

Palm Sunday
April 10, 2022

Welcome and Announcements
Birthday Celebration

Prelude Christopher A. McCroskey
(As the Prelude begins, prayerfully prepare your hearts and minds for worship.)

Call to Worship "With the Waving of Palms" Choir
Centering Words

Proclamation of the Entry into Jerusalem Luke 19:28-40 Page 81 (N.T.)

Response:
Leader: Sing glory to God in the highest heaven.
People: The king is coming!
Leader: Even if we keep silent, the rocks will shout it out.
People: The king is coming!
Leader: The king is coming!
People: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

*Hymn "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" 278

Opening Prayer
(Please register your attendance on the pew pads provided)

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 50:4-9a Page 646 (O.T.)
*Psalter Psalm 31:9-16 764-765
Anthem "Once Upon a Tree" Choir
Soloists: Dan Greshel, Jo Ann Heiting, Kay Jordan

Proclamation of the Passion Story Luke 22:66-23:56 Pages 85-87 (N.T.)
Sermon *God Will Not Be Silenced!* Rev. John ordan

*Affirmation of Faith "Apostles' Creed" 881
*Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" 70

Pastoral Prayer
Presentation of Tithes & Offerings
Offertory Christopher A. McCroskey
*Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" 95

*Hymn "What Wondrous Love Is This" 292

*Dismissal With Benediction
*Benediction Response "With the Waving of Palms" Choir

*Postlude Christopher A. McCroskey
*The Congregation May Stand

Leading in Worship Today

Pastor: John D. Jordan Time Together: Ruth Frady
Choir Director: Christopher A. McCroskey AV Director: Marie Stiles
Church Musician AV Assistant: Chris Derrick

VISITORS ARE WELCOME in the service of worship! Please make use of the visitor's tags (located in the pew backs) to help us better welcome you as a visitor to Trinity this morning. We ask that you also please fill in the pew pad as it passes to register your attendance with us. **Large print hymnals** are available from the ushers. An **INFANT AND TODDLER NURSERY** is provided during the worship hour. Parents: please ask an usher for assistance.

You may join as a member into the life and work of this congregation by Confession of Faith or by Transfer of Membership from another church. If you would be interested in becoming a member, please speak to the pastor.

TODAY'S LOVELY FLOWERS are given to the **Glory of God.**

“AS MEMBERS OF THIS CONGREGATION, WE WILL FAITHFULLY PARTICIPATE IN ITS MINISTRIES BY OUR PRAYERS...

Jackie McNeill	Charles McNeill	Becky Derrick	Charlie Hooker	Patsy Zeigler	Dale Wells
Jimmy Grahl	Oren Edwards	Latson Lewis	Steve Aiello	Patsy Shuler	George Taylor
Kay Jordan	John Ballentine	Boots Morgan			

Shut-Ins: Shirley Butler; Esther Carter; Nell Cooke; Carolyn Hardee; Gillett Hipp; June Hutto; Georgeann Pace; Shirley Padgett; Jean Raynor; Claudia Sineath; Irvin Wells

Family and Friends: **Howard Stephens** (friend of Sue Ballentine); **James Boggs** (father of Claire Boggs); **Stacy Coggins** (daughter of Steve Aiello); **Dan & Leslie White** (brother & sister-in-law of Steve White); **Jorge Dominguez** (husband of friend of Marty Johnson); **Alva Humphries** (friend of Marty Johnson); **Mary Ann Rentz** (stepmother of Marty Johnson); **Judy Bauer** (cousin of Marty Johnson); **Neal Hart** (uncle of Dee Senn); **Bill Areheart** (friend of Bonnie Ramsey); **Jane & Bob Bryant** (sister and brother-in-law of Patsy Zeigler); **Max Nova** (son of friend of Edwa Meek); **Addie Kinard** (cousin of coworker of Edwa Meek); **Stuart & Penny Lloyd** (son & daughter-in-law of Tom & Marilyn Lloyd); **Cindy Ellenberg** (friend of Ray Frady); **Megan Corby** (daughter of Carlis Edwards); **Chip Hooker** (Wayne Hooker's father); **Robert Bradley** (Business Associate of Simon Ross); **Dino & Wanda Moore** (friend of Tommy Gleaton); **Gary Becton** (friend of Mark Branham); **Wade Albert Payne** (friend of Mary Louise Robinson); **Monnie Tiller** (friend of Chris Derrick); **Adrin & Linda Hargett** (stepfather and stepmom of Christopher McCroskey); **Alexa Lookingbill** (wife of coworker of Kathy White); **Katelyn Rose** (daughter of co-worker of Kathy White); **Vickie Edwards** (neighbor of Kathy White); **Beverly Jordan** (sister-in-law of John Jordan); **Renea Eshleman, Ty Moore, George Dorn** (friends of Kay Jordan); **Teddy Derrick** (uncle of Arvan Derrick); **Haidee Baehr** (friends of Ruth Frady); **Dianne Schmotzer** (sister-in-law of Gale Frady); **Denise Paul, Scott & Karen Nelson** (cousins of Gale Frady); **Dan Conner, Max Johnson** (friends of Gale Frady); **Ray Culbreth's Group House**; **Nellie Gantt** (mother of friend of Ray Culbreth); **Amelia Zinski** (great-niece of Linda Maloch); **Wayne Blair** (son of Dot Johnson); **Xavier Crane** (grandnephew of John Ballentine); **Walt & Janet Beck** (friends of Jo Ann Heiting); **Earle Watson** (father of friend of Jo Ann Heiting); **Adam Lavender** (son of Phil Lavender)

OUR PRESENCE ...

Attendance 04/03 Sunday School 8 Morning Worship: 26

OUR GIFTS ...

