

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 9, 2017

Palm Sunday

Gathering

As the congregation gathers, please take a moment to speak to people sitting around you whom you may not know. Hebrews 13:2 (KJV) says, "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers; for thereby some have entertained angels unaware."

Prelude

As the prelude begins let us turn our thoughts and hearts to God in prayer and preparation for worship.

Jessica White, organist

Welcome to Worship

Greeting

* Opening Hymn, UM Hymnal No. 280

All Glory, Laud and Honor

* Psalter ~ Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29

¹ O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

² Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰ **This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.**

²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

²² **The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.**

²³ This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ **This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

²⁵ Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

²⁶ Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

²⁷ The LORD is God, and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you.

²⁹ **O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.**

* Gloria Patri, No. 70

Meineke

Pastoral Prayer

Minister: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Minister: Let us pray

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.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

forever. Amen

Offertory

* Presentation of Tithes, Gifts & Offerings

* Doxology

UM Hymnal Pg. 95

* The Gospel Lesson

Mark 11:1-11

Minister: The word of the God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"A King with No Subjects"

Rev. Adams

* Affirmation of Faith

Hymnal No. 881

* Hymn of Dedication, UM Hymnal No. 278

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

* Benediction

* Postlude

The altar greens are given to the glory of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Week with Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper"

Bethany UMC will present The Living Dramatization of Leonardo da Vinci's 'The Last Supper', during Holy Week.

The presentation is a moving drama, meant to help people better understand the passion of Christ in the events leading up to His crucifixion.

Two presentations are planned:

- **Holy Thursday, April 13, at 7:30 PM.**, in the Fellowship Hall
- **Good Friday, April 14, at 7:30 PM** in the Fellowship Hall

Communion will be served. The drama is recommended for adults and youth, and a nursery will be provided for children under age four.

Limited tickets are available on the first floor outside of the Fellowship Hall.

Easter Worship Opportunities

Easter Sunday, April 16

- 6:45 AM Sunrise Service at Azalea Park* – please bring your lawn chair
*(in case of rain we will move to Spell Chapel)
- 8 AM Worship in Spell Chapel
- 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary**
- 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM Word and Table Contemporary Services in the Fellowship Hall**

** A Nursery will be provided

The Flowering Cross

The flowering cross is an especially striking and beautiful way to represent the new life that emerges from the death of Christ on Good Friday. Please help us adorn the cross with flowers on Easter Sunday, as we celebrate the transformation on the rugged cross into a symbol of life and a new beginning. All children's Sunday School classes will visit the cross during the Sunday School hour.

Please join us on Easter morning in adorning the cross outside the Sanctuary by bringing cut flowers. As you come to church, place the flowers on the cross to affirm with all of us that Christ has conquered death and is alive. We look forward to celebrating God's great gift with you on Easter.

Bethany NOW Spring Schedule

Due to Spring Break, there will not be a Bethany NOW meal or classes this Wednesday, April 12. We will continue with meals and new classes for adults and children after Easter, April 19. The meal for April 19 will be Meatloaf, Veggie Medley and Baked Potato. The Sunday School support will be Charles Peace/Friends in Faith.

*Hosanna
in the
Highest!*



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