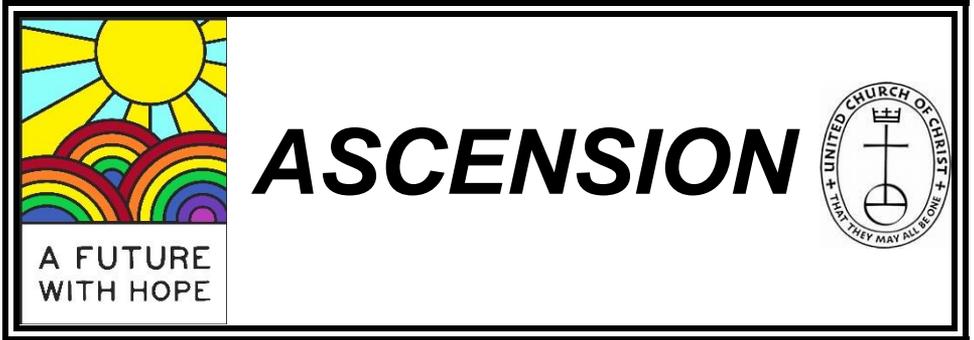


“Whoever you are...wherever you are on life’s journey,
you are welcome here.”

God is Still Speaking



An Open and Affirming Congregation

April 10, 2022 *Palm/Passion Sunday* **11:00 AM**

Blessed is the
one who comes
in the name
of the **LORD.**

Psalm 118.26



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Palm/Passion Sunday

Order of Worship

PRELUDE

“Praise to He Who Comes” (Jacobsen)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

RECEIVING THE LIGHT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Not only the sins of the high and mighty, of priest and palace, but the sins of the populace, common people like you and me, sent Jesus to the cross.

People: Ordinary people like us shouted “Hosanna,” and then, later, “Crucify him!”

Leader: For only those who know love can betray love; only those who have heard truth can choose to deny it.

People: Yet we are not without hope, for Jesus’ faithfulness was stronger than our betrayal, and his forgiveness greater than our guilt.

Leader: Let us sing and celebrate; let us worship and give thanks to the God of grace.

GATHERING HYMN

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” *Glory to God 196*

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, most of us are not spectacular but ordinary sinners. We see ourselves as basically "good" people, for we do not brazenly swindle, blatantly lie, or willfully kill. But we confess that in everyday life we are prone to manipulating persons and situations for our advantage, altering the truth to suit our purposes, or destroying another's reputation by our gossip. We use words and commit acts, which do not contribute to kindness and fairness, to healing and wholeness. Forgive us, we pray, the sins we confess and also the sins we hide, known to you alone.

silent prayer of confession

Leader: Create in me a clean heart, O God,
People: and put a new and right spirit within me.
Leader: O Lord, open my lips,
People: and my mouth will declare your praise.

“Spirit, Open My Heart” *Verse 1* *Glory to God 692*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Though we betray him, even curse him, like Peter, yet in love Christ comes to save us.
People: From the cross, Jesus proclaims forgiveness of sins to us and to the whole world.
Leader: All who believe his words are set free from the pain of the past.
People: Hosanna! Glory to Jesus!

“O How Shall I Receive You” *Verses 1&2 TNCH 102*

Gospel Lesson Luke 19:28-40

“O How Shall I Receive You” *Verses 3&4 TNCH 102*

Hebrew Lesson Isaiah 50:4-9a

Leader: Holy Wisdom

People: Holy Word

THE SERMON

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Philippians 2:5-11

Leader: Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.

All: Who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
THE 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.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

THE OFFERING OF OUR TITHES & OURSELVES

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of grace, as we follow Christ's footsteps toward Calvary, we are also aware of the steps of those disciples who ran away in fear. Having confessed our denials and been blessed with forgiveness, we now offer ourselves anew for the mission of the gospel of Jesus Christ in the world. Receive our giving and strengthen us for service, we pray. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!” *Glory to God 198*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

“His Love Endures Forever” (Seitz)

*The Palms are given to the Glory of God,
in memory of the faith and testimony of
Samuel K. & Anna E. Fryer
and to the glory of the resurrected Savior,
whom they served,
by their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.*

April Birthdays

4/10-4/16/2022

Nicholas Cressman, Kelly Snyder (10)

April Anniversaries

4/10-4/16/2022

Jack & Ginny Hale (10)



We welcome you to our Community of Faith. We pray that God will speak to you during this worship experience. If you have need of pastoral assistance, we encourage you to contact Pastor Dwayne at the church office number listed below or make an appointment with him today.

We welcome children in worship at all times. If you would prefer, childcare is available. Please see one of our ushers. Children's bulletins and crayons are available from the ushers.

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