

SPECIAL MUSIC (8:30)

“Lead Me to the Cross” Brooke Fraser
Pastor Zac Wolfe, vocal; Karen Larvick, piano

ANTHEM (10:45) *“In the Name of the Lord”* Mary McDonald

GOSPEL READING Mark 14:1-11

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *“First Comes the Dying”* Pastor Barry Williams

THE THANKSGIVING

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from *Philippians 2:5-11*)

Christ Jesus, 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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,

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.

SHARING OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* Michael Burkhardt

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

HYMN #101

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” (verses 1-3) Hamburg

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE *“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”*

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.

*POSTLUDE

Toccata on All Glory, Laud, and Honor Michael Burkhardt

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mark 11:1-11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples 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. If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!” 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.

Mark 14:1-11

It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said, “Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.” While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger, “Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor.” And they scolded her. But Jesus said, “Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.” Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

Interim Pastor: Barry Williams
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Secretary: Diane Keevil
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Called to Discipleship: All Members

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Palm Sunday/ Passion Sunday



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GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Ellacombe* James Pethel
Jimmy Kay Sanders, organist

INTROIT (10:45)
"Come, Christians, Join to Sing" Craig Courtney
Chancel Choir, Dr. Natasia Sexton, Director

ENTERING OF WORD AND LIGHT

THE GATHERING

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O Lord, open to us the gates of righteousness so that we may enter them, and give you praise.

People: We will give thanks to you, for you hear our prayer, and you have become our salvation.

Leader: Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord's name.
We bless your name from the sanctuary!

**People: Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.**

* OPENING PRAYER - Reading of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem according to Matthew.

* PROCESSION OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WITH PALMS

* HYMN #8 "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" Truro

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

Merciful God, as we enter this Holy Week, solemnly gathering at your house of prayer, we turn our hearts toward Jerusalem, to the peace demonstrated for us and offered to us in the words and deeds, in the suffering and death, of Jesus, your anointed One.

Forgive our stubborn resistance to his work and witness; impel us by your Spirit to follow in his way, until we enter with him into the city not made by human hands, the new Jerusalem, eternal in the heavens, where we shall ever live to your praise and glory.

Our Silent Personal Prayers of Confession

* DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven

People: Alleluia and Amen.

* GLORIA PATRI

**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.**

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

"Peace be with you...and also with you."

A TIME FOR OUR CHILDREN

* HYMN #88 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" Valet Will Ich Dir Geben

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 11:1-11

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

TODAY AT FPC

WELCOME to our service of worship this Sixth Sunday of Easter. Join us for refreshments in Knox Hall following worship.

OUR RADIO BROADCAST over Station KWOS (950 AM) at 11:00 a.m. today is dedicated to the glory of God.

FLOWERS in the sanctuary this day are dedicated to the glory of God.

USHERS 8:30 am Cindy Larrick
10:45 am Lynn Ratchford
5:00 pm Blaine Smallwood

BUS DRIVERS Sherry Simon & Deb Denning

FLOWER VISITATION: Sheryl Bowles, Louisa Stabenow & Jessica Cox

THE PINK ROSE on the chancel welcomes the arrival of Madeline Rose Clark, daughter of Nathaniel & Theresa Clark born on March 16th. Madeline is the granddaughter of Mary & Robert Clark.

THE WHITE ROSE on the chancel is in loving memory of Priscilla Klinger who joined the Church Triumphant on March 17, 2017.

WORSHIP ON EASTER SUNDAY

On Easter Sunday our morning worship will, of course, be focused on the resurrection of our Lord! Biblical texts will be Acts 10:34-43 and John 20:1-18. The sermon theme is "Running on Empty."

SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE @ FIVE

We will celebrate Palm Sunday, as told in the Gospel of John, as Pastor Zac reflects on "Welcoming Our King" from John 12:12-16. All are welcome!

