

# Passion/Palm Sunday

April 9, 2017 8:30 am

*"God is spirit, and His worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth."* (John 4:24)

**Prelude** "Festival Piece on 'St. Theodulph'" (Hakes) Handbell Choir

**Welcome**

**\*Opening Songs** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" UMH 278  
"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" UMH 277

**Announcements**

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

**Prayer Song** "Near to the Heart of God" (vs. 1&2) UMH 472

**\*Opening Prayer** (in unison)

"Blessed One, You entered Jerusalem humbly sitting on a donkey's back to bring peace and joy to the hearts of Your people. Sing in our hearts once more, that we may remember the joy of dancing and singing our hosannas. Enter our hearts and be the King of our lives. Amen."

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Prayer Song** "Near to the Heart of God" (vs. 3) UMH 472

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Presentation & Welcome of New Members**

*Tim & Bonnie Gillikin, Melvin & Earlene Harrison, Mark & Gretchen Jankovitz,  
Eileen Klase, Mark & Christine Piper*

**Children's Moment**

**Prayer for Passion/Palm Sunday** (in unison)

"Almighty God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in His obedience to Your will and in the glorious victory of His resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and ever. Amen."

*\*Please rise either in posture or in spirit.*

**Epistle Lesson** **Philippians** **2:5-11** Karen Baker

**Gospel Lesson** **Matthew** **21:1-11**

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Message** "Who Is This?" Rev. Wayne Chung

*Jesus enters Jerusalem humbly riding on a borrowed donkey. The crowds rejoice shouting, "Hosanna! O Lord, Save Us!" Some ask, "Who is this?" "He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross!"*

**Giving in Response to God's Love**

**Offertory** "Palm Sunday Procession" (Helman) Handbell Choir

**\*Presentation of Offering** "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" TFWS 2036

**\*Closing Song** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" UMH 280

**\*Sending Forth with God's Blessing**

**Response** "Go Now in Peace" (accom. Handbell Choir) UMH 665

**Postlude**

## Lection Reading for Following Sunday

Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-18 or Matthew 28:1-10

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*The flowers on the altar today are given by Janet Schmidt*

*The rosebuds on the altar today are in honor of the births of:*

*Harrison Michael Clothier on April 2, to Meggie & Brian – big brother of Calvin, grandson of Laura Kratz, and great-grandson of Irmgard Kratz*

*Emerenz Setzer on April 1 in Switzerland - granddaughter of Charlie & Corki Wight  
Thanks be to God!*

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## OUR FAITH IN ACTION

**Our Prayers:** The Kotoriy Family, Florence Bowles, Elsie Arnold, Deloras Ward recovering from surgery, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Sarah Stallings, Jerome Stallings, Shirley Wood, Carl Stallings, Sr., Laura Wise – sister of Donna Nestor, Diana Marshall – niece of Martha Wooldridge, Jack Dorsey, Kathy Wallace, Bill Fowler, Those who travel



<b>Our Presence:</b>	Worship Attendance Last Sunday	203
	Average Worship Attendance	189
	Sunday School Attendance Last Sunday	60

**Our Gifts:** Please strive to tithe! The Bible asks us to tithe 10% of our income to God. Many of our members are doing this already. How about you? You may give your offering electronically (EFT). Call the church office to set it up. *Stewardship is rather a way of life than an annual campaign. Thank You for your faithful stewardship!*

**Record of Giving (Funds Received by the Church)**

	January-February 2017					
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %		
General Fund	\$70,308	\$65,016	\$5,292	8%		
Missions Fund	\$3,117	\$3,258	(\$141)	-4%		
P&I Fund	\$2,981	\$3,000	(\$19)	-1%		
Building Fund	\$12,477	\$11,000	\$1,477	13%		
Kitchen Fund	\$670	\$4,000	(#3,330)	-83%		
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal	39	Other	2	YTD Cereal	415

\*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$113,581 as of February 28, 2017  
Mortgage Loan Balance = \$501,177 as of February 28, 2017

**Our Service:**

Ministers	All Members and Volunteers at Friendship
Secretary	Bonnie Dean <a href="mailto:bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org">bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org</a>
Music Team	Sandy Melson Griese, Holly Reynolds Lee, Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley
Custodian	Jim Fowler
Counters	Karen Eggert & Chuck Muller
8:30 Greeters & Ushers	Harry Hill & Sam Terry
8:30 Sound Tech	John Wilson
Altar Guild for April	Kitty Beck Wilson (410-257-6519)
Friendship Hour	Mary Magdalene Zone (Grace DeGeorge)
Stephen Ministry Coordinator	Paula Madden 443-262-2635 (C)
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