

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF MARCH 28

Sunday, March 28	Palm Sunday	
9:30 am	Contemporary Service/Palm Procession	143 Broad
10:00 am	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Traditional Worship/Palm Procession	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	MS PYF	143 Broad
6:30 pm	Stated Session Meeting	Zoom
7:00 pm	HS PYF	143 Broad
Monday, March 29		
9:30 am	Lost and Found Bible Study	143 Broad
Tuesday, March 30		
2:00 pm	Sermon Study with Dave	143 Broad
Wednesday, March 31		
4:30 pm	Confirmation Class	
6:30 pm	Lost and Found Bible Study	143 Broad
6:30 pm	Men's Bible Study with Dave	143 Broad
Thursday, April 1		
	Maundy Thursday	
	Preschool Closed – Easter Break	
7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Service Communion	143 Broad
Friday, April 2		
	Good Friday	
	Preschool Closed – Easter Break	
Saturday, April 3		
7:15 am	Men's Bible Study	143 Broad
10:00 am	Easter Egg Hunt	
Sunday, April 4		
	Easter Sunday	
9:30 am	Contemporary Service	143 Broad
10:00 am	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
Monday, April 5		
	Easter Monday – Office Closed	

LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

SESSION

David Rockness, Moderator

Class of 2021

Mike Campbell
Brent Curtis
Tom Morrow
Mike Toma
Gene Vaughan

Class of 2022

Phil Heilman
Zach Miller
Trent Newell
Bill Omohundro
Mickey Russell

Mark Auten, Clerk

Class of 2023

Mark Auten
Chris Creech
Ross Culp
Scott Mauney
Sue Stevens

DIACONATE

Andrew Coates, Moderator

Class of 2021

Beverly Chappell
Andrew Coates
Hillary Cole
Angie Copeland
Debbie Lackey
Jane Peterson
Teresa Trimble

Class of 2022

Carolyn Brawley
Pat King
Liz Rader
Kendall Reid
Ginny Swedenberg

Liz Rader, Associate Moderator

Class of 2023

Chet Carpenter
Laura Christman
Lucy Hastings
Cathy Irwin

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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples

March 28, 2021 ♦ 11:00 A.M. PALM SUNDAY

Please complete the Friendship Pad and pass it down your pew for all to sign.

*Please stand as you are able.

Please turn off your cell phones or place them on “vibrate.”

Words printed in **bold** are said by the congregation.

PRELUDE Greg Thompson, Organist

WELCOME Jason Sentas

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 24:7-10

Lift up your heads, O ye gates;

be lifted up, you ancient doors, that that King of glory may come in.

Who is the King of glory?

The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O you gates;

Lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is he, this King of glory?

The Lord Almighty he is the King of glory.

INVOCATION

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN: *“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”*

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang; through pillared court and temple, the lovely anthem rang; To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast, the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed ‘mid an exultant crowd, the victor palm branch waving and chanting clear and loud. The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, Nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest” That ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King. O, may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles’ Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER, SILENT CONFESSION, AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SONG OF WORSHIP *“Rejoice, The Lord Is King”*

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King above. Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.

Refrain:

Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Our Savior, Jesus reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above. *Refrain:*

His kingdom cannot fail; he rules both earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Savior given. *Refrain:*

Rejoice in glorious hope for Christ the Judge shall come to gather all his saints to their eternal home. *Refrain:*

SCRIPTURE READING John 12:12-19

“The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord the King of Israel!” Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: “Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt!” His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him. So the crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to testify. It was also because they heard that he had performed this sign that the crowd went to meet him. The Pharisees then said to one another, “You see, you can do nothing. Look, the world has gone after him!”

SERMON *“The Triumphant Entry”* Dave Rockness

*HYMN: *“All Glory, Laud and Honor”*

Refrain:

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

You are the King of Israel, and David’s royal Son, Now in the Lord’s name coming, our King and blessed One. *Refrain:*

The company of angels are praising you on high, Creation and all mortals in chorus make reply. *Refrain:*

The people of the Hebrews with palms before you went; our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present. *Refrain:*

To you; before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to you, now high exalted our melody we raise. *Refrain:*

As you received their praises, accept the prayers we bring, for you delight in goodness, O God and gracious King. *Refrain:*

*INVITATION

* BENECTION

*POSTLUDE Greg Thompson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Palm Procession: Children and youth are encouraged to participate in the Palm Procession this morning. Meet in the parlor immediately prior to the 11:00 am traditional service.