General Fund 04/03 \$ 5,094.39

OUR SERVICE ...

OUR WITNESS."

Church Calendar

TODAY Birthday Celebration

Holy Week Service @Mt. Hebron UMC, 6 p.m.

04/11 Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m.

Holy Week Service @ Trinity UMC, 6 p.m.

04/12 Holy Week Service @ Platt Springs UMC, 6 p.m.

04/13 Holy Week Service @ Cayce UMC, 6 p.m.

04/14 Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday Service @ Trinity, 6 p.m.

04/15 Office Closed

04/16 Easter Egg Hunt, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.



Ministers

Pastor

Resident Bishop

District Superintendent

The Congregation

John D. Jordan

Jonathan Holston

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Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our vision is to Connect, Nurture, Inspire and Transform



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EXERCISE CLASS

The Exercise Class meets every Monday and Thursday at 10:30 a.m. The class is open to everyone.

HOLY WEEK



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

The West Metro UMC's will once again have Holy Week services. The pastors of each church are glad we are finally able to renew this long-standing tradition. Holy Week offerings will go to God's Helping Hands. All services will be streamed from the host church's website or facebook page.

Date	Place	Preacher
Sunday 4/10	Mt. Hebron www.mthebrnumc.com	Jon Hoin from Platt Springs
Monday 4/11	Trinity www.trinityumcwc.org	Meg Cook from Cayce
Tuesday 4/12	Platt Springs www.facebook.com/mypsumc	C. Mark Payne from Brookland
Wednesday 4/12	Cayce www.cayceumc.com	Kevin Cooley from Mt Hebron.

Services will begin at 6:00 p.m. and light refreshments and fellowship will follow each service.



There will be a Maundy Thursday Service at Trinity at 6 p.m.



Saturday, April 16
10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Join us for a morning of fun as we meet in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, April 16, at 10:30 a.m. for an Easter Egg Hunt!

If you would like to donate candy to fill the eggs, please deliver it to the church by Thursday, April 14.



Sunday, April 17
7 a.m.



Don't forget to bring flowers on Easter Sunday to decorate the cross.

Here comes the King and his entourage! Here comes Jesus of Nazareth, the Messiah, finally coming to Jerusalem! He comes like Solomon, Jehu, and the other kings of Israel. He comes and the people shout, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the LORD! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven!"

They shout this phrase from one of the Hallel Psalms: Psalm 118: 26, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD." They shout, letting the people of Jerusalem know that the king is coming who will rule in the name of God. This is what the crowd of disciples shout as they go down the road from Bethany into Jerusalem.

Here comes the King and his entourage. But what a king. This king is riding a donkey. Shouldn't a king be riding a great war horse or in a gilded chariot? He is not riding on a fine saddle but some old fisherman's stinky cloaks.

Look at his entourage, this crowd of disciples. There are a bunch of fishermen. tax collectors and women. There is a Samaritan leper whose skin is clear. There is a woman who was crippled, bent over for eighteen years, standing straight. There is a man who was mute because a demon possessed him but now he shouts. There is a woman who had suffered bleeding for twelve years. Some had been lame. One is a young boy who had been possessed by a demon. There are even little children! This does not seem to be the entourage of a king.

They spread their cloaks on the road, not cloaks of fine wool or linen, not cloaks with fine embroidery, but tattered shawls and cloaks with rips and tears.

Yes, this is not a king like other kings. This king comes in the name of the LORD. This king comes to rule according to the Kingdom of God, not the kingdom of the world. This king comes with an entourage of the oppressed and marginalized, not the wealthy and powerful. Still, this king comes to overturn the powers that be.

This king comes as the Messiah, the anointed one, the one to overthrow the oppressive powers and free the people! So, the crowds of disciples shout! They make noise. They raise a ruckus! Our king is coming! The one anointed by God to rule us, not the Roman emperor.

The Pharisees tell Jesus to order his disciples to be quiet. This ruckus they are raising will be noticed by the authorities. They will hear of this king coming to foment revolution and they will not stand for it. Herod will not give up his power. Pilate will not let the Roman authority be challenged. This crowd places us in danger. We will be crushed and destroyed.

It may not be that the Pharisees feared this king coming into Jerusalem, but they feared the consequences of this new rule. This was a new way, a way that would conflict with the old. And the old, it seemed, held all the power. So, they want Jesus to quiet the crowd.

In Luke, the Pharisees were not depicted as active opponents to Jesus. Often Luke used the Pharisees as foils. The Pharisees were used to depict the negative when compared to true discipleship. When Jesus ate with tax collectors and sinners, the Pharisees grumbled, believing these people should be excluded, while Jesus included them. Now as the crowd of disciples shouted, the Pharisees asked that they be quiet.

Jesus tells them that he could tell the crowd to be quiet, but then the stones by the side of the road would shout out. It was not only the people shouting about the coming of the Kingdom of God but all creation, even rocks. Jesus knows that all that is happening - his ministry in Galilee, his journey to Jerusalem, his entrance, and all that will happen in Jerusalem - is God's doing. This is to be the culmination of God's plan to redeem Israel and all people. God would not be silenced!

It is the Pharisees that are silenced. In Luke, this is the last mention of the Pharisees. They are not heard again.

At times we may be like the Pharisees. We see something new and different coming. While we may not be opposed, we fear the possible consequences. So, we want to silence this new and different thing.

The consequences the Pharisees feared eventually happened, though much later. But for now, for Jesus who was bringing in a new rule, it was too much of a threat to the powers that be. He had to be silenced. The powers spied and plotted. Finally, they captured Jesus while he prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane and brought him before the council.

Read Luke 22: 66- 23:56

So they silenced Jesus. They silenced God.

Or did they?