set our hearts on fire with Your presence.***

***We are here, Lord. Have Your way. In Jesus' name, Amen***

## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Kings 19:11-13

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake, and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 24:13-15; 28-35

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

***Thanks be to God!***

ANTHEM

*"He Is Not Here"*

Cindy Berry

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastoral Prayer

Offering Prayer

(Place your offering in the treasure chest in the narthex, mail in your giving,  
or go to the GIVE tab on the website:rockportumc.org)

## Lord's Prayer

**HYMN**

*"Open My Eyes, That I May See"*

UMH 454

SERMON

"Don't Miss the Moment"

Pastor Tennille Power

**\*HYMN**

*"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"*

FWS 2153

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*“A Joyous Acclamation”*

L. Smith

\*Please stand if you are able

## **SERVING THE LORD AT ROCKPORT**

Pastor

Tennille Power

Lay Leader

Dan Newman

Music Director/Organist

Susan Shick

Church Office Administrator/Bookkeeper

Sara Chapman

Sound/Video

Scott Holchin

Lector

Tim Gleason

Ushers

Keith Kopko

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK:** Join us after worship in the parlor for fellowship and coffee hour

### **Tuesday, April 21, 2026**

6-7:20pm – Choir practice

7-9:00pm – Prayer Shawl Ministry

### **Friday, April 24, 2026**

9:45am – Al-Anon

### **Saturday, April 25, 2026**

10:00am – A.A

### **Sunday, April 26, 2026**

8:30-9:00am – Early Morning Service; Communion

9:30am – Worship & Live Streamed

2-3:30pm – A.A. Book Club

