

The United Methodist Church in
Wayne



Palm & Passion Sunday April 13, 2025

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PRELUDE

Jesus Messiah

Parish Drive

WELCOME

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

ONE: Shout out! Don't keep silent.

ALL God's steadfast love endures forever!

ONE: Let the children say:

CHILDREN: God's steadfast love endures forever!

ONE: Let the women say:

WOMEN: God's steadfast love endures forever!

ONE: Let the men say:

MEN: God's steadfast love endures forever!

ONE Let all who believe say:

ALL: God's steadfast love endures forever!

HYMN

Forever

W & S 3023

GOSPEL: Luke 19:29-38

One: As Jesus came to Bethphage and Bethany on the Mount of Olives, he gave two disciples a task.

He said, "Go into the village over there. When you enter it, you will find tied up there a colt that no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks, 'Why are you untying it?' just say, 'Its master needs it.'" Those who had been sent found it exactly as he had said.

As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

They replied, "Its master needs it."

They brought it to Jesus, threw their clothes on the colt, and lifted Jesus onto it. As Jesus rode along, they spread their clothes on the road.

As Jesus approached the road leading down from the Mount of Olives, the whole throng of his disciples began rejoicing. They praised God with a loud voice because of all the mighty things they had seen. They said,

All: "Blessings on the king who comes in the name of the Lord.

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens."

HYMN

Who Is He

W & S #3082

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, as we enter Holy Week, strengthen us to move beyond the festive parade of palms and follow Jesus into the way of the cross. Quiet within us all mortal voices that through the story of the passion and by the

power of your Holy Spirit, we may have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

THE MEAL Luke 22:1-7, 14 - 20

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.

A TROUBLING CONVERSATION Luke 22: 21-34

KYRIE

Worship & Song 3133

THE PRAYERS Luke 22:39-46

ANTHEM

Into the Garden the Savior Went *written by Joe E. Parks*
sung by Joey Tible & Cathy Nalesnik

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each prayer of intercession say:

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

THE ARREST Luke 22.47-53

KYRIE

Worship & Song 3133

THE DENIAL Luke 22. 54-62

One: 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

Servant Girl: This man also was with him.

One: But he denied it.

All: I do not know him.

One: A little later someone else also saw him and spoke up.

Bystander 1 — You also are one of them.

All: Listen: I am not!

One: Then about an hour later still another spoke up.

Bystander 2: Surely you were with him! You look like his kind.

All: No! I do not know what you are talking about!

Narrator: At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. 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.

UNISON PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

Merciful God, we confess that we have betrayed you. We are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. By the grace of our gentle Christ Jesus, have mercy upon us, O God. Heal us, forgive us, renew us and lead us so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways by the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

Silence is kept

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God does not turn away when we fail to be faithful. God continues to love us, to forgive us, to restore us.

All: It is God who helps us; it is God who saves us. It is all we need or ever will need. Thanks be to God. Amen.

HYMN

The Old Rugged Cross (UMH #504)

Parish Drive

THE MOCKING Luke 22. 63-71

PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

ONE: This is how you should think among yourselves—with the mind that you have because you belong to the Messiah, Jesus: Who, though in God's form, did not regard his equality with God as something he ought to exploit.

All: Instead, he emptied himself, and received the form of a slave, being born in the likeness of humans.

ONE: And then, having human appearance, he humbled himself, and became

obedient even to death, yes, even the death of the cross.

All: And so, God has greatly exalted him, and to him in his favor has given the name which is over all names:

One: That now at the name of Jesus every knee within heaven shall bow— on earth, too, and under the earth;

All: And every tongue shall confess that Jesus, Messiah, is Lord, to the glory of God, the father.

**WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING
OFFERTORY**

Were You There

sung by Joey Tible

DOXOLOGY

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

**To thee, before thy passion,
they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted,
our melody we raise.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Turn our palm branches into food for the hungry, turn the nails we hide behind our backs into justice for the forgotten, turn our shouts of joy into whispers of compassion for the broken. Turn our gifts into the hope, the grace, the life others need. Amen.

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

THE TRIAL BEFORE PILATE Luke 23.1-25

One: The whole company of elders arose and brought Jesus before Pilate.

All: We found this man subverting our nation. He opposes paying taxes to the emperor, and claims to be the Messiah, a king!

Pilate: Are you king of the Jews?

Jesus: You have said so.

Pilate: I find no crime in this man.

All: But he stirs up the people, teaching throughout Judea, from Galilee all the way here!

One: 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 glad, 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 questioned 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.

Pilate: 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.

All: Away with him! Release to us Barabbas

One: Barabbas has been imprisoned for an insurrection in the city, and for murder.

Pilate: What shall I do with the man whom you call King of the Jews?

All: Crucify him! Crucify him!

Pilate: Why, what evil has he done? This man has done nothing deserving death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.

All: Crucify him! CRUCIFY HIM!

One: 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.

THE CROSS Luke 23. 26, 32:46

*** CLOSING HYMN**

Jesus, Remember Me

Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom

Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom

THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Our service has ended.

You are welcome to remain in prayer as long as you wish.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS April 2025

CALENDAR OF EVENTS Holy Week April 14th – 20th

Monday April 14th

AA mtg @ 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall (Room 8)

Tuesday April 15th

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Wednesday April 16th

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Thursday April 17th

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Good Friday April 18th

Friday Morning Prayer @ 7pm on Facebook

Sunday April 20th

Easter Sunday Worship with Parish Drive @ 10am

Egg Hunt following Worship Service

First Friday News

Our next gathering is Friday, May 2 at noon. All are welcome to come, as we BYO our lunches, beverages, and our willingness to have fun together. Our focus will be "Mothers". We will honor and talk about our mothers- their joys, triumphs and challenges during their lifetimes. All are invited to text or email a photo of their mothers to Anita (201-874-6915 or anitadispenziere@gmail.com). We will be able to view the pictures on the large screen TV as we tell our stories.



ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING SENIORS!!

The UMCW Scholarship applications can be picked up in the church office **beginning in April** and must be returned by **May 15th**.

Office Hours: 10am-3pm Tuesday-Thursday.

****Applicants must be an active member of the UMC in Wayne**

**** Any questions contact Nancy Kinch at (973) 694-2603 or nkinch@aol.com**



During the 45 days of Lent which starts March 5th, UMC in Wayne will be collecting food for WIN. **We have extended our collection into the week after Easter.**

We did this several years ago and we delivered about 150 bags of food to WIN.

The challenge is to beat our old record!

Get your friends and family involved to help our friends in Wayne.

We will have a list of acceptable food items.

Hate to shop? All monetary donations are accepted! See Anita or Liz with questions.

The words and music in our liturgy, hymns, and songs are by:

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