

SONORA FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 Worship

5th Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2026

PASTOR'S WELCOME

God is Good – **ALL THE TIME!**
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WELCOME TO ALL - Please be sure to sign the attendance register located in each pew.

If you are a visitor, please provide your mailing address so that we may send you a personal letter of welcome.

To reach Pastor Mark Brechin, please call (830) 931-1440.

CHURCH & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 119:9,11,18 & 30

How can young people keep their way pure? By guarding it according to your word.

I treasure your word in my heart, so that I may not sin against you.

Open my eyes, so that I may behold wondrous things out of your law.

I have chosen the way of faithfulness; I set your ordinances before me.

*OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. AMEN.

*HYMN OF JOY

“Wonderful Words of Life”

UMH 600

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH 882

OFFERING

USHERS and ACOLYTES

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

CENTERING SONG

“Something Beautiful”

UMH 394

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. AMEN.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Peter 2:2-10

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 14:1-14

WITNESS TO GOD'S WORD

Rev. Mark Brechin

“Way, Truth, Life”

*HYMN OF FAITH

“Sweet By and By”

Celebration 778

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We gather not because of what we have done but because of Jesus Christ. Acknowledging that we have all fallen short of the glory of God, let us renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness and repent of our sin.

We acknowledge that we are burdened by our own brokenness and the brokenness of the world. Forgive us of those times when we have allowed that brokenness to enter into our relationship with You and with our neighbors. Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you, in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. AMEN.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND GIVING OF THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

LORD, by your Spirit, make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. AMEN.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

You are encouraged to consider God's calling upon your life. Should you desire to answer that call through membership in this congregation, please come forward as we sing...

*HYMN OF INVITATION

“I’ll Fly Away”

Celebration 779

*BENEDICTION

Pastor Mark Brechin

*Stand, as able

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS – The Faith We Sing
Rev. Mark Brechin, Pastor

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS – May 4th - May 10th
(FUMC Events in Bold)**

MON. 5/4

MDS - Cinco de Mayo Celebration
UMW Meeting @ 5PM Celebration of Mothers
SHS Lady Bronco Golf @ Austin

TUES. 5/5

SHS Lady Bronco Golf @ Austin

WED. 5/6

MDS - Muffins for Moms
Bible Study @ 5PM

THURS. 5/7

SHS Tennis @ San Antonio

FRI. 5/8

SISD No School
SHS Tennis @ San Antonio

SAT. 5/9

SUN. 5/10

Sunday School 9:45AM
Worship Service @ 11AM


****Change in Schedule****
One Board
will be
Monday, May 11th
5:30PM

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LONG-TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

TJ Harris Randy Murphy
Randy Slater Darla McKissack
Kash Nelson Terry Tunning
Ken Nelson



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