

HOLY WEEK

Holy is the week...

Holy, consecrated, belonging to God...

**We move from hosannas to horror
with the predictable ease
of those who know not what they do.**

**Our hosannas sung,
our palms waved,**

let us go with passion into this week.

It is a time to curse fig trees that do not yield fruit.

It is a time to cleanse our temples of any blasphemy.

**It is a time to greet Jesus as the Lord's Anointed One,
to lavishly break our alabaster
and pour perfume out for him
without counting the cost.**

It is a time for preparation...

The time to give thanks and break bread is upon us.

The time to give thanks and drink of the cup is imminent.

Eat, drink, remember:

**On this night of nights, each one must ask,
as we dip our bread in the wine,
"Is it I?"**

**And on that darkest of days, each of us must stand
beneath the tree
and watch the dying
if we are to be there
when the stone is rolled away.**

**The only road to Easter morning
is through the unrelenting shadows of that Friday.
Only then will the alleluias be sung:
only then will the dancing begin.**



WELCOME VISITORS!

We are delighted to have you in our service this morning! Every Sunday, we are privileged to have people attending our church for the first time and we want you to feel welcome among us. **Please stop by the Welcome Center right after service. We have a special gift for you.**

PLEASE SIGN THE FELLOWSHIP BOOK found in the pews. We would like to know of your presence this morning. **PLEASE SHARE PRAYER JOYS/CONCERNS** on the Prayer card; they will be included in the Prayers of the People during the service, and added to the Prayer Chain.

A PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED IS AVAILABLE. WORSHIP BULLETINS FOR CHILDREN are available.

TAPES OF THIS SUNDAY'S SERMON are available. Contact the church office or Art Sattler.

If you are in need of **Pastoral Care** or know someone who is, please call Rev. Pat at the church (419-475-4436) or at her home (419-534-3739).

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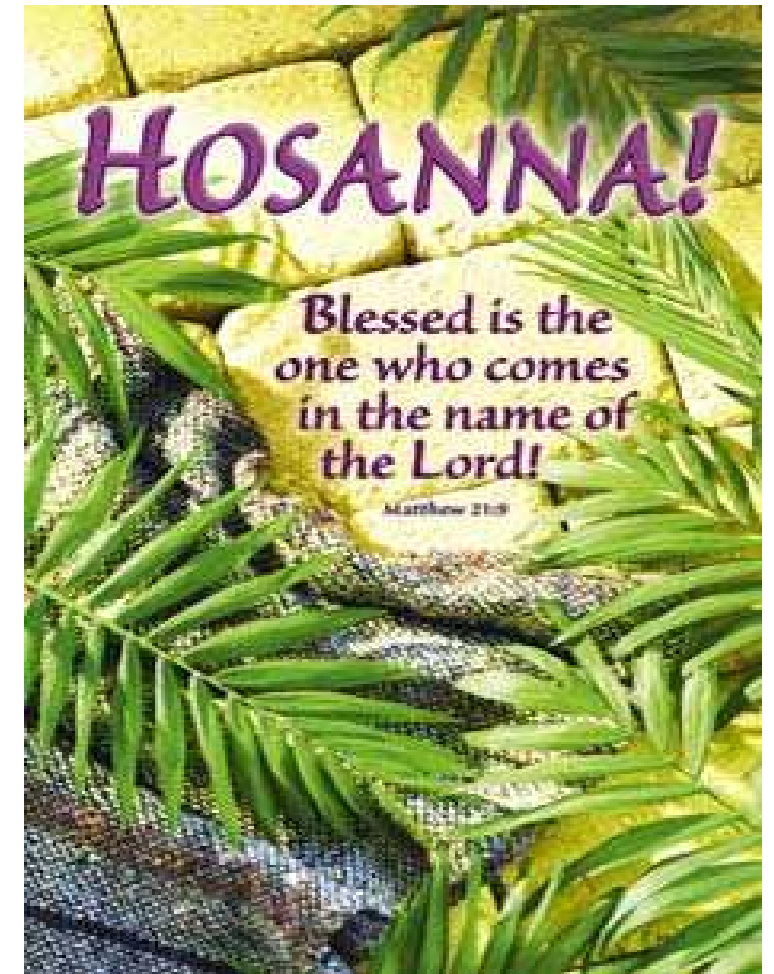
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March 16, 2008



10:00 AM



Welcome to worship with the Fairgreen family! The * symbol means, "All who are able, please stand." † indicates when latecomers may be seated.

Passion/Palm Sunday

PRELUDE

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE
The Liturgy of the Palms

WELCOME ~ Please sign fellowship book found in pews.
This is the day that the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

CALL TO WORSHIP Kay Amendola, Liturgist
Hosanna to the Son of David!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Anthem **"Ride On"** Geneva Choir

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH Rev. Pat
Matthew 21: 1-11

HYMN #88 "All Glory, Laud, And Honor"

*CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Pat

*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION
We praise you this day, O God, with singing and palm branches waving. We join with all creation and all God's people in praising your name!

We seek to follow Jesus in joyful service. Yet, it's much easier to just celebrate the good times: the parades, the healings, the teachings, the comforting hand; and ignore the tough times: the risk-taking that goes with a commitment to peace and justice, the risk-taking that follows Jesus to the cross. Forgive us, God, and fill us with the same passion of Jesus, your beloved Son and servant. We pray in his name. Amen.

Number who worshiped with us on March 9, 2008: 62
TODAY'S USHERS: Mike Roadruck, Capt./ Barb Roadruck, Marilyn McAfee, Linda Hoover
TODAY'S GREETER: Maud Pearson
NEXT SUNDAY'S USHERS: Ed Wolff, Capt./ Dan Yeager, John MacPherson, Sharon Durrant
NEXT SUNDAY'S GREETERS: Jackie & Kevin Campbell

The floral arrangement that graces the Sanctuary today was given by Mike & Barb Roadruck, "Rejoicing in the Celebration and Resurrection of our Lord and Savior".

