## Minister's Message

## **April 2025**

"The butterfly has long been a symbol of the resurrection of Jesus, as well as our own resurrection as we emerge from the power of fear and death. During worship, we will consider the process of metamorphosis as a guide to examine our own transformations from cocoons and tombs to the unfurled beauty of all God calls us to be.

The theme moves slowly over the weeks, allowing us to think in incremental steps about what we can learn spiritually from the process of the butterfly forming, cracking its chrysalis, pushing outward, hanging to let wings dry, letting go, and finally daring to fly. Along the way, various stories of faith help us see how God's people have always been dealing with transformation and issues of fear, trust, and letting go. We're all human, after all, and transformation is inevitable." (Marcia McFee, Worship Design Studio).

As we move from Easter towards Pentecost (June 8), we search for ways to transform our lives and be transformed as a congregation. On June8, we celebrate Pentecost and the beginning of the church and the giving of the Holy Spirit to people to continue Jesus' ministry. We will also be celebrating our 75thanniversary as a faith community. More details to come.

On May 4, we will welcome new members into our church family. Following worship, there will be a reception to meet and welcome them. It is exciting to receive new people into our fellowship. I hope you will take the time to get to know them.

Friends, we are being transformed as a congregation. You are all a part of that metamorphosis. Each of you plays an important role in our congregation. May God Bless Us as we endeavor to serve the Lord!

Blessings!

Cindy

