

Palm Sunday

A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day

Sixth Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 24, 2024

8:30 & 10:45 am

† *Indicates a time to stand, if you are able*

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Children and youth are invited to gather in the Sanctuary Hallway,
to take part in the Palm Sunday Procession during the Processional Hymns...*

THE PRELUDE

“A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth” ~arr. James Mansfield

† **CALL to WORSHIP** *(responsively)*

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His steadfast love endures forever!

Hosanna to God, hosanna in the highest!

Let Israel say, “His love endures forever!”

And all who fear God say, “His love endures forever!”

Hosanna to God, hosanna in the highest!

With the Lord on our side, what can we fear? What can the world do?

Hosanna to God, hosanna in the highest!

We shall triumph over those who surround us,
and we shall stand in confidence in the Lord!

Hosanna to God, hosanna in the highest!

The Lord is our strength and our might!

The Lord has become our salvation!

Hosanna to God, hosanna in the highest!

† **PROCESSIONAL HYMN** *“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”* **UMH 277**

† **PROCESSIONAL HYMN** *“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”* **UMH 278**

†**OPENING PRAYER for PEACE** (*unison*)

Most merciful God, whose Son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way, yet without sin, we confess before You that we have sinned. We all have hungered after that which does not satisfy, we have compromised with evil, and we have doubted Your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such love and trust that we may walk in Your ways, and that we may delight in doing Your will. Hear us now as we silently pray for peace in our world and in our lives...

†**SILENT PRAYERS for PEACE**

†**WORDS of ASSURANCE**

†**SHARING the PEACE of CHRIST**

†**GLORIA PATRI** ~means “Glory be to the Father” (*sung in unison*) **UMH 70**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost!

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end! Amen! Amen!*

A READING from the OLD TESTAMENT

Zechariah 9:9-10 NIV

A READING from the GOSPELS

Matthew 21:1-11 NIV

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

MINISTRY in MUSIC

Chancel and Halo Choirs

“Sing Out Hosanna to the Lord” ~arr. Patrick Liebergen

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

MINISTRY in MUSIC

Fred Pershing and Tom Watkins, duet

“The Holy City” ~Michael Maybrick; arr. Terry Lasut

PASTORAL and the LORD’S PRAYER (*unison*)

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,

for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen!

†**HYMN of PRAYER** *“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”* **UMH 298**

A READING from the GOSPELS

Mark 5:24b-34 NIV

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Kevin Haley

“If I Can Just Touch His Robe...”

Lenten worship theme: “The Touch of Jesus”

SHARING HIS TITHES and OUR GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY

“O Jesus, King Most Wonderful” ~arr. Dale Wood

†**THE DOXOLOGY** ~means “Praise be to God” (*sung in unison*)

UMH 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Praise God all creatures here below! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

†**PRAYER of DEDICATION**

†**HYMN of COMMITMENT** **“All Glory, Laud and Honor”** **UMH 280**

†**DISMISSAL with BLESSING**

†**THE POSTLUDE** **“Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!”** ~arr. H. Alexander Matthews

†**GOING FORTH to SERVE**

LITURGIST: Jim Swank

ACOLYTE: Ethan Miller

TECH TEAM: Nevaeh Hirst, Cheyanne Miller

FLUTE: Mary Heberling

DRUM: Ryan Messer

The Chancel Flowers are given by Ed, Robin, and Lisa Meadows,
to the Glory of God and in loving memory of **Susan Meadows**.

Welcome home to First United Methodist Church!

Sunday morning Worship Services at 8:30 and 10:45 in the Sanctuary

(Livestream worship continues at 10:45)

We are glad that you are with us in worship today! Greensburg:First is a church where you can come to learn that God loves you just the way you are, but that God also loves you too much to let you stay this way. God wants you to become more like Jesus! If you do not have a church home of your own, we hope that you might prayerfully consider becoming a part of our church family, as we reach out with love and in the name of Jesus Christ! **Also, please help us get to know you, or to be able to contact you in the case of an emergency/cancellation, by filling out a Welcome Information Card** (inserted in this bulletin).



Bible Study w/ Pastor Kevin Tuesdays ~ 9:30am ~ Library

Jesus sums up the entire Biblical message like this:

*"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
all your soul, all your strength, and with all your mind;
and love your neighbor as yourself" (Luke 10:27)*

But, what does that love look like where we live? Where we work? The people we do life with everyday? This Bible study will help us live a life that is modeled after the example of Jesus Christ: developing a pattern of prayer, relating to others, establishing holy priorities, and a host of day-to-day issues that, all together, make up what Jesus called the abundant life.

March 26 ~ The Sermon on the Plain

April 2 ~ Jesus & the Disciples

April 9 ~ Prayer

April 16 ~ Following Jesus

April 23 ~ Jesus in Jerusalem

Let's be safe... Please consult the three local news networks for **Greensburg FUMC**, or check our church Facebook page at **First United Methodist Church-Greensburg** to check for cancellations of any of our services due to weather.

Weekday office hours & activity cancellations... If Greensburg Salem school district ever cancels school because of snow or ice, the church office hours and all activities would also be cancelled.

Find us on FACEBOOK:

First United Methodist Church—Greensburg

Regular Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8am-4pm

*(may change without notice... thank you
for your understanding & patience)*

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