



**First United Methodist Church**

Welcome! We're glad that you are here.

To all who need comfort; all who need friendship;  
all who are lonely and need companionship;  
all who want sheltering love, all who sin  
and need a Savior; and whosoever will

—we open wide our doors and say, “Come; let us worship together.”

10:15am Sunday Worship March 24, 2024

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE Ryker McCombie

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART Vivian Eaton

EXCLAIM WITH DELIGHT – HOSANNA  
(Children & Youth Marching)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #287 “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” (v. 1 & 3)

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SIXTH WORD FROM THE CROSS John 19:30

“Jesus said, “It is completed.” Bowing his head, he gave up his life.”

We wonder if Jesus spoke these words in relief, disappointment, resignation, or exaltation. It was indeed the end of His life on earth, and the end of the job He had come to do. Jesus constantly reminded the people that He had come to do the will of His Father in heaven ... “*Did you not know that I must be about my Father’s business ... My food is to do the will of Him who sent me and to accomplish His work ... My Father is working still and I am working ... I must work the works of Him who sent me ... I have glorified Thee on earth; I have finished the work which Thou gave me to do.*” Jesus had preached the gospel; revealed God in action; spoken the truth in love and had reconciled man to God. Jesus’ work here on earth was done and the glorious dawn of Easter morning was yet to come.

**Today’s symbol, the nails, remind us that Jesus’ love for us was so great that He gave everything ... even His life’s blood. We also place palm branches upon the cross today to symbolize the triumphant entry of Christ into our lives.**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Deeann Kramer

L: This is the day that the Lord has made!

**P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

L: Open wide the gates of your hearts.

**P: Let the Savior enter!**

L: Shout with joy, all you people.

**P: The Savior has come forth bringing peace. Amen.**

\*SONG: “Open the Eyes of My Heart” Worship DVD

OPENING PRAYER Deeann Kramer

**God of grace and glory, blessed is your Son, Christ Jesus, and blessed is your holy name. As we bless your name and sing with joy, awaken our ears to hear your word; awaken our hearts to listen for your wisdom. As we rejoice in this day that you have made, help us hear even the hard news of Christ’s suffering and death. As we celebrate your presence with palms and praises, guide us to live your teachings, even when the path is painful and difficult. May your presence flow through us into your world. In the name of your Son, Christ Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

THE APOSTLE’S CREED #881 Deeann Kramer

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

CHILDREN’S TIME Esther Losh

HOLY BAPTISM

SCRIPTURE Psalm 118:1-2 (CEB) Deeann Kramer

\*GOSPEL Mark 11:1-11 (CEB) Pastor Dave Yim

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

**A: Thanks be to God!**

HYMN #277 “Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”

MESSAGE “Chosen to Be Loved” Pastor Dave Yim

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS (Email the office)

PRAYER FOR PEOPLE

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.**

OFFERING OURSELVES

\*DOXOLOGY #95

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Almighty and everlasting God, as we bring our gifts and lay them at your altar, we remember the crowds in Jerusalem who laid their cloaks on the road, shouting “Hosanna” as Jesus passed. We know they were looking for a Messiah who was different from who you sent Jesus to be – not one of political power and military might, but one who came in compassion and mercy to heal, love, and save. Search our hearts that we might be confident that the Messiah for whom we long is the one you know we need – Jesus Christ, your anointed one, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

\*SONG: “The Palms” (v. 1 & 3) By Jean-Baptiste Faure

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\*GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD Vivian Eaton

**In Our Prayers**

Emilee Derrer, Rhonda Harlock Smith, Gi-Tae Yim, Sandy Froehlich, Barb McFadden, Glen White, Pastor Bill Landis, Shirley Hastings, Alice Riffe-Torrison (Ronda’s mom), Dale Wurster, Owen Davies (Bonnie’s son), Curtis Pilgrim (Kris Yingling’s friend), Steve Runge (Ronda’s friend), Connie Zink, Pastor Lee (Pastor Dave’s friend), Don & Judy Greenfield, Sandy Pratt, Shirley Fritz, Lexi Tsoukalas (Molly’s great niece), Alyssa Volkers (Burt & Peg Dauphin’s granddaughter), Debbie Bilik (Janet Morlock’s friend), Tim Cavanagh, Louise Brouillard (Ronda’s friend), Scarlett Huebner, Chrissy Sullivan, Miles Purchis (Max & Martha Purchis’ grandson), John & Linda Jachino, Paul Mayer, Angie (Paula’s friend), Roger Furrow, Kurtis (Susan Michelle’s friend), Eli (Bob & Lavona’s grandson), Paula Mayer, Young-Ho (Bang-Wool’s father), Tinslee, Chris Falk’s father, Jeff (Backwater Gambler dad), Ed & Barb Jepsen, Bud & Sharon Atherton, Mary (Belander) Klein, Howard Nichols, Jackie Walker, the family of Sally Ritchie, our Confirmands (Jon, Aidan, Jiho, Asia, Caleb, and Lexi), and WC staff & students.

