PALM/PASSION Sunday

MARCH 20, 2016



March 20, 2016 - 8:00 & 10:30

Palm/Passion Sunday

Order of Worship to the Glory of God

*Please rise, in body or spirit

UMH = the red United Methodist Hymnal | **TFWS** - the black The Faith We Sing book

Quote: "The earthly form of Christ is the form that died on the cross. The image of God is the image of Christ crucified. It is to this image that the life of the disciples must be conformed; in other words, they must be conformed to his death (Phil 3.10, Rom 6.4). The Christian life is a life of crucifixion (Gal 2.19). In baptism the form of Christ's death is impressed upon his own. They are dead to the flesh and to sin, they are dead to the world, and the world is dead to them (Gal 6.14). Anybody living in the strength of Christ's baptism lives in the strength of Christ's death." - Dietrich Bonhoeffer, (The Cost of Discipleship)

*The Liturgy of the Palms

Officiant Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

People Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Officiant Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Luke 19:28-40)

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it."' So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, 'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!' Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

The Lord be with you. Officiant People And also with you.

Officiant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

(10:30) The Procession

Officiant Let us go forth in peace.

In the name of Christ. Amen. People

As the people sing the hymn, they process back to their respective churches.

*Hymn of Praise

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

UMH 280

Refrain:

All glory, laud, and honor, to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

- 1. Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One. (Refrain)
- 2. The company of angels are praising thee on high, and we with all creation in chorus make reply. (Refrain)

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- The people of the Hebrews with psalms before thee went; our prayer and praise and anthems before thee we present. (Refrain)
- To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. (Refrain)
- Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King. (Refrain)
- (10:30) The procession halts at the church doors while the following Collect is said:

 Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(10:30) The congregation again sings the hymn "All Glory Laud and Honor" as they enter the church.

Gathering Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Anthem	(8:00)	"All Glory Laud and Honor" Resounding Joy	arr. Cynthia Dobrinski
	(10:30)	"Antiphonal Hosanna" Chancel Choir Dr. Woodrow Hodges, director	Alan Smith

The Epistle Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the

form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Ministry with Young Christians

The Gospel

The Passion According to Luke (Luke 22:14-23:56)

The congregation remains seated.

PASTOR: When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.' Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, 'Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.' Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, 'This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!' Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this.

PEOPLE: A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest.

PASTOR: But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. 'You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. 'Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.'

PEOPLE: And he said to him, 'Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!'

PASTOR: Jesus said, 'I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me.' He said to them, 'When I sent you out without a purse, bag, or sandals, did you lack anything?' They said, 'No, not a thing.' He said to them, 'But now, the one who has a purse must take it, and likewise a bag. And the one who has no sword must sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you, this scripture must be fulfilled in me, "And he was counted among the lawless"; and indeed what is written about me is being fulfilled.'

PEOPLE: They said, 'Lord, look, here are two swords.' He replied, 'It is enough.'

PASTOR: He came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them, 'Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.' Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, 'Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.'

PEOPLE: Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief,

PASTOR: and he said to them, 'Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.'

PEOPLE: While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him;

PASTOR: but Jesus said to him, 'Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?'

PEOPLE: When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, 'Lord, should we strike with the sword?' Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear.

PASTOR: But Jesus said, 'No more of this!' And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, 'Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!'

PEOPLE: Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, 'This man also was with him.' But he denied it, saying, 'Woman, I do not know him.' A little later someone else, on seeing him, said, 'You also are one of them.' But Peter said, 'Man, I am not!' Then about an hour later yet another kept insisting, 'Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.' But Peter said, 'Man, I do not know what you are talking about!' At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed.

PASTOR: The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, 'Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times.' And he went out and wept bitterly.

Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat PEOPLE: him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him, 'Prophesy! Who is it that struck you?' They kept heaping many other insults on him. When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council.

PASTOR: They said, 'If you are the Messiah, tell us.' He replied, 'If I tell you, you will not believe; and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.' All of them asked, 'Are you, then, the Son of God?' He said to them, 'You say that I am.'

Then they said, 'What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!' Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying, 'We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.' Then Pilate asked him, 'Are you the king of the Jews?'

He answered, 'You say so.' PASTOR:

PEOPLE: Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, 'I find no basis for an accusation against this man.' But they were insistent and said, 'He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.' When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very alad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He guestioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said PASTOR: to them, 'You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.'

Then they all shouted out together, 'Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!' This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder. Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting, 'Crucify, crucify him!'

A third time he said to them, 'Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him PASTOR: no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.' But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices



prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were begting their breasts and wailing for him.

PASTOR: But Jesus turned to them and said, 'Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, "Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed." Then they will begin to say to the mountains, "Fall on us"; and to the hills, "Cover us." For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?'

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. PASTOR: Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doina.

And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one! The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

PASTOR: One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until PEOPLE: three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two.

Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, 'Father, into your hands I commend my PASTOR: spirit.' Having said this, he breathed his last.

