

Guest Information: We are glad that you are here today in worship with us. We have information cards located at the check-in station in the church entry. Please take a moment and fill out as much information as you fill comfortable. We will take this information and add it to our database. If you would like to receive our weekly newsletter please check the box and we will add you to our distribution list.

Our Young Disciples Zone, at the back of the sanctuary, is open for families with young children and children's bulletins are available on the bookshelf. A nursery is available for children 0-5 years old. It is located down the main hallway and the second hallway to the right in the Bear classroom.

Bathrooms are located at the back of the sanctuary through the double doors. Family restrooms with changing tables are available in the main hallway.

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Today's full service may be watched on lafumc.churchcenter.com, our website and Facebook. Recordings of the full service and just the message are posted on our YouTube channel on Monday

Calendar this Week

- March 24:** 9 a.m. Bible History Class Hybrid on Zoom/In-person in Friendship Center (A16)
10 a.m. Passion/Palm Sunday Contemporary Worship
11:30 a.m. Inquirer's Class Hybrid on Zoom/In-person in Teacher's Lounge (B12)
- March 25:** 1:30 p.m. Clubhouse Knitters, Ridge Park Clubhouse, 505 Oppenheimer Dr.
- March 26:** 1:15 p.m. Martha Circle in Friendship Center (A16)
5:30 p.m. Ark Staff Meeting in Fellowship Hall (C5)
6 p.m. Leadership Board in Friendship Center (A16)
- March 27:** 3 p.m. Sr. High Bible Study in Youth room (B9)
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir rehearsal in Sanctuary (A1)
7 p.m. STAR NA support group in Library (C1)
7 p.m. Troop 2 in Fellowship Hall (C5)
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal in Sanctuary (A1)
- March 28:** 6 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service
7 p.m. Troop 122 in Fellowship Hall (C16)
- March 29: Ark Closed**
6 p.m. Good Friday Service – Stations of the Cross
- March 30:** 10 a.m. Church Work Day and Decorate Sanctuary
- March 31:** 6:35 a.m. Sunrise Service at Ashley Pond
9 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt at First United Methodist
9 a.m. Bible History Class Hybrid on Zoom/In-person in Friendship Center (C15)
10 a.m. Traditional Easter Sunday Worship
- April 1: Church Office is Closed**



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March 24, 2024

Passion/Palm Sunday

10 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service

**Please stand as you are comfortable.*

Gathering Music

Welcome

Palm Sunday Proclamation

Leader: Blessed is the coming kingdom.

People: Hosanna in the highest!

***Praise Song:** *Hosanna (Praise is Rising)*

* Prayer of Confession

Leader: Together let us pray.

All: Loving God, we sing and shout "Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!"

**How easy it is to ignore what is to come –
anger, betrayal, torture and death.**

Forgive us for the times we have fallen short;

when we have been the cause of anger

or been angry without cause;

when we have betrayed the innocent;

when we have stood by and in our silence

condoned violence and torture;

**when we have rejoiced at the death of those
we label as "the other" or "enemies".**

**Surround us with your enabling grace,
and help us to live a life of faithfulness**

**to the one who came to teach us
how to live and how to love,
the one for whom we wave our branches this day. Amen.**

***Words of Assurance and Pardon**

Leader: Hear these words of assurance and pardon:
The Lord God helps us; we will not be disgraced. The Lord God helps us; who can declare us guilty? Sisters and brothers, beyond the shadow of doubt, your sins are forgiven. By the mercy of Christ, we stand before God forgiven and free.

People: Thanks be to God for this good news!

***Praise Songs:** *King of Heaven*

Centering Prayer

Hymn: UMH #484 *Kyrie Elision*

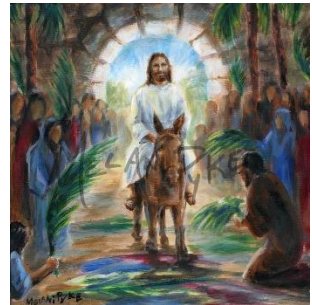
The Passion Liturgy

First Scripture Reading: Mark 14:1-25

Communion

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
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.**



***Giving Bread and Cup**

Praise Song: *Jesus Messiah*

Offering

Prayer After Communion

Second Scripture Reading: Mark 14:26-52

Hymn: UMH #290 *Go To Dark Gethsemane*, v. 1

Third Scripture Reading: Mark 14:53-72

Hymn: UMH 292 *What Wondrous Love Is This*, v. 1-2

Fourth Scripture Reading: Mark 15:1-21

Hymn: UMH #286 *O, Scared Head Now Wounded*

Hosanna!
Hosanna, Hosanna!
Hosanna! Hosanna!
Hosanna!

Presentation of the Cross

A silence will be kept.

Prayers of the People

Leader: Save us O Lord,

People: Your mercy is great.

Fifth Scripture Reading: Mark 15:22-39

***Hymn:** UMH #288 *Were You There*, v. 1-4

***Presentation of the Palms**

Sixth Scripture Reading: Mark 15:40-47

Praise Song: *We Believe*

Benediction and Blessing

Closing Song



Maundy Thursday, March 28

6 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service

Good Friday, March 29

6 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Easter Sunday

6:35 a.m. Sunrise Service at Ashley Pond
(Bring your own chair)

9 am Easter Egg Hunt at First United Methodist Church

10 am Traditional Worship

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