

Order of Worship

March 25, 2018 — Palm Sunday

*Please stand ... in body or in spirit, as you are comfortable.

Bold words are spoken in unison

Bold Italics are words sung in unison

“A life without love isn’t a life.” ~ Rumi

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE BEGIN OUR WORSHIP

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

Ride on, Ride on in Majesty

Metzger

Jason Aquila, Organist

THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY John 12:12-13

ENTRANCE OF LIGHT OF CHRIST, a symbol of Jesus' presence

(Please follow the worship leaders, as you are able, in the processional, waving your palms and singing together)

*WE SING TOGETHER No. 216

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come with joy to greet our Savior!

Many: Hosanna, Come and Save Us, Lord!

One: We pause with doubt when trials come our way;

Many: Hosanna, Come and Save Us, Lord!

One: We turn our backs out of fear and self-preservation;

Many: Hosanna, Come and Save Us, Lord!

One: In all of our wavering, in faithfulness and faithlessness,

Many: Hosanna, Come and Save us, Lord!

Please Keep the Following People in Your Prayers

Lyda Dacek (friend of Marcia Powles)

Mary Kanzeg

The family of Pearl Wood

Bob Ebert (friend of many)

Anita Spaeta (cousin of Diane and Dave Kvasnicka)

Marisol Stokes (one of our cleaning persons)

John Derrick (friend of the Mealys)

The family of Connie Stover (former long-time member)

Konnie Wenneman

Paula Deal

Marilynn Wheeler (friend of Diane Schwing)

John Michelich

Pamela Bloomingdale (niece of Konnie Wenneman)

Bob Patzwahl

Carol Adams

Marge Hall

Paulette Taylor (friend of Jane Huml)

Nola Branch

Chuck Hughes

Karen Farmer

Chuck Zaugg

Jim Gartner (son of Ruth Gartner)

Gail Rattray and son Brian (relatives of Sandy Evans)

Andy Bischof

Nola Branch

Steve Kneale (son of Jane Huml)

Katie Gartner (granddaughter of Ruth Gartner)

Joyce Droescher

Jane Huml

Duncan Simpson (grandson of Carole Adams)

Julie Simpson (daughter of Carole Adams)

Megan Moran

Jeremy Steinbrick (grandson of Andy & Jan Bischof)

Jon Fields (friend of Chuck & Carol Mealy)

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

Today, March 25

Palm Sunday
Welcome Pastor Brooke!

Monday, March 26

Yoga, 11:15 a.m.
Consistory 7:15 p.m.

Tuesday, March 27

Quilters 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, March 28

Carillon Bell Choir, 7 p.m.
Chancel Choir, 8 p.m.

Thursday, March 29

Maundy Thursday Service,
7 p.m.

Sunday, April 1

Easter Sunday!
A Blessed Easter to all!

THURSDAY EVENING GATHERING The next Thursday evening dinner will be April 19 at 5 p.m. at the Berea Union Depot Tavern (formerly known as The Depot and, before that, Pufferbelly), 30 Depot Street in Berea. Sign up in the Gathering Room for this festive evening!

YOGA CLASS Yoga classes meet Mondays from 11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE: CONGREGATIONAL MEETING MAY 6 right after worship to vote on the Constitution and Bylaws.

MESSAGE CLASS FOR BEGINNERS Our own Albert Svette will be hosting a Massage Class for Beginners. **ORIENTATION CLASS SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 10 A.M.** in the Fellowship Hall. Learn quick 5-minute stress relief techniques; techniques for giving a massage without getting tired; stay fully clothed and comfortably seated; no special equipment or massage oil. See Albert with questions. Don't miss this opportunity!

PASTOR BOB RICHARDSON MEETINGS The final opportunity to meet with the Rev. Bob Richardson is Sunday, April 8, from 3-6 p.m. Contact Bob to schedule a time: brich948@gmail.com; (234) 706-5322 or cell at (484) 597-0173.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE Join us for a meaningful Maundy Thursday service at 7 p.m. March 29. See you Easter Sunday, April 1, at 10:30 a.m. as we celebrate the risen Christ!

WE LISTEN FOR OUR STILL-SPEAKING GOD

SPECIAL ANTHEM FROM OUR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Cloaks and Branches

(Following these moments, our children recess to their Sunday Morning Program. Our nursery is available for infants, and there is a lounge opposite the sanctuary where the service may be heard. You may wish to join in blessing the children as they go by singing:)

Go now in peace; go now in peace.

***May the love of God surround you
ev'-ry-where, ev'-ry-where you ... may ... go.***

MESSAGE FROM OUR SCRIPTURE

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29, p. 554

Our God is still speaking:

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHANCEL CHOIR

Hosanna, Hosanna!

Martin/Williams

Carol Peddie, Director

Leslie Patzwahl, Flute

MESSAGE FROM THE GOSPEL

Mark 11:1-11, p. 922

MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Here Comes Love

Pastor R. Brooke Baker

Interim Pastor for Worship & Pastoral Care

WE RESPOND TO OUR STILL-SPEAKING GOD

THE PASTOR'S PRAYER

WE PRAY TOGETHER THE PRAYER JESUS TAUGHT US

**Our Father (God), 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.**

WE OFFER OUR LIVES AND GIFTS IN GRATITUDE TO GOD

Invitation and Offering

When you have no words,
When you cannot find your voice,
God approaches.
Let us reach out to our God.
Let us give our gifts.

Offertory Music

Jerusalem
Parry
Jason Aquila, Organist

*WE SING OUR SONG OF PRAISE No. 780

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done:
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.***

*WE DEDICATE OUR LIVES AND GIFTS

Let us pray together:

**O Holy One,
Bless these gifts
So that the world may know your love. Amen.**

*WE SING TOGETHER No. 213

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

THE PASTOR OFFERS FINAL WORDS AND A BLESSING

CHORAL RESPONSE

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

All Glory, Laud and Honor

Kaufmann

Jason Aquila, Organist

DEPART TO BE THE LOVE OF GOD IN THE WORLD

SPECIAL THANKS THIS MORNING:

Liturgist: Julie Barnes

Acolytes: Andrew and Elizabeth Hille

Flowers: Today's altar flowers and bulletins are sponsored by Julie Barnes in celebration of Zachary's 13th birthday.

*Call to Worship from rev-o-lution.org, 2015, March 20.
Call to offering and offering response adapted from
UCC Worship Ways.*

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