

*Four Towns United Methodist Church
Worship Service - 10:00 a.m.*

... We Gather in God's Presence ...

April 12th, 2026

First Sunday after Easter

Welcome

Pastor George Marck

**Hymn* "Change My Heart, O God" FWS #2167

**Call to Worship* Who We Are Litany

One: Daniel refused to give into temptation. He was resistant and courageous.

ALL: God give us the courage to resist all the peer pressures constantly around us.

One: Hebrews reminds us God disciplines ones he loves.

ALL: Many good things result when God chastens us. God can use us to bring his message of hope and love to many others.

One: God calls us to be agents of change for the world, to bring the kingdom of God here on earth.

ALL: Help us to believe that we are the right people at the right time to answer your call to be your agents of change in our world.

One: God, you are always calling us to your newness, and you give the courage to live never being the same.

ALL: Take every hardened edge of our hearts and create something new in us where we are never the same.

One: We need your newness, God, to make our rough parts, smooth; our stagnant parts, stirred.

ALL: Our stuck parts, freed; our unkind ones, forgiven. By Your Spirit's power, turn us towards Love again.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" FWS #2129

Scripture Lessons

Daniel 1: 1-12, Hebrews 12: 6 Liturgist

Message "Don't Give In - Be Resistant!"

The Creed "I Believe" Rev. Caleb Williams

Invitation to Offering Pastor

**Doxology* UMH #95

**Dedication of Offering* Pastor

**Closing Hymn* "Take Time To Be Holy" UMH #395

Benediction

Postlude

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!

If you would like a pastoral visit or know of someone in the hospital or a nursing home who would appreciate a pastoral visit or if you would like to be put on the calling and email lists, please email Pastor George at: ac8550@wayne.edu

Upcoming Events:

Join us tomorrow for our Ad Council meeting at 7:00 p.m.

NOTE: Calendar & Online Giving are now available at:
www.fourtowns.org

Pastor's Note:

This week we are celebrating the First Sunday after Easter and beginning a new sermon series on the book of Daniel. I know I say it often that you have to know who you are and whose you are, but it is because those words can be life changing. Because until you really experience the full weight of these words you cannot become all you can be. And that includes how temptations can shape us. Hebrews reminds us that God chastens the ones he loves. Daniels is challenging us across the centuries not to give in but to be resistant! Life is full of intersections but because Daniel had purposed in his heart long before he gets to the intersection, he can be sure of what he needs to do. So, keep listening and paying attention to God. We don't have to compromise, we can resist because we have already purposed to eat healthy, to exercise, to listen to God. Come back next week as we continue with the story of the book of Daniel.

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