Two Easter Sunday Services will be offered on Easter Sunday morning, April 4. Contemporary worship service will be held in the 143 broad building at 9:30 am and the traditional worship service will be held in the sanctuary beginning at 11:00 am. Come and worship our risen Savior.

Easter Lily Dedication: We will have fresh lilies in the sanctuary on Easter Sunday to honor our Lord in memory of loved ones in our lives. You may designate a lily towards the name of a loved one for a \$10 donation. If interested, please email your name and phone number to Marian@moorevillefpc.org along with the name(s) that you would like to see memorialized in our Easter bulletin. Please email the information to Marian or include it with your check to the church by Monday, March 29.

Children's Messages: There will be a Children's Message posted on the church website (moorevillefpc.org) at the end of each week. Click on Ministries tab, then Children tab.

Easter Egg Hunt: Everyone is invited to the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 3, at 10:00 am. Due to safety restrictions, the Egg Hunt will have a few differences this year, including the need to register your child with limited registration. Reservations are required by this Wednesday, March 31. Go to the church website (www.moorevillefpc.org) to register. The Egg Hunt is for preschoolers – 5th grade. We also need volunteers to help with the activities.

Please contact Ellen Auten (704-664-5275; ellen@moorevillefpc.org) if you are available to help. Candy donations (individually wrapped and small enough to fit into a 2” plastic egg) are welcomed and appreciated. Please leave candy in the basket in the church office by this Tuesday, March 30.

Adult Sunday School Class: We are offering an in-person Sunday School class at 10:00 am on Sundays in the fellowship hall. The class is led by John and Judy Daniel, and uses the Ray Vander Laan DVD series, “That the World May Know.” Upcoming class sessions include these topics:

March 28 – Palm Sunday lesson, Lamb of God

April 4 – Easter lesson, Roll Away the Stone

Tables and chairs are set up and spaced so that participants may easily sit 6 feet apart. We strongly recommend wearing a mask and sitting only with people in your household.

2021 Scholarships: Applications are now available for two scholarships for First Presbyterian Church members who are graduating seniors or college students. The Agnes Neel and Cora Freeze scholarships are valued at \$2,500 each. Applications can be obtained from the church website, www.moorevillefpc.org, or from the church office (704) 664-5275. Deadline to be completed and returned to the church office is Monday, April 26.

Maundy Thursday Service and Prayer Vigil: As we head toward the resurrection, First Presbyterian Church is offering a Tenebrae service on Maundy Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the 143 Broad Building followed by a prayer vigil. You are invited to join us online or in person for either or both. Participants in the prayer time can sign up for one hour of personal/family prayer online or by contacting the office. This prayer can take place in the 143 Broad Bldg. where prayer stations will be set up or at home. We hope you will add the prayer vigil to your Holy Week experience as a way of entering into the suffering of our Savior and remembering the command to love one another that the Lord gave us at the Last Supper.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please contact the church if you, a family member, or a friend faces illness, hospitalization, bereavement, or some other concern. Please do not assume the church office knows. **Prayer concerns will remain for six weeks. If you wish people to remain longer, please contact the church office and ask to have the period extended.** If the concern is confidential, please let us know and we will honor your wish for privacy. Names in **bold** indicate new concerns.

Members in Hospitals, Care Facilities, or Homebound

Joan Gibson	Billie Brawley	John Westmoreland
Lecie Miller	Mary Mason	Kathleen Bates
Pat Hunter	Dot Nelson	Christy Floyd
Peggy Rogers		

Members of the Church

Al Culp	Bill Harris	Amy Williams
Gene Harris	Faye Wright	Tom Trosuk
Sheri Mack	Lorra Lee Holshouser	Jerilyn Fair
Sherri Hodge		

Friends of the Church

Baxley Hoover	Jacki Rullman	Hudson Hitchcock
Dianne Haynes	Tom Castilano	Patty McNeely Beamish
Margie Overcash, sister to	Dianne Duncan	Patti Dancoff
Marilyn Beaver		
Jim Hemphil		

Armed Forces

LTC David Dennison, Army	Sgt. Adam R. Loftin,USMC	LTJG Dylan Powell, USN
Major Ben Peacock, USAF	Maj. William Matheny, Army	LTC Rodney Tatum