

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF APRIL 10

Sunday, April 10	Palm Sunday Contemporary Service/Palm Procession Sunday School/First Kids Men's Bible Class Fellowship Time Sunday School Traditional Worship/Palm Procession MS PYF HS PYF Committee Meetings	143 Broad Room 301 & 309 Room 122 Fellowship Hall Classrooms Sanctuary Fellowship Hall/Classrooms Fellowship Hall/Classrooms Classrooms
Monday, April 11	Lost and Found Bible Study Circle 1 BSA Troop 166 – B BSA Troop 1166 – G	143 Broad 143 Broad Fellowship Hall Parlor
Tuesday, April 12	Preschool Egg Hunt and Party Circle 4 Circle 5 MCM Circles Cub Scouts Circle 3	143 Broad Parlor Kitchen/Room 300 & 301 Fellowship hall 143 Broad
Wednesday, April 13	Preschool Egg Hunt and Party Lenten Luncheon Service Wed. Night Together Dinner Bible Study w/Dave Lost and Found Bible Study	143 Broad 143 Broad 143 Broad 143 Broad
Thursday, April 14	Preschool Easter Break Maundy Thursday Dinner Maundy Thursday Service	Fellowship Hall 143 Broad
Friday, April 15	Good Friday - Preschool Easter Break	
Saturday, April 16	Men's Bible Study Easter Egg Hunt Easter Sunday	143 Broad
Sunday, April 17	Contemporary Service Sunday School Men's Bible Class Fellowship Time Sunday School Traditional Worship	143 Broad Room 301 & 309 Room 122 Fellowship Hall Classrooms Sanctuary

Midweek Lenten Luncheon Services - The church is hosting a luncheon service each week during lent from 12:20 until 1:10 pm. These services include music, a short message, and an opportunity to discuss the message over a meal. The seven-week study is looking at the life of the Apostle Peter in relationship to Jesus. You are invited to bring your own lunch or register for a box lunch each week on the church website. This week's lunch is from Big Tiny's BBQ. Cost is \$12.00 per meal.

Mission Needs: A small group from the church is going to Kenya and Tanzania on April 18 to meet with some of our mission partners. One aspect of the trip is to deliver sound equipment to David Waako, and to bring android devices and reading glasses to the school and clinic we will be visiting in Tanzania. If you have any Android phones or tablets or reading glasses that you would like to contribute, please connect with Jason Sentas or Nathaniel Sentas. (jason@mooresvillefpc.org, nathanielsentas@gmail.com)

LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

SESSION

David Rockness, Moderator	Mark Auten, Clerk
Class of 2022	Class of 2023
Phil Heilman	Mark Auten
Zach Miller	Chris Creech
Trent Newell	Ross Culp
Bill Omohundro	Lynda Robinson
Liz Rader	Scott Mauney
Mickey Russell	Sue Stevens

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The Rev. Dr. S. Edwin Lewis	The Rev. Dr. Frederick A. H. Coates
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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples

April 10, 2022 • 11:00 A.M. PALM SUNDAY

*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

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 ye 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 265: "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 good and gracious King! *Refrain*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Jason Sentas

*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.**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Houston Graham Brawley

HYMN 437: *Jesus Loves Me*

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.

PIANO SOLO

"Sing Praise" arr. by Marilynn Ham
Bethany Howard

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 6:10-17

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹² For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵ As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

SERMON *"Unity in Christ: Be Strong in the Lord"* Dave Rockness

*HYMN 595: *"They'll Know We Are Christians"*

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord. We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord. And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

Refrain

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love. Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand. We will walk with each other. We will walk hand in hand. *Refrain*

We will work with each other; we will work side by side. We will work with each other; we will work side by side. *Refrain*

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come. And all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son. *Refrain*

*INVITATION

Dave Rockness

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Greg Thompson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Anne Lowe, Winkie Powell, and Carolyn Morrow by Roy and Audry Harris.

Dale Brawley III "Tray" and Justine Brawley invite you to share in the joy and witness as their son, Houston Graham Brawley, receives the Sacrament of Baptism today. Houston's big brother is Avery Whitfield Brawley. Houston's grandparents are Donna and Dale Brawley, Jr. and Jeff and Robin Zeiders; great-grandfather is George Brawley, and godparents are Theresa and Justin Francis.

Are you a first time visitor? If so, please make sure to check-in at the welcome table in the church parlor after the service. We want to make sure you have the opportunity to connect and address any questions you may have about our church community

Palm Sunday Processional: All children and youth are encouraged to participate in the Palm Procession this morning at the contemporary and traditional worship services. Anyone who would like to be part of the processions should meet:

- In the coffee shop area of 143 Broad for 9:30 am contemporary service
- In the church parlor for 11:00 traditional service

Special note:

- Children will be dismissed to the nursery (preschool age) or to Children's Church (grades 1-5) following the procession in the contemporary service.
- Children will be dismissed to Sunday School classes following the procession in the traditional service.

Palm Sunday Coat Drive: Donated coats may be left in the church parlor or coffee shop area of 143 Broad prior to the worship services today. Just as the people of Jerusalem lined Jesus' path with their cloaks and palm branches for the triumphal entry, we will "lay down our coats for Jesus" during the procession. Coats will be donated to Mooresville Christian Mission.

Maundy Thursday Service and Prayer Vigil: As we head toward the resurrection, First Presbyterian Church is offering a Tenebrae service on Thursday, April 14 that starts at 6:30 p.m. with a meal in the Fellowship Hall and a service in 143 Broad. Meal costs are \$5 for adults, \$3 for children (4-12 years) and no charge for 4 years and under. The meal and service will be followed by an overnight prayer vigil. Participants in the prayer time can sign up for one hour of personal/family prayer by visiting website at mooresvillefpc.org and clicking on the Maundy Thursday button. This prayer can take place in the 143 Broad building where prayer stations will be setup or at home. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Jason at jason@mooresvillefpc.org

Easter Egg Hunt: Preschoolers through 5th graders are invited to our annual Easter Egg Hunt, scheduled for this Saturday, April 16 at 10:00 am. Activities will begin in the fellowship hall; children should bring their own Easter basket and a fresh flower for the Flower Cross. Reservations are required – go to www.mooresvillefpc.org to register for the event. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Donations of individually wrapped candy (small enough to fit into a 2" plastic egg) are welcomed and appreciated. Please leave candy in the basket in the church office by Tuesday, April 12.

Office closed: The office will be closed for the holiday, Easter Monday, April 18.

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

Alecia Miller	Billie Brawley	Kathleen Bates
Dot Nelson	Mary Mason	Peggy Rogers
Peggy Davidson		

Members of the Church

Gene Harris	Bill Harris	Amy Williams
Sheri Mack	Faye Wright	Fern Alexander
Lorra Lee Holshouser	Tom Trosuk	Rog and Greta McCrea
Marilyn Beaver & Family	Jeff Stonestreet	Jean Chislighi
Kim Streb & Family	Thomas Miller	Sheryl Davis
Dennis Winter	Joan Gibson Family	Adonna Dickerson Family

Friends of the Church

Baxley Hoover	Jacki Rullman	Patty McNeely Beamish
Cecilia Parker	Tom Castilano	Bill & Connie Kruse
Patti Dancoff	Cathy Moore	Sibyl Newton
Robb Parker	Al Daniel	Tillie Coyne
Jane Scovil	Reverend Richard Galbreath	Jim Maxwell
Rhonda Kendrick	Dr. Rachel Bonney	Joe Wilkinson

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Major Ben Peacock, USAF	Maj. William Matheny, Army	LTC Rodney Tatum