PEOPLE: When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, 'Certainly this man was innocent.' And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning.

PEOPLE: The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments.

PASTOR: On the sabbath they rested, according to the commandment.

Rev. Kookho Kim "Woman, I Don't Know Jesus" Sermon

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" **UMH 286** Prayer Hymn

The Church at Prayer Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer

Offering our Gifts Offertory (8:00)

(10:30)

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" "All Glory, Laud and Honor"

Youth Bells and Beginning Chimes

Karen Armstrong and Stina Rios, directors

UMH 95 *Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

Holy One, you gave your life so that we might live. Standing at the foot of the cross, we offer you our love and our lives. Amen.

"My Song Is Love Unknown" *Closing Hymn **TFWS 2083**

*Sending Forth

*Benediction

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*Postlude

piano/organ: Betty Schripsema



Sanborn

arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

THE TIMELINE

■oday is Palm Sunday. Palm Sunday, the Sunday before Easter, is a meaningful and happy day for Christians. Jesus came to Jerusalem to give us eternal life in the Kingdom of God. It starts with Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, an event mentioned in each of the four canonical Gospels. According to the Gospels, Jesus rode a donkey into Jerusalem, and the celebrating people there laid down their cloaks and small tree branches in front of him and sang part of a Psalm.

However, we also call this Sunday the Passion Sunday because Jesus was persecuted and sacrificed.

For this reason, we need to spend this time taking a pious attitude and mind for Jesus Christ, who came to the world as the Savior.

Here is the simple timeline based on Bible passages from Palm Sunday to Easter. I hope we memorize and track Jesus' path and have a chance to meditate on his suffering and love for us with prayers, reading the Bible, and attending worship services at the Church. (Maundy Thursday at 7 p.m. and Good Friday at 12:30 p.m.)

Holy Week - Day 1: Palm Sunday's Triumphal Entry Jesus began his trip to Jerusalem today. When Jesus entered into Jerusalem, he rode a donkey; the crowds welcomed him by waving palm branches in the air and shouting "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

Matthew 21:1-11, Mark 11:1-11, Luke 19:28-44, and John 12:12-19.

Holy Week - Day 2: Monday: Jesus Clears the Temple When Jesus arrived at the Temple, he found the courts full of corrupt money changers. He began overturning their tables and clearing the Temple, saying, "The Scriptures declare, 'My house is to be a house of prayer,' but you have made it a den of thieves." (Luke 19:46)

Matthew 21:12-22, Mark 11:15-19, Luke 19:45-48, and John 2:13-17.

Holy Week-Day 3: Tuesday: Jerusalem, Mount of Olives

On Tuesday morning, Jesus and his disciples returned to Jerusalem. They passed the withered fig tree on their way, and Jesus taught them about faith. At the Temple, the religious leaders aggressively challenged Jesus' authority, attempting to ambush him and create an opportunity for his arrest. But Jesus evaded their traps and pronounced harsh judgment on them.

Matthew 21:23-24:51, Mark 11:20-13:37, Luke 20:1-21:36, and John 12:20-38.

Holy Week - Day 4: Silent Wednesday The Bible doesn't say directly what Jesus did on

OF HOLY WEEK

Wednesday of Passion Week. Scholars guess through the historical facts and background of that time that Jesus and his disciples spent this day resting in Bethany in anticipation of the Passover.

Matthew 26:17-75, Mark 14:12-72, Luke 22:7-62, John 13:1-38

Holy Week - Day 5: Thursday's Passover, Last Supper Jesus washed the feet of his disciples as they prepared to share in the Passover in the evening.

Matthew 26:17–75, Mark 14:12-72, Luke 22:7-62, and John 13:1-38.

Holy Week - Day 6: Good Friday's Trial, Crucifixion, Death, Burial

According to Scripture, Judas Iscariot, the disciple who had betrayed Jesus, was overcome with remorse and hanged himself early Friday morning. Meanwhile, before the third hour (9 a.m.), Jesus endured the shame of false accusations, condemnation, mockery, beatings, and abandonment. After multiple unlawful trials, he was sentenced to death by crucifixion. Jesus was led away, soldiers spat on him, tormented and mocked him, and pierced him with a crown of thorns. Then Jesus carried his own cross to Calvary where, again, he was mocked and insulted as Roman soldiers nailed him to the wooden cross. Jesus spoke seven final statements from the cross. His first words were, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." (Luke 23:34). His last were,

"Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." (Luke 23:46) Then, at about the ninth hour (3 p.m.), Jesus breathed his last and died.

Matthew 27:1-62, Mark 15:1-47, Luke 22:63-23:56, and John 18:28-19:37.

