

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Palm Sunday April 14, 2019

#### **GATHERING**

WELCOME Dr. Steve Eason

INTROIT My Song Is Love Unknown John Ireland

Jack Francis, tenor

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made. **People:** Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

\* HYMN OF PRAISE #88 All Glory, Laud, and Honor VALET, WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Rev. Rachel Hamburger

O King of glory, you rode a donkey and came in peace, humbled yourself and gave yourself for us. As you entered Jerusalem, the crowds shouted, "Hosanna, save us now!" On Good Friday they shouted, "Crucify!" We confess that we often find ourselves in that very crowd, so blind to who you are. Yet for our sin, Lord Jesus, you died. And for our restoration, you rose again. Draw us closer to you in this holy week, that our eyes may catch the vision of your tears, and our hearts, the wonder of your redeeming grace. All praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! Amen.

- \* ASSURANCE OF PARDON
- \* ACT OF PRAISE #85, vs. 1 (Congregation sings.)

WONDROUS LOVE

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the heavy cross for my soul!

## \* PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(During flu season, you are welcome to touch elbows!)

#### THE WORD

ANTHEM (11:00) Look Who's Coming! Michael Bedford

Joyful Praise Choir and Jacob Forster, French horn

Jubilate Deo Michael Jothen

Joyful Noise Choir

(Following the Anthem, children age four through first grade meet their greeters for Children & Worship. Children should be picked up below the Sanctuary after the service.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (8:30) Richard Swan

(11:00) Jerome Melson

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Pew Bible, p. 565

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

SOLO (8:30) I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked Geoffrey O'Hara

Jack Francis, tenor

ANTHEM (11:00) When I Survey the Wondrous Cross arr. Gilbert Martin

SHPC Chancel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT Luke 19:28-40 Pew Bible, p. 83

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

SERMON "A Holy Week" Dr. Steve Eason

HYMN #322 (seated) Spirit of the Living God LIVING GOD

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

# RESPONDING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Mark Lampley

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 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.

THE OFFERING

Attendance registers are in the pews, next to the center aisle.

OFFERTORY (8:30) All Glory, Laud, and Honor, Setting II arr. Paul Manz Eunsuk Jung, organ

(11:00) I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked Geoffrey O'Hara Jack Francis, tenor

\* DOXOLOGY (Congregation sings.)

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

RECEPTION OF CONFIRMATION CLASS (11:00)

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **SENDING**

\* HYMN OF DEDICATION #78 Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed MARTYRDOM

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE All Glory, Laud, and Honor, Setting III arr. Paul Manz

Prayer is available after worship at the front of the Sanctuary.

Large-print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals, and assisted-listening devices (Bluetooth and t-coil compatible) are available upon request.

Lightweight shawls are hanging on the coat rack for anyone who would like a little extra warmth.

Ushers are available to assist you with these items. Please let us know how we can further assist you.

If you feel the Spirit of God moving you to affirm your faith in Jesus, please speak to a pastor following the Service or contact one this week at the church.

May applause resound in our hearts as we ascribe to the Lord the glory of His Name!

\* Please stand if you are able.

#### **CALENDAR**

## **TODAY**

8:30 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

9:30 A.M. - Confirmation Breakfast (Barron Hall)

Blood Pressure Checks (Reception Room)

Sunday School (see CE brochure)

10:30 A.M. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

11:00 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

12:15 P.M. - Congregational Life Meeting (Fowler Conference Room)

3:00 P.M. - Community Easter Egg Hunt (Front Lawn)

## **MONDAY**

10:00 A.M. - Staff Meeting (Fowler Conference Room)

Stretch/Balance/Strength Exercise Class (The Loft)

11:15 A.M. - Yoga Class (The Loft)

## **TUESDAY**

9:00 A.M. - FISH (Barron Hall)

6:00 P.M. - Disciple Group IV (The Loft)

## WEDNESDAY

10:30 A.M. - Wednesday Bible Study (Fowler Conference Room)

