

First United Methodist Church
11:00 AM Service of Worship
April 14, 2019
PALM SUNDAY

GATHERING

Before the Service Begins

Please write your praises or prayer concerns and either give them to the ushers or bring them to Pastor Mike during the Passing of the Peace. Prayer request slips are available in the Registration Pads in each pew and on the table in front of the Church Office.

WELCOME, REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE, ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Mike Brown
(Please sign and pass the attendance pad down your pew.
Guests: please include your phone number and complete address.)

OPENING VOLUNTARY "Agincourt Hymn" . . . tune, *Deo gracias* . . . John Dunstable (1370-1453)

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Brown and Congregation
Hosanna to the Son of David!
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!
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***PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 278** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

***PROCESSION OF THE PALMS**

***OPENING PRAYER**

Blessed are You, Holy God,
for in Jesus Christ You came to rule in our lives,
not as a king, but as a humble servant, riding on a donkey.
Enter into our hearts this day with Your glory,
that we may greet You with shouts of praise;
through Christ, our Sovereign and Savior. Amen.

--Office of Theology and Worship, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), alt.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

SHARING PRAISES AND CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER "Lead Me, Lord" Samuel S. Wesley Chancel Choir

PRAYING THE SCRIPTURE: Psalm 118:1, 2, 19-29 Rev. Brown and Congregation

O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
His steadfast love endures forever!
Let Israel say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Open to us the gates of righteousness,
that we may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.
This is the gate of the Lord:
the righteous shall enter through it.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

We thank You that You have answered us
 and have become our salvation.
 The stone that the builders rejected
 has become the chief cornerstone.
 This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
 This is the day that the Lord has made;
 let us rejoice and be glad in it.
 Save us, we beseech You, O Lord!
 O Lord, we beseech You, give us success!
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
 We bless You from the house of the Lord.
 The Lord is God,
 and He has given us light.
 Bind the festal procession with branches,
 up to the horns of the altar.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

You are our God, and we will give thanks to You;
 You are our God, we will extol You.
 O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,
 for His steadfast love endures forever.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Amen.

--<http://www.lca.org.au>, alt.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN NO. 277 "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Brown

OFFERTORY "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" setting David Lowe

*PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS NO. 95 "The Doxology"

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Ida Cooksey
 (Children, Kindergarten and younger, are invited to leave the Sanctuary for age-appropriate learning activities.)

ANTHEM "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" arr. by B. Harlan. Chancel Choir

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE Luke 19:28-40 Rev. Mike Brown

(Pew Bible NT p. 83)

SERMON "Shouting Stones" Rev. Mike Brown

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*WORSHIP AND SONG NO. 3082. "Who Is He"

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION Rev. Brown

*RESPONSE "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" G. der Herzogi Chancel Choir

CLOSING VOLUNTARY "St. Theodulph" (All Glory, Laud, and Honor) Melchior Teschner

*PLEASE STAND (AS ABLE)

Bulletin Baskets: are found at the back of the Sanctuary for your convenience to discard your bulletins.

Reminder to parents: Safe Sanctuary Policy - "No child is left unsupervised for any reason at any time". Parents are encouraged to take their children to the restroom before any worship service begins. If a child needs to go to the restroom during worship, an adult or buddy needs to go with them.

Members Who Minister

Ushers for April 2019: Paxton Poitevint, Connor Poitevint, Jack Zilis, Ansley Yarbrough

Greeters for April 14, 2019: 11:00 AM Beth Yarbrough

Snack Supper for April 14, 2019: Demeca Fillingame

Helpers Needed for Special Worship Services

Two of the most important services of worship will take place toward the end of Holy Week. Our Holy Thursday Communion Service will be held April 18 at 7:00 p.m., and our Tenebrae Service ("The Service of Shadows") will be held on Good Friday, April 19, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Both services will be held in the Sanctuary.

Both services depend heavily on the help of our lay members with various parts. If you can help with any of the following, please contact Pastor Mike:

Holy Thursday:

3 readers

3 people to present the Communion elements

2 acolytes

4 Communion servers

Tenebrae:

7 readers

1 acolytes

Youth Choir members to "strip" the Sanctuary of items marking it as a worship space

1 person to control the lights

Thanks in advance for your willingness to help

District Conference

The Southwest District Conference will be held Sunday, April 28, beginning at 3:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Albany.