Special Announcements

Lenten Soup Suppers ~ Join us on Maundy Thursday, March 20th for a simple soup supper at 6:30pm and worship at 7:15pm. Childcare will be provided. We ask that you bring your own table service.

Women's Choir Concert ~ You are invited on Wednesday, March 19 at 7:30pm to attend a concert by the Women's choirs of Bowling Green State University and Bowling Green High School at First Presbyterian Church at 126 S. Church St., in Bowling Green in their sanctuary.

Church Office Closed ~ The office will be closed on Monday, March 24th.

Food Pantry ~ Please bring any or all of the following items to help us bless those who come to the Food Pantry each week as the items listed here cannot be purchased by food assistance. They are: toilet paper, Kleenex, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, dish soap, and laundry detergent

Church Directory Update ~ Don & Cindy Kerr's New Address
6635 W. Bancroft Apt.#145-S
Toledo, Ohio 43615 phone # 419-720-7588

One Great Hour of Sharing ~ Next Sunday we will take a special offering for One Great Hour of Sharing.

Calendar for the Week of March 17-23, 2008

Monday, Mar. 17 ~ **No Adult Volleyball**
Personnel Committee Meeting 4pm in lounge

Tuesday, Mar. 18 ~ **Preschool Spring Program in Commons**

Wednesday, Mar. 19 ~ **Preschool Spring Program in Commons**
Memorial Meeting 11am in lounge
Caring Cupboard Carry out 4:30pm
Choir 6:30pm

Thursday, Mar. 20 ~ **Building & Grounds Meeting 7pm**
Maundy Thursday Soup Supper 6:30pm
Worship Service w/Communion by Intinction at 7:15pm

Friday, Mar. 21 ~ **Food Pantry 10-12pm**
Good Friday Service Noon at Pilgrim Church

Saturday, Mar. 22 ~ **Easter Vigil Service 7pm**

Sunday, Mar. 23 ~ **Sunrise Service 7am, Resurrection Worship Service 10:00am**

Sunday School 11:15am – 12:00pm

FOR ADULTS:

Bible Study.....In Lounge
Faith Sharing Bible Study.....In Library

FOR CHILDREN:

Nursery Room (birth – 4 yrs. old).....Rm.105
Kindergarten – 5th grade.....Room behind Sanctuary
6th – 8th grade.....Downstairs Junior High Room
9th – 12th grade.....Downstairs Senior High Room

Information for the Newsletter should be received by the 3rd Sunday of each month.

Visit **THE CARD TABLE** in the narthex to sign or request cards to remember members of the Fairgreen family. Are you in need of prayer? The **FAIRGREEN PRAYER CHAIN** is here for you. Call Leone Sattler at 419-474-1723 or Darlene in the church office at 419-475-4436 or indicate that you have a request for the Prayer Chain on your Prayer card.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

God understands how difficult it is to live as Jesus did.
 God forgives us and encourages us to turn our lives around and make this the first day of a new beginning.

Thanks be to God!

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #2080**

"All I Need Is You"

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

Kay Amendola

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise Him all creatures here below;
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

THE LITURGY OF THE PASSION

The Passion of Jesus: Based on Matthew 26: 14-27:66

Scene One: Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus

Based on Matthew 26: 14-16

Hymn #102 "Were you there when his friend betrayed his trust?"

(Sung to the tune ~ "Were You There?")

Scene Two: The Passover with the Disciples and the Lord's Supper

Based on Matthew 26: 17-30

Hymn ~ "Were you there when they shared the bread and wine?"

Scene Three: Jesus Prays in Gethsemane

Based on Matthew 26: 36-46

Hymn ~ "Were you there when he knelt and prayed to God?"

Anthem: "Go To Dark Gethsemane" by the Geneva Choir

Scene Four: The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus

Based on Matthew 26: 47-56

Hymn ~ "Were you there when his friends betrayed and fled?"

Scene Five: Trial and Peter's Denial

Based on Matthew 26: 57-75

Hymn ~ "Were you there when they sentenced him to death?"

Scene Six: Pilate Hands Jesus Over to Be Crucified

Based on Matthew 27: 1-26

Hymn ~ "Were you there when they screamed for him to die?"

Scene Seven: Jesus Is Crucified

Based on Matthew 27: 27-55

Hymn ~ "Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?"

Scene Eight: Jesus Is Buried

Based on Matthew 27: 62-66

Hymn ~ "Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?"

Reflection ~ Rev. Pat

Hymn ~ "Were you there when the women stayed and cried?"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayers of the People

A Version of the Lord's Prayer

Eternal Spirit

Earth-maker, Pain-Bearer, Life-giver,

Source of all that is and that shall be.

Father and Mother of us all,

Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain
our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

Form the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. Amen.

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

We have heard and seen and experienced the passion of our Lord.

We have followed him and witnessed his death.

Now let us hear and see and experience and follow Christ into our own lives.

We will follow.

And let us go, knowing that death could not contain him.

We go, knowing that joy and new life is to come.

Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE— SANCTUARY**

Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary

Pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living

Sanctuary for you. CCL#1025014

POSTLUDE

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

Maundy Thursday, March 20 ~ Simple supper 6:30pm and worship at 7:15pm

Ecumenical Good Friday Service, March 21 ~ Pilgrim Church on Sylvania at noon

Saturday, March 22 at 7pm Easter Vigil ~ A celebration of Light Word, Baptism and Communion

Sunrise Service ~ Easter Morning at 7am

Coffee Hour

Easter Service ~ 10am

Coffee Hour