Holy Week - Day 7: Saturday in the Tomb Jesus' body lay in the tomb where it was guarded by Roman soldiers throughout the day on Saturday, which was the Sabbath. When the Sabbath ended at 6 p.m., Christ's body was ceremonially treated for burial with spices purchased by Nicodemus.

Matthew 27:62-66, Mark 16:1, Luke 23:56, and John 19:40.





THE HIGHLIGHTER

First United Methodist Church

March 20, 2016

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

3rd Annual Women's Day of Fun & Reflection

Sat., April 30

Maundy Thursday worship

Thurs., 7p

Good Friday Worship

fri., 12:30p

Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 26, 10:30a

Easter

Breakfast 8:45a Worship 10:30a

FAITH FORMATION

Children's Faith formation

- Pre-K grade 1 continues Sparkhouse Bible Study
- Grades 2-4 continue with Legos Faith Builders
- Tweens Connect Bible study
- High School join Adult Study after the early service in the Wesley Wing. We will be discussing Ken Carter's Near the Cross

Adult Study will complete their discussion of Ken Carter's *Near the Cross* today in the Wesley Wing after the 8am service.

**There will be no Sunday School on Easter Sunday, March 27, or the Sunday following, April 3.

EASTER BREAKFAST ON EASTER SUNDAY IN STROM HALL

8:45am Choir 9:00 Congregation Join us for a delicious celebration of the holyday.

2ND SUNDAY SALVATION ARMY FOOD DRIVE



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GRACIOUS CONTRIBUTION OF 426 ITEMS LAST DRIVE! YOUR WONDERFUL GIFT IS ALWAYS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

ITEMS YOU DONTATED THIS MONTH FOR THE SALVATION ARMY FOOD DRIVE...

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UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Book club will meet on Monday, March 14, at Springwood restaurant at 12:00.

Mary's circle will meet on Saturday, March 19th, at Soup Depot at 9:30 AM.

BOOK DRIVE

Frank Elementary School is opening a "book store" to allow children to buy books. They are looking for new or gently used books suitable for kids age 3 through grade 6. Cori Hamelink, one of our 6th graders, has taken on the task of coordinating and collecting any donations you have. We will be collecting them the next 2 Sundays (March27 and April 3) in the Great Room.

SECOND 50

March 22 - Tuesday, Steering Committee meeting 10:00 AM, FUMC Wesley Wing. April 6 - "Advanced Health Care Directive, Part 1" April 20 - "Advance Health Care Directive, Part 2"

3RD ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

will take place on the east lawn near the big tree beginning at 10:30 am on Saturday, March 26. This event is open to the public.

MARCH WESLEYAN VALUE: GROWING IN HOLINESS

For John Wesley, the core of the Christian journey was a heart totally filled with love: there was no room for anything else, aka "holiness of the heart and life". He viewed the journey to holiness as a movement toward becoming fully human, like Christ was. Deeply personal, it is a transformation of our very natures. He also emphasized that "there is no holiness, but social holiness." He felt the surrounding community of believers plays a role in our journey. Wesley believed that we should reach out in love to others who were in prison, downtrodden, etc. People who did not do this were seen as not renewed in holiness. The whole world was Wesley's parish. Discipleship in the Wesley tradition is never just about the individual, but a call to care for all of God's creation.

As we continue our Lenten journey, we need to look around us and ask these questions:

- Who are the overlooked persons in our community? In what ways are we ministering to the least, the last and the lost?
- What needs are going unmet?
- Where in our community do we need to stand against unjust systems?
- What strengths does First Church have to offer?

HOSPITALITY TEAM FOR **TODAY**

WORSHIP ASSISTANT (8:00) Santhy Krass

WORSHIP ASSISTANT (10:30) Shirley Edwards

GREETERS/USHERS (8:00) Carol Novak, Harriet Wilson

USHERS (10:30) Sara Reeder, Mike Dawson, Scott Nelson

GREETERS (10:30) Kathy Meyer, Fran Hybert,

WELCOME DESK 8:00 Harriet Wilson 10:30

> HOSPITALITY TEAM FOR **MARCH 27, 2016**

WORSHIP ASSISTANT (10:30) Ruth Walls, Kris Brown

USHERS (10:30) Marty Matera, Jennifer Matera, Paul Huck, Joe Ripp

GREETERS (10:30) Shirley Edwards, Carol Gammon

WELCOME DESK 10:30 Shirley Edwards







- What does this call to personal and social holiness mean for us today?
- How can you and this church move beyond ourselves to ministry to others?

From A year with John Wesley and our Methodist Values

WELCOME STATEMENT STRAW POLL VOTE TODAY!

Today we are taking a vote to determine members' thoughts and feelings about the Welcoming Statement for our church. You have seen it in the bulletin the last several weeks. Please fill out the ballot included today in the Bulletin and place it either in the offering plate or the special collection plates on your way out of the service. If the majority of ballots show that our congregation supports adopting this welcoming statement, then we will plan a final vote in April. Any adult member or confirmed student member is eligible to vote. As always, you are welcome to stop by the table in the Great room if you still have questions.