7:00 P.M. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

## **THURSDAY**

10:00 A.M. - Stretch/Balance/Strength Exercise Class (The Loft)

11:15 A.M. - Yoga Class (The Loft)

5:15 P.M. - Maundy Thursday Dinner (Barron Hall)

6:15 P.M. - Maundy Thursday Worship Service (Sanctuary)

## **FRIDAY**

7:00 A.M. - Men's Bible Studies (various locations)

9:30 A.M. - Beginner's Tai Chi (Barron Hall)

10:00 A.M. - Tai Chi (Barron Hall)

12:00 P.M. - Good Friday Worship Service (Chapel)

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ARE YOU A VISITOR WITH US TODAY?** We are delighted that you are here. If you would like more information about Sequoyah Hills Presbyterian Church, please speak to an usher or visit our website at www.sequoyahchurch.org.

**PRINTED COPIES OF PREVIOUS SERMONS** are available in the back of the Sanctuary and in the church office. Sermons and recorded Worship Services are available on the church website under the Sermons & Media tab.

**WE CELEBRATE TODAY**, during the 11:00 Worship Service, the reception of our Confirmation Class into the membership of Sequoyah Church. Being received by Profession of Faith are Emma Cooley, Virginia Downing, Jackson Lewis, John Wilkerson, Luke Cheadle, and Graham Kuester. Being received by Profession of Faith and Baptism is Jackson Jones.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS today at 9:30 A.M. and noon in the Reception Room.

THE COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT is today from 3:00 until 5:00 P.M. on the

front lawn. All children through third grade should bring a parent and a basket with twelve plastic eggs filled with age-appropriate, nut-free candy or treats. The event will be canceled if it rains.

**EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES INCLUDE** the Easter Sunrise Service at 6:45 A.M. at Hunter Valley Farm and the 8:30 and 11:00 Worship Services in the Sanctuary. Butterflies will be released at 10:30 by the cross on the front lawn.

**SIGN-UP TO HELP WITH THE KARM DINNER** on Sunday, April 28. Registration is available in the narthex beginning today. Help is needed in these three areas: Dinner preparation and cooking, dining room table set-up and beverage prep, and servers for residents and community guests. All volunteers going to KARM during the same time slots are welcome to carpool; otherwise there should be ample parking under the Interstate downtown.

**EASTER LILIES:** If you would like to place a lily (\$20) in the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday in memory or in honor of a loved one, please contact the church office by tomorrow.

**FISH ITEMS NEEDED FOR TUESDAY** include shampoo, dishwashing liquid, and toilet paper. Contact Kim Zirkle at squeeze84@comcast.net or 805-4232 if you can help deliver food to those in need.

IN AN EFFORT TO BE GOOD STEWARDS of both our finances and environment, the Tower will be distributed by email. If you do not have a current email address, you will receive your Tower via U.S. post. If you are unable to receive the Tower via your email on file, there will be hard copies available for you to pick up in the office. Please email rguyton@sequoyahchurch.org with any email address changes, updates, or additions Thank you for your support and help as we take care of that which has been given to us.

**THE STRETCH, BALANCE, AND STRENGTHENING CLASS** meets on Mondays and Thursdays from 10:00 until 11:00 A.M. in The Loft.

THE YOGA CLASS meets on Mondays and Thursdays at 11:15 A.M. in The Loft.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP** resumes on April 24. Following the dinner at 5:15 P.M., there will be an open brainstorming time from 6:15-7:00 P.M. in Barron Hall. You are warmly invited to come to hear ideas or give feedback on how we can continue to make WNF a place of fellowship, faith formation, and outreach in the life of the church. Short surveys about WNF are also available around the church, and the Congregational Life Team would welcome your input.

**THE FIRST COMMUNION CLASS** is Wednesday, April 24, at 6:15 P.M. in the Sanctuary. All children in second through fifth grades are welcome to attend. Email memorris@sequoyahchurch.org to register.