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

8:30 am Worship Service
9:30 am Coffee Fellowship - Knox Hall
9:45 am Lenten Book Study - 3rd Floor Youth Library
9:45 am Sunday School for All Ages
10:45 am Worship Service
11:45 am Coffee Fellowship - Knox Hall
3:30 pm Lenten Book Study - Parlor
5:00 pm Sunday Night Live @5 Worship Service
5:45 pm Shared Meal - Knox Hall

PLEASE PRAY for our sister congregation of Calumet Presbyterian Church, Clarksville. It is part of our being the connectional church.

THE CHAPEL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS will be taught by Pastor Dave through April 1st with the following themes: March 25 The Message of Palm Sunday Parade, April 1 The Power of the Resurrection. Please join us as we share together in faithful learning and spiritual growth.

FOOD 4 KIDS - First Presbyterian is hosting the Food 4 Kids program again this summer from June 25-August 15. I am looking for a few new people to be weekly co-coordinators with some of our veteran coordinators. Each weekly coordinator takes one week and is charge of the groups assigned to make and deliver lunches during that week. We average about 110 lunches per day. Its a very rewarding program and a fun way to work with people from our neighboring churches. If you think you might be interested or would like more information, please see Shelley Swoyer or contact her at sswoyer2002@yahoo.com or call 573-645-6175.

For more event dates & times, please see the calendar on our website at www.fpcjcmo.org

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Monday, March 26 through Sunday, April 1

PRESCHOOL & KPLUS ARE ON SPRING BREAK

MON	5:15 pm	Bible Study - Library
	6:30 pm	Faith Voices - Quinn Chapel
	6:30 pm	Stephen Ministers - Parlor
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts Troop 2 - Gym
	7:00 pm	Lenten Book Study - the Hofmann's Home
TUES	9:30 am	Lenten Book Study - McAfee Room
	10:30 am	Lenten Book Study - Primrose Retirement Community
	12:00 pm	Community Lenten Service & Lunch - Central United Church of Christ
	1:00 pm	Recorder Practice
	1:30 pm	Staff Meeting
	6:45 pm	Volleyball - Southridge Baptist Church
WED	10:30 am	Ladies Kaffee Klatsch - HyVee
	4:30 pm	Serve Supper at Salvation Army
	6:00 pm	SWAG (Mid Highs) Meet
	6:30 pm	Choir Practice
	6:45 pm	Boy Scouts Troop 2 - McAfee Room
	7:00 pm	EPIC (Senior Highs) Meet
THURS		MAUNDY THURSDAY
	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Communion & Tenebrae Service of Shadows
FRI		GOOD FRIDAY
	7:00 am	Friday Morning Prayer & Devotions - Parlor
	6:00 pm	Good Friday Vesper Service
SAT		SILENT SATURDAY
	9:00 am	Silent Saturday Prayer Vigil (until 12:00 noon)
SUN		EASTER SUNDAY
	6:45 am	Easter Sunrise Service - Governor's Garden
	7:30 am	Easter Breakfast - Knox Hall
	8:30 am	Easter Worship Service
	9:30 am	Coffee Fellowship - Knox Hall
	9:45 am	Sunday School for All Ages
	10:45 am	Easter Worship Service
	11:45 am	Coffee Fellowship - Knox Hall
	2:00 pm	Easter Worship - Primrose Retirement Community
	5:00 pm	Easter Worship at Sunday Night Live @5
	5:45 pm	Shared Meal - Knox Hall

WEDDING RSVP - Dan McPherson and Shannon Evans invite the congregation to share their joy as they are married in our sanctuary on Saturday, April 28th at 3:00 p.m. A cake and punch reception will follow in Knox Hall. Dan and Shannon would appreciate it if those wishing to attend would notify them by April 7th so enough food can be ordered. A sign-up sheet will be available in Knox Hall or you can contact Dan by phone at 573-635-1764, or by email at dn_mcpherson@yahoo.com.
WORK DAY AT CAMP COVENANT POINT - Sign up to help our Presbyterian camp get ready to summer campers! FPC will be working from 9 to noon on Saturday, April 7th. Please sign up in Knox Hall or contact Carol Scott (xombuddy1@gmail.com).