

First Mennonite Church, Hillsboro

Holy Week

March 25 – April 1, 2018

Palm Sunday Worship Service - 10:35 a.m.

Wednesday – Travelers looking for Jesus! – 6:15 p.m.

Good Friday – Written reflections for home use will be provided

Easter Sunday

Sunrise Service – **6:45 a.m.**

Mike and Carolyn Kleiber home

Brunch in FMC Fellowship Hall – **9 a.m.**

(please bring breakfast breads and fruit, cut and ready to serve)

FMC Easter Celebration Worship Service – **10 a.m.**

All are welcome!

Mark 11:1-11

11 When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples ² and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³ If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” ⁴ They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵ some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” ⁶ They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷ Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸ Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹ Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

“Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

¹⁰ Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

¹¹ Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.



FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

In Christ -
Making Disciples through
Loving Relationships.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:35 a.m.

March 25, 2018

PALM SUNDAY

Gathering Music Laurel & Ethan Koerner
Welcome & Announcements Pastor Susan
*Call to Worship Laurel Koerner

Come, people of God!

This is the day that the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

This is the day Jesus enters Jerusalem!

Open the gates of Jerusalem

so that we, too, can enter and give thanks to the Lord!

Open the way for our leader and King to honored!

The gates are open, you may come in. May God's reign begin!

Song of Welcome as Jesus enters Jerusalem Laurel & Ethan

Make Way

(Palms handed out at the front. Shoes may be left at front)

Scripture Mark 11:1-10 Laurel Koerner

*Song of Praise All Glory, Laud and Honor No. 237

(vss. 1, 2, and 5 – wave branches on refrain)

Children's Story (and collection of coins) Erin Unruh

Song of Meditation Laurel & Ethan

My God, How Wonderful You Are F. W. Faber

Prayer Song In Christ Alone Grey Sgbk 66

Sharing and Prayer Pastor Susan

Offering Laurel & Ethan

Scripture Mark 11:1-11 Laurel Koerner

Message Pastor Susan

Confession: Pastor Susan

Jesus, Messiah. We crowd around like the others.

One moment we are clay in your hands, ready to be shaped.

The next moment we squeeze you, like putty in a clenched fist.

We demand that you conform to our needs.

The time is ripe for change, we see that.

But your way of change is hard to understand.

The way you lead us frightens us.

Forgive us for our questioning hearts.

Forgive us for fearing the crowds around us.

Open our eyes and hearts to receive your teaching.

Show us again this new way of living, this new reign of God.

Song of Response What wondrous love is this

No. 530

Benediction

Pastor Susan

WELCOME TO ALL who are worshiping with us this morning!

YOU ARE INVITED to bring **LILIES** to the Fellowship Hall during Holy Week. If your lily is given in honor of a special person *notify Becky in the FMC office by 9 a.m. Friday morning.* Thank you!

HOLY WEEK EVENT: Wednesday evening, March 28, all are invited to participate as “travelers looking for Jesus.” Guides will point the way to spaces throughout the church representing places Jesus might have been. Children (with their props and costumes) will meet travelers at 5 “show and tell” locations. Come and See!

This event begins at 6:15 p.m. as we gather in Fellowship Hall for instructions.

When summoned, begin your journey with 5 other travelers – groups leaving every 5 minutes.

Enjoy “faspá” in the Fellowship Hall.

Come prepared to find Jesus and a few of his friends quietly sharing their last supper together.

WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES CONTINUE. Come enjoy food and fellowship at 6:15 p.m. Children and Youth have age-grouped activities which begin at 6:45 p.m. Adults will meet at 7 p.m. for the following adult topics:

March 28 – 6:15 “Travelers looking for Jesus”

April 4 – 6:15 p.m. meal and activities 7 p.m. Peppernut idea

April 11 – 6:15 p.m. LAST MEAL AND ACTIVITIES

Nether Consort, April 5 at 7 p.m. - Join us for a free concert by Nether Consort in the lobby of the Shari Flaming Center for the Arts. This is sure to be an evening of fun music from the Renaissance and Middle Ages.

Diane Bish, April 10 at 7:30 p.m. - Tabor Arts welcomes internationally known, Diane Bish, for its inaugural organ concert in Richert Auditorium. The "Joy of Music" creator will be on campus for one evening to share her talent. Tickets are on sale at tabor.edu/events or by calling [\(620\) 947-3121 ext. 1033](tel:(620)947-3121).

“Keep on Keeping On”, a women’s Bible study of Nehemiah is being offered Tuesdays at 12:30, beginning April 10. The 10-week study will meet at First Mennonite Church. If interested, contact Nadine Friesen at stillfriesen@gmail.com or 947-5696.

AMONG OUR FRIENDS

Thanks to our wonderful church community for your love and support these 40+ years of our time there. Thank you for your kind words and a great evening of sharing on the Wednesday night. Thanks to those who came to help on Saturday, those who prepared and served a delicious meal and those who stopped by to say goodbye. We were blessed by all of you and will miss you greatly. Please stop by on your way west on HWY 50 or 56 or just drive down to see us.

New home phone is [620-233-6081](tel:620-233-6081). Will send email address soon.

Marvin and Elfrieda Funk

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Today: Ethan Koerner

Wednesday: Katherine Hamm

Thursday: Marvin & Elfrieda Funk

Friday: Robin Ottoson

Saturday: Maura Wiebe, Jackie Gage

CALENDAR

March 28 6:15 p.m. “Travelers looking for Jesus”

April 1 6:45 a.m. Sunrise Service

9 a.m. Breakfast

10 a.m. Worship Service

April 4 Wednesday eve meal and activities

April 4 8 p.m. Care

April 5 7 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting

April 5 7:30 p.m. Worship

April 11 6:15 p.m. LAST MEAL & ACTIVITES

April 13-14 MCC Relief Sale in Hutchinson, Kansas

April 19 7 p.m. Ministries Council Meeting

