

**Third Sunday of Easter
Native American Awareness Sunday
April 18, 2010 10:00 a.m.**

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*Our mission is to change people's lives
through a relationship with Jesus Christ.*

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~WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE~

Greeting of Peace

Prelude

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Call To Worship

L: The songs of Easter joy are still on our lips and the desire to witness is fresh in our hearts.

P: *From this place of delight, we will be given new visions of the way forward.*

L: The Spirit of Christ calls us out of the familiar and sets us on daring adventures for the sake of love.

P: *We enter this time of worship with courage. May our hearts be opened to receive the Spirit's call.*

Hymn "Spirit Song" #347

Opening Prayer

The way forward, O Spirit of Christ, is with you. We meet you in that which is familiar as well as in surprising and unexpected ways. May we hear your voice, trust your call, and live with others in your way. Amen.

This Week at Blackstone Valley United Methodist Church

A Time for the Child in All of Us *Ingrid Murphy*

Offertory "Open Our Eyes, Lord" #2086

Doxology #95

Offertory Prayer

We bring our offerings to feed your lambs and tend your sheep, gracious God. May these gifts extend love in the form of food, pure water, shelter, and acceptance. Let them provide outreach to the world and opportunities for growth within this congregation. Help us focus on what is important, that we may work together to make a difference in the world. Amen.

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~WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD~

Anthem "Do You Really Love Me?" *Unknown*

Reading of the Word

New Testament *Acts 9: 1-20*
Gospel *John 21: 1-19*

Hymn "Father I Adore You" #2038

Message *Rev. Michele Ewers*

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~WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE~

A Time for Prayer *Mark Gentry*

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