**JOY FELLOWSHIP** (55+) is planning a trip to drive the new Wears Valley Extension of the Foothills Parkway with the bus leaving at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, April 24. Lunch will be at the Monte Real Grill in Townsend. The cost for lunch is \$15. Call the church office to register.

**MOVIE ON THE LAWN** is Friday, April 26, at 8:00 P.M. You are invited to come watch *The Muppet Movie* and enjoy fresh-popped popcorn. Be sure to bring a blanket and drinks for the family. In the event of rain, the movie will be shown in the Media Room.

**HABITAT:** Thank you to everyone who volunteered for Blitz days. Volunteers are still needed on April 27 and May 4. Register online using the link on the main page of the church website.

**THE MONDAY MOVIE MATINEE** is scheduled for April 29 at 3:00 P.M. This month's movie is "Green Book" starring Viggo Mortensen and Mahershala Ali.

**THE DEACONS OF SEQUOYAH HILLS** are calling every member of the church between now and Easter simply to find out where you are in life and how you are doing. We hope you will take this call. Just hearing from you will be invaluable.

**JOIN AN ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS:** (1) Chapel – Acts, (2) Room 232 – Book of John, (3) Spitzer Room 322 – *Path to the Cross* by Ray Vander Laan, (4) Spitzer Room 320 – 2 Peter, (5) Spitzer Room 319 - study of scripture for sermon, and (6) Spitzer Room 317 – Life of Jesus through Gospels. You can attend any class at any time.

**DELICIOUS, HEALTH-ENHANCING HOLY LAND OLIVE OIL** is available for purchase. The oil, produced by Palestinian farmers, is extra virgin, certified organic, and fair trade. The oil (\$15 per 500ml bottle or \$168 for twelve bottles) is available by contacting Sherry Shepherd at 621-5073 or chshepherd4@aol.com or at The Village Exchange.

**AFTER EACH WORSHIP SERVICE** two members of our Lay Prayer Team are available at the front of the Sanctuary to pray with and for you. ". . . pray for one another, so that you may be healed." James 5:16

**THIS SUNDAY'S VOLUNTEERS:** Greeter – Robyn Doiron, Ushers – Ned Babb, Joe Bruner, Sandy Gillespie, Beau Hannifin, Lee Hyde, Vance Link, Jim Mitchell, Jerry Sinclair, Judd Spitzer, and Beth Sterchi. March Flowers – Denise Anderson, Kathryn Callaway, Ellyn Cauble, Gail Grossman, Cathy Henry, Florence Johnston, Courtney Lee, Judy Luttrell, Wendy Matthews, and Tamara Warner.

IN THE NURSING HOMES AND ASSISTED-LIVING CENTERS: Arbor Terrace – Donna Stevens; Avenir Memory Care – Barbara Knoph; Elmcroft – Mamie Vohs; NHC Farragut – Barbara Patterson; Northshore Senior Living – Phyllis Marks; Park Place of West Knoxville – Jim Patteson; Westmoreland – Betty Benson and Pat Gray.



Dr. Steve Eason, Interim Pastor
Rev. Mark Lampley, Associate Pastor
Rev. Rachel Hamburger, Associate Pastor
Andrew Skoog, Director of Music
Dr. Eunsuk Jung, Organist/Pianist
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HOI	Y	WEEK	SERVI	CES

- April 17 No Wednesday Night Fellowship
- April 18 **Maundy Thursday Dinner\*** 5:15 P.M. Barron Hall **Maundy Thursday Service** 6:15 P.M. Sanctuary
- April 19 Good Friday Worship 12:00 P.M. Chapel
- April 21 Easter Sunrise Service 6:45 A.M. Hunter Valley Farm
  Easter Worship with Choir 8:30 A.M. Sanctuary
  Sunday School 9:30 A.M.
  Releasing of the Butterflies 10:30 A.M. Front Lawn
  Easter Worship with Choir 11:00 A.M. Sanctuary

\*RSVP appreciated

