

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to our hosts/hostesses for Coffee in the Conference Room.

March 24 Sue Dostal, Josh Taylor, Sandy Blank

31 Pastor Dustin & Carrie

IF anyone would like to volunteer, please contact the church office.

Sunday School: immediately after the 10:00 service in the conference room. Join Debbie Wallin as she leads a new video on the book of Joshua by Louie Giglio.

Wednesday Dinner Main Dish:

March 27 Black Bean Sup compliments of Martha and Carol

April 3 No Bible Study/Dinner

Lenten Bible Study on Tuesday at Noon and on Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm.

Confirmation Classes continue after church 11:30—12:30 pm.

Pecans: We only have the regular pecans left to sell. They are great for baking and snacking. See Mike Ballard to get yours today.

C.O.M.E. : This week we are collecting dish soap for Ebenezer Community Outreach and The House of the Carpenter.

Directory Pictures will be taken after Worship Service today.

Prayers & Squares will meet on Friday, April 5 at 10:00 am in the parlor.

Today: Palm Sunday. There will be an Easter egg hunt following service.

March 28: Maundy Thursday Service at 6:00 PM

March 29: Good Friday Service at 6:00 PM

March 31: Easter SonRise Service at 7:00 AM in the courtyard
Easter Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Finance Team Calendar Fundraiser : please turn in your donations by March 31.

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MARCH 24, 2024

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

10:00 AM: WORSHIP SERVICE & GOD'S BIG HOUSE (PRE-K - 5TH GRADE)

11:10 AM: ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL (CONFERENCE ROOM)

To parents of young children: Relax! God put the wiggles in children; don't feel you have to suppress those wiggles in God's house. Consider sitting toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to engage. Explain parts of the service and actions of the pastor, musicians, and leaders. Sing the songs, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn behavior by mimicking you. If you have to leave the Sanctuary with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. You and your child are a blessing to the church and this congregation. After the Children's Moments, children are welcomed and encouraged to stay and be part of the service or if you choose they can attend God's Big House (Ages: K-5th Grade upstairs with Mr. Andrew and our volunteers) or the Nursery (Ages: New-born to Pre-K on the main level with Ms. Sarah and our volunteers). As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

*Congregation is invited to stand, if able.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SONGS OF PRAISE: Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)
O Praise Him

*CALL TO WORSHIP LED BY JOSH TAYLOR
(USING THE FAITH WE SING, P. 2109, "HOSANNA! HOSANNA!")

CHOIR (SINGING) [VERSE 1] "JESUS RODE INTO JERUSALEM. HOSANNA! HOSANNA. ALL THE PEOPLE SANG THEIR PRAISE TO HIM. HOSANNA! HOSANNA. CAME TO TOWN UPON A DONKEY'S BACK; HOSANNA! HOSANNA! SEEMED SO LOWLY BUT HE'S LORD IN FACT. HOSANNA! HOSANNA! HOSANNA! HEAR THE PEOPLE SAY HOSANNA! SAVE US TODAY. HOSANNA! IT'S A FAITHFUL SONG. HOSANNA! SING IT ALL NIGHT LONG!"

L: WAVE YOUR BRANCHES HIGH. JESUS IS COMING!

P: BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO COMES IN GOD'S NAME!

L: SPREAD YOUR GARMENTS ON HIS PATH.

P: PREPARE THE WAY FOR THE SAVIOR. HOSANNA!

CHOIR (SINGING) [VERSE 2]: "EVERYBODY BROUGHT THEIR HOPES AND DREAMS. HOSANNA! HOSANNA! LIFE JUST ISN'T ALWAYS WHAT IT SEEMS. HOSANNA! HOSANNA! NEED SOMEBODY WHO CAN HELP US BE HOSANNA! HOSANNA! LIBERATED FROM CAPTIVITY. HOSANNA! HOSANNA! HOSANNA! HEAR THE PEOPLE SAY HOSANNA! SAVE US TODAY, HOSANNA! IT'S A FAITHFUL SONG. HOSANNA! SING IT ALL NIGHT LONG."

Song Continues →

CONGREGATION AND CHOIR SINGING REFRAIN:

"HOSANNA! HEAR THE PEOPLE SAY HOSANNA! SAVE US TODAY. HOSANNA! IT'S A FAITHFUL SONG. HOSANNA! SING IT ALL NIGHT LONG!"

OPENING PRAYER (IN UNISON) LED BY JOSH TAYLOR

Hosanna! Blessed is Jesus who comes in God's Name! We stand at the gates of our Jerusalem and wave our branches high. We get caught up in the excitement of the parade. Jesus sits astride a donkey, a beast of burden bearing a most precious gift. Let the joy fill your hearts this day as we shout our Hosannas. Praise God for the wondrous ways in which our lives have been touched. Prepare our hearts to worship and celebrate this day! Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM

CROSS ROADS UMC CHOIR

A TIME FOR CHILDREN WITH DIANE VARNUM

This, this is where children belong.
Welcomed as part of our worship and song.
Hearing God's Word, sharing love all along.
This is where children belong.

*SONG OF PREPARATION: FILLED WITH EXCITEMENT UMH 279

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER AMY WAUGH WILSON

SCRIPTURE: MARK 11: 1-11 (NRSV) READ BY JOSH TAYLOR

THIS IS THE WORD OF GOD. DO YOU BELIEVE IT?

YES, WE BELIEVE IT.

MESSAGE: THE CALM BEFORE THE STORM REV. DUSTIN MCCUNE

A TIME OF PRAYER

A TIME OF GIVING

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*A SONG OF INVITATION: HOSANNA, LOUD HOSANNA UMH 278

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTIONAL SONG: THE BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace. Amen.

*BENEDICTIONAL PRAYER

POSTLUDE