

April 14—Passion/Palm Sunday - children in processional
 April 15 —Lydia Project—Knitting; at Thalia's, 605 Southbridge Drive, Northfield, MN; 218-839-9314; 1:00 PM
 April 16—Finance, 6:30 PM
 April 16—Daisy Troup Fellowship Hall, 6:00 PM
 April 17—Choir 6:00 PM & Praise Band practice for Easter, 7:00 PM
 No Confirmation
 April 18—Holy Thursday, 7:00 PM
 April 19—Community Good Friday Service at FAUMC, Noon
 Service broadcast on KDHL (AM 920) at 3:00 PM

Prayer Chain—Contact **Carole Evans** at 507-210-6971 or e-mail her at caroleannjean@gmail.com with prayer needs and/or to join.

Next Week

April 21—Easter Service 9:00—children/adults sing
 April 27—UMW River Valley Dist. Spring Gathering—Owatonna UMC

Looking Ahead

April 28—Blessing of the Bikes & Bikers: 9:00 AM Service; 10:15 AM blessing outdoors; Lunch to follow
 **Note: Bikers will park their bikes in the East Parking lot. Handicapped spaces open as usual. All others please park on the street or in Government Center parking lot.
 April 30—SPRC, 6:30 PM

Parlor/Coffee Fellowship Hosts: *King's Cake*—Ronn Kotsmith, Donna Schuenke, Elaine Nagle
Ushers: Tom & Kim Bossmann; Don & Jeanne Michel
Greeters: Ronn Kotsmith & Donna Schuenke
Lay Reader: Sharon Nelson
Acolyte: Ella Prange
Musicians: Doug Madow—Piano/Guitar
 Kelly Shimmin—Drums
 Chris Schiffer — Bass
 Kelly Landsverk — Choir Director
Tech: Grant Lammin, Dale Hauptli, Nathan Ebert
Nursery: Care available for ages 3 & under—Kim Luedke

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Passion/ Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 14, 2019 at 9:00 AM

*Today's service is inherently dramatic, a day of contrasts.
 As you entered the worship space today,
 you were given a palm branch.
 Palm branches, symbolizing royalty and victory,
 were waved long ago making the way into Jerusalem
 for the One riding on a colt hailed as King and Messiah.
 The mystery of our faith is that Christ's Kingship and victory
 were revealed through His suffering and death on a cross.
 As we begin our Holy Week journey, the triumph of the palm
 waving parade is short lived as the darkness of Christ's passion
 overshadows the hollow excitement.*

We Gather to Praise God

PRELUDE

O God, this day your Son was greeted with a praise parade.
 By week's end, he was the recipient
 of a chorus of condemnation
 and a cruel, tortuous, humiliating death.
 As we begin this Holy Week journey together
 and walk the way of Christ's passion,
 so transform our hearts and lives.
 May we truly identify with Christ's suffering
 and taste his death so we may truly share
 in the promise and power of resurrection. Amen.

*GREETING & BLESSING OF THE PALMS

*JESUS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY Luke 19:28-40

Then the crowds spread out their coats on the road
 ahead of Jesus.

As they reached the place where the road started down
 from the Mount of Olives,

all of his followers began to shout and sing
as they walked along,
praising God for all the wonderful miracles they had seen.
**"Bless the King who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven and glory in highest heaven!"**

*PROCESSION WITH PALMS

"Hosanna, Hosanna"

*OPENING PRAYERS

ANTHEM

"Comes the King"

Choir

To Proclaim God's Word

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 50:4-9a Bible, **OT, p. 646**

A TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

MEDITATIONS ON THE PASSION

Between meditations, we will sing Jesus Remember Me.

**Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.**

1. Jesus Celebrates the Last Supper with His Disciples
2. Jesus Prays in the Garden
3. Jesus Is Betrayed by Judas
4. Jesus is Condemned by the Sanhedrin
5. Jesus is Denied by Peter
6. Jesus is Judged by Pilate
7. Jesus is Scourged and Crowned with Thorns
8. Jesus Carries His Cross
9. Simon Carries the Cross
10. Jesus Speaks to the Women of Jerusalem
11. Jesus Is Crucified
12. Jesus Speaks with the Criminals
13. Jesus Speaks to Mary and John
14. Jesus Dies on the Cross
15. Jesus Is Laid in the Tomb

To Respond in Faith

*HYMN *"The Old Rugged Cross"* UMH #504

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY *"Why"* Greg Ciesluk, *soloist*

*LENTEN DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

To Scatter to Serve

*HYMN *"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"* UMH #297

*BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

Leading us today in the *Meditations on the Passion* today are **Nick Goebel, Julie Schiffer, Shari VanDerVeen, Brenna VanDerVeen, Miles Schiffer, Wyatt Gehrke, Ken Harren, Samantha Gehrke, Robert Nelson, Ella Prange, Phyllis Wegner, Delon Musselman, Rod Mahler, Andrew Prange, Ronn Kotsmith**. Thank you for lending your voices and your prayerful preparation to help us pray on this holy day.

The **Noisy Coin Offering** totaled \$522.60. Thank you to all for supporting the Faribault Food Shelf..

On Passion/ Palm Sunday, We have purchased our palm fronds from EcoPalms.org. This supplier allows us to promote environmental and social justice as we celebrate our faith. These "fair-trade" Eco-palms are "sustainably" harvested and managed.

From Security Team: Doors from the parking lot & 4th Avenue will be locked after Sunday Worship service starts. North doors stay open.