GRIEF SHARE

Your Journey from Mourning to Joy Beginning Saturday, April 2nd, 10:30AM-Noon, in the Wesley Wing of First United Methodist Church

The care you need; information you can trust. After the funeral when the cards and flowers have stopped coming, most of the people around you return to their normal lives, but your grief continues and you feel alone.

Often friends and family want to help you but don't know how. That's the reason for Grief Share. Our group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and have successfully rebuilt their lives. We understand how you feel because we've been in the same place. We will walk with you on the long path through grief toward healing and hope for the future.

YOUTH GROUP & PARENT MEETING

Today the Youth Group has "the Parents & Youth Group Meeting" 5-6:30 p.m. at Pastor Kookho's house. His address is 5229 10th Ave, Kenosha WI. You can park on the street or in the Stationside Apartment Parking lot which is located on 53rd & 11th. Pastor Kookho's house is on the corner of the town house complex and has a fabric cross on the door. All of the youth and their parents are welcome. You can taste some Korean food and pizzas as a light dinner.

YOUTH MISSION TRIP PIZZA FUNDRAISER

Please support us by buying a fresh pizza from us. You can buy any combination of three pizzas for \$20 and a single for \$7. Money is due at the time of your order. All pizza orders are due on Sunday, April 3 (Sun). Unfortunately, we cannot accept any late orders. The ordering sheet is located in Great Room. Please, sign up to support our mission trip.

March 27(Sun) and April 3(Sun)-Easter Vacation. No Confirmation Class or Youth Group.

COLLECTING FOR VICTIMS OF FIRE

Two weeks ago an apartment building burned and all 65 residents were left without housing. The people are all low income residents of our city. We are collecting new pillows, blankets, underwear, and sweat suits. The people affected range from toddlers to adults. All sizes are welcome. We are working with the Red Cross as well as the other United Methodist Churches in our circuit on this project.

MARCH - APRIL

DOWNLOAD CALENDAR INFORMATION ON OUR WEBSITE AT

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Sun	Мон	Tue	WED	Тни	Fri	SAT
PALM SUNDAY 8A EARLY WORSHIP 9:15 SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30A BLESSING OF THE PALMS IN LIBRARY PARK 10:30A LATE WORSHIP 5P YOUTH GROUP (PARENT'S MEETING)	21	22 10a Second 50 Steering Committee Meeting Highlighter Deadline @ 12p 5:15p Resounding Joy Rehearsal 6p Disciple Class-Psalms	23	24 MAUNDY THURS 5:30P 5 FOR HYMN 7P WORSHIP SERVICE	GOOD FRIDAY 12:30p Worship Service	26 10:30a Community Easter Egg Hunt
EASTER SUNDAY 8:45 EASTER BREAKFAST 10:30A LATE WORSHIP	28	29 HIGHLIGHTER DEADLINE @ 12p 5:15p Re- SOUNDING JOY REHEARSAL 6p DISCIPLE CLASS-PSALMS	30	3 I 5:30p 5 for HYMN 6:15p Bond Bells 7:15p Chancel Choir	1	2
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HAVE SOMETHING FOR THE HIGHLIGHTER?

Submissions are due by noon Tuesdays. Write out an article or calendar item, or call the church office to speak with Shimon, or email him at shimon@firstumckenosha.com

WHAT'S AT THE WELCOME DESK?

DEVOTIONALS

Upper Room Daily Devotionals and Disciplines are available for purchase.

EQUAL EXCHANGE COFFEE

Many varieties of regular, decaf, and flavored coffee, teas and hot cocoa are available. All proceeds benefit the Janecke mission in Bolivia.

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

Bring your nonperishable food items and deposit them in the collection baskets.

Remember the special SECOND SUNDAY

COLLECTION each month — place your food items on the table on the east wall. The food is donated to the Salvation Army food pantry.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Please call the office with any corrections.

CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS

The logo and UPC code should be clipped and brought in for submission. Place in container on table by welcome desk.

GENERAL MILLS BOX TOPS

Place in container on table by welcome desk. Proceeds benefit Brass Elementary School.

HIGHLIGHTER

In case you miss a Sunday, back issues of the Highlighter (Weekly News) are available.

SPONSOR A SUNDAY BULLETIN

Would you like to honor someone or celebrate a special occasion? For just \$5.00 you can sponsor a bulletin. Pick up a form at the Welcome Desk.

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Your attendance at worship is important to us. Please fill out the red "Who's who in the Pew" pad, pass it along to your neighbor, return the pad to its starting point, take note of the names of those next to you, and be sure to greet one another after the service. We have a staffed nursery available during worship services.

