

Matawan United Methodist Church

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The Fifth Sunday in Easter

May 3, 2026

Songs of Praise:

“We Believe - “How to Worship a King”

“You Surround Me”

10:00 Welcome

*** Call to Worship** (Projected)

*** Opening Hymn: “**

“Child of Blessing, Child of Promise” 611 - vv. 1 to 3

Opening Prayer - (Also Projected)

Risen Christ,
you prepare a place for us,
in the home of the Mother-and-Father of us all.
Draw us more deeply into yourself,
through scripture read,
water splashed,
bread broken,
wine poured,
so that when our hearts are troubled,
we will know you more completely
as the way, the truth, and the life. Amen.

Prayers from the Lectionary

Prayer of Confession

Sharing the Peace - “The Family of God”

Proclamation and Response

The New Testament: Acts 7:55-60

Praise Team: “More Precious than Silver”

Children’s Message: “I Am the Way”

***Glory Be to the Father**

***Gospel:** John 14:1-14

Sermon: “The Wayless Way”

*Baptism of
Elliot Kyle Pound
Son of Bayleigh Costner and Kyle Pound*

Pastoral Prayer

Praise Team: “Here I Am to Worship”

The Offering - Offertory Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

Sending Forth:

***Closing Hymn:** “Because He Lives” 364

***The Blessing - Response:**

“God Will Take Care of You” 130 v. 1

***Please stand if you are able.**

Thrift Store: Tues. 6 pm-8 pm; Thur. 10 am-2 pm; Sat. 10 am-2pm

Food Pantry: 2nd and 4th Tues. 6:30 pm-7:30 pm; Thur. 10 am-11:30