**Our shut-ins:** Sylvia Reuterfors, Dorothy Taylor, Erik & Alice Riffe-Torrison, Joy Turner, Steve Yenny, Brenda Hamm, Janice Wilt, Mary Ellen Dreger, Herb, Sandy & Ben Pratt, Florence Bevins-Powell, and Shirley Fritz.

Our country & government, Military Personnel & their families, the safety of Ukrainians & end of wars, Syria, Israel, the Gaza Strip, peace in the Middle East, and the victims of everyday violence and their families.

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

March 26 – Don Kramer, Rex Kreuder  
 29 – Burt Prins, Susan White  
 31 – Miranda Schoenhaar

**CALENDAR**

Monday, March 25  
 1 to 3 pm – Sewing Ladies  
 Tuesday, March 26  
 Pastor out of office  
 Wednesday, March 27  
 10 am – Choir Practice  
 Thursday, March 28  
 4:30 pm – Lenten Bible Study  
 7 pm – Zoom Prayer meeting  
 Friday, March 29 (Good Friday)  
 12 noon – Good Friday Service @ FUMC  
 Sunday, March 31 (Easter)  
 7:30 am – Sunrise Service  
 8:30 to 9:30 am – Breakfast  
 9:00 am – Easter Egg Hunt  
 10:15 am – Easter Celebration

**WORSHIP HELPERS**

	March 31	April 7
Acolyte	Asia LaShelle	Blaine Johnson
Liturgist	Ester Losh/Susan Michelle	Molly Andersen
Counter	Rhonda Law	Molly Andersen
Verifier	Mary Irons	Pam Darrow

Last Week's Attendance: 62

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WC Food Pantry** – is needing soup (tomato, chicken noodle, cream of mushroom/chicken), cereal, mac & cheese, Chef Boyardee ravioli/spaghetios, pasta sauce, ketchup, and crackers. Please!  
**Blessing Basket** – We are in need of laundry soap, and paper towels. We always need paper products. Your support is greatly appreciated!  
**The Women's Group** is asking you to bring clean and dry plastic bags. The group will make sleeping mats out of them for homeless people. You can drop them off in a box in the sewing room at church.  
**Weekly Zoom Prayer Meetings** –will be every Thursday, @ 7 pm.

Pastor Dave will email you a link each week.  
**Rice Meal Packing** – will be April 20<sup>th</sup>! Baskets will be out for raising funds. Once again, 4 churches will go together to do this mission project.  
**Pictures for Church Directory** – Please see Ronda to set up a time.  
**Confirmation Class** – will be TODAY! Pictures at 3pm, class at 3:30-5pm. Next class will be April 7th.  
**Lenten Services** – on Good Friday, March 29th @ 12 noon at FUMC  
**Soup & Lenten Bible Study** – last one will be on Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 pm. "Wrestling with Doubt, Finding Faith" by Adam Hamilton.  
**Bible Study cancelled for Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**April Communion** – will go to support the Sewing Ladies.  
**Youth Group** – meeting Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> @ 5 pm  
**United Women in Faith** – meeting on Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**Finance/Growth** – meeting Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> @ 5 pm  
**JOY Ministry** – meeting Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm  
**Office will be Closed April 3-7<sup>th</sup>** - Ronda is going to National PAUMCS Conference in Memphis, TN.  
**Please make sure the doors are closed & locked** – when you come to the building after hours!  
**Nursery Room Usage** – per NIC Safe Sanctuary policies, no child/children are to be in there without a parent or certified adult (18 or older) present. Please clean up when finished.  
**New Sewing Ministry** – We invite all sewers to get involved in our sewing ministry by getting a kit in the sewing room. Several are available. (Pattern & material) Check out this ministry in the sewing room after church or ask any member of United Women in Faith. This gives those who cannot come Monday afternoons to sew a chance to be part of this important ministry by sewing at home at your convenience. Check this out!!!



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 Sunday, 10:15 am  
 March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Vision Statement**

**“Our faith calls us to action in the body of Christ and in the local community to love God and to love others”**

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