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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***



**Holy Week**

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**Trinity United Methodist Church**  
**Holy Week**  
**March 31, 2026**

✦ Please stand, as you are able.

Gathering  
Welcome, Announcements & Prayer

Prelude *Goodness of God* Bethel Music  
Performed by Ella Stilwell and Miles Brooks  
*Prayerfully prepare your hearts & minds for worship.*

✦ Call to Worship

The house is filled with the smell of perfume.

**It is almost time.**

Dark clouds gather and silence falls on the city streets.

**It is almost time.**

The shadow of a cross falls against the hillside.

**It is almost time.**

Fall on your knees and bow your head.

**It is time to travel to Jerusalem.**

✦ Opening Hymn *Change My Heart, O God* TFWS #2152

✦ Opening Prayer

**God of Extravagant Love,**

**Sometimes it is too overwhelming and too wonderful to grasp this love of yours. As we worship this evening, open our souls wide that every word spoken, and every note sung will form and reform us as your people. Help us to remember we are a connectional church, saved by grace and in this together. Most of all, God of miracles, help us to surrender to your will and be your people, for we pray in the name of the One who loved us enough to bridge humanity and divinity, Jesus the Christ. Amen**

✦ Psalter Reading *Psalm 103:1-18 with Response* #824

✦ Canticle of Covenant Faithfulness with Response #125 UMH

✦ Gloria Patri #71 UMH

*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: *Let us greet one another with love and peace.*

Special Music *Who You Say I Am* Hillsong Worship  
Performed by Ella Stilwell and Miles Brooks

Scripture Lessons *Isaiah 58:5-8*  
*2 Corinthians 5:17-21*

✦ Gospel Lesson *Matthew 21:1-5*

Sermon “Actin’ a Donkey” Rev. Dr. Ann Kovan

✦ Hymn