From the Staff-Parish Relations Committee

Rev. Melissa Traver to serve Bainbridge First United Methodist Church

The Staff - Parish Relations Committee is pleased to announce that Bishop Lawson Bryan has appointed Rev. Melissa Traver as Pastor of Bainbridge FUMC, effective June 2019.

Rev. Traver was ordained an Elder in The United Methodist Church in 2008. She is currently serving as the Pastor of St. Peter UMC in Columbus, Ga.

Rev. Traver is married to Chris, and they have two young sons: Xander, age 14, and Grayson, age 9. Rev. Traver is excited to begin her ministry among us and looks forward to becoming a part of our great church.

Rev. Traver's first Sunday will be in June, and further information will be shared in the days to come concerning welcome events for Rev. Traver and her family. I know you will join us in praying for Rev. Traver as we prepare to welcome her to Bainbridge FUMC and to our community.

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee wishes to thank Rev. Mike Brown for his years of ministry among us at Bainbridge FUMC. We wish both him and Tammy well in their new ministry at Waycross FUMC and will keep them in our prayers during this time of transition. We will honor them both with a church-wide reception in May, and details about that gathering will be shared with you soon.

Calendar for April 14, 2019

Sunday, April 14, 2019 - Palm Sunday

*9:00 AM-----Contemporary Worship Service, J.O. Smith Building
*9:45-10:45 AM----- Sunday School, Sharp Building and Adult S. S. Building
*11:00 AM-----Traditional Worship Service with Palm Processional, Sanctuary
4:30 PM-----Youth Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
5:00 PM-----Children’s Snack Supper, J. O. Smith Building
5:30 PM-----Children’s Fellowship, Sharp Building
5:30 PM-----Youth Snack Supper, J. O. Smith Building
6:00 PM-----1 Timothy 4:12 UMYF, Youth Basement

Monday, April 15, 2019 - Holy Week

11:45 AM-----Midday Holy Week Service, J.O. Smith Building

Tuesday, April 16, 2019 - Holy Week

9:00 AM-----Food Bank, Adult S. S. Building
11:45 AM-----Midday Holy Week Service, J.O. Smith Building

Wednesday, April 17, 2019 - Holy Week

11:45 PM-----Midday Holy Week Service, First Presbyterian Church
3:00 PM-----Knitting/Crochet Ministry, Simmons Parlor
*7:30 PM-----Youth & Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, April 18, 2019 - Holy Week/Holy Thursday

11:45 AM-----Midday Holy Week Service, First Baptist Church
7:00 PM-----Holy Thursday Service, Sanctuary

Friday, April 19, 2019 - Holy Week/Good Friday

-----Church Office Closed
11:45 AM-----Midday Holy Week Service, Bainbridge Church of God
7:30 PM-----Tenebrae/Good Friday Service, Sanctuary

* denotes ‘nursery provided’

HOLY WEEK

Holy Week begins April 14 with Palm Sunday and lasts through April 20, Holy or “Quiet” Saturday. These days commemorate the last week of Jesus’ earthly life and ministry and are marked by a number of special services.

Midday Holy Week Services, sponsored by the Bainbridge Ministerial Association. Lunch begins at 11:45 a.m., with the service to follow. The cost of the meal will be a donation. Here are the locations and churches involved:

Sunday, April 14 - Palm Sunday

11:00 AM - Children’s Palm Processional

Monday, April 15

11:45 AM - Holy Week Service & Lunch - First United Methodist Church

Tuesday, April 16

11:45 AM - Holy Week Service & Lunch - First Christian Church, First Church of God, and St. John’s Episcopal Church at First United Methodist Church

Wednesday, April 17

11:45 AM - Holy Week Service & Lunch - First Presbyterian Church and St. Joseph Catholic Church at First Presbyterian Church

Thursday, April 18

11:45 AM - Holy Week Service & Lunch - First Baptist Church
7:00 PM - Holy Thursday Service - First United Methodist Church

Friday, April 19

11:45 AM - Holy Week Service & Lunch - Bainbridge Church of God and Southwest Baptist Church at Bainbridge Church of God
7:30 PM - Tenebrae/Good Friday Service - First United Methodist Church

All these services prepare us for the glorious Resurrection Celebration of Easter Day, April 21, at both worship services!