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### APRIL 27, 2025 | SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 9:30 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE

# ENCOUNTERS -EMMAUS ROAD DISCIPLESWITH JESUS

The road of life is filled with potholes and pitfalls, majestic views and mountain top experiences. Primarily, we live ordinary lives — we get up in the morning and go to work or school. We eat breakfast, lunch and dinner. We pay bills and go grocery shopping. Sometimes each day resembles the day before it with little distinction. But occasionally, we find the extraordinary among the ordinary and we never know when this is going to happen. Some moments of our lives take our breath away because of the beauty we discover. Maybe we find a hidden vista or waterfall on an ordinary hike, or maybe we see a sunrise or sunset. Maybe a friend calls us at just the right time or a meal is shared with loved ones. These ordinary moments become extraordinary in retrospect. We look back at our lives we find that we were in the presence of the Lord and we didn't even know it. Prayerfully, we find people who reveal the truth of God's presence to us and we rejoice. This week we walk with Jesus and two of his followers in an unexpected encounter on the road to Emmaus.

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Thank you for joining us this week as we worship together inperson and online. We are so glad that you are with us, and hope that you find the service engaging, encouraging, and inspirational.

If this is your first time with us, please take a moment to fill out the Connection Card and visit the welcome booth for a welcome bag.

If you have a prayer request to share with the church, you may write that on your Connection Card, or email us.

If you have any questions about BFUMC, our staff is available by phone or email anytime. We hope you are blessed by your time with us today and that you have a wonderful week.

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## 9:30 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE WORSHIP CENTER

#### **WELCOME AND PRAISE**

Glorious Day | Here is Our King

#### **PRAY AND GIVE**

Time of Prayer | Rev. Gomez

Ministry Moment | Krys Ellis and Sean Johnsen

Giving Back | Rev. Beth Dickinson

Hosanna

At this time, children and youth are dismissed for Sunday School.

#### THE WORD OF GOD

"Along the Road of Life: Jesus and Emmaus Road Disciples"
Rev. Dickinson
Luke 24:13-35 (NLT)
Always

#### **DEPART AND SERVE GOD**

Send Off | Tim Darden

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Email your requests to <u>info@bethlehemfirstumc.com</u>. They will be emailed out Wednesdays in the weekly PrayerNet and included in The Happenings, which is available by print and emailed out each Friday. You may also contact the church office by phone at 770-867-3727 (Monday—Thursday 9am-4pm & Friday 9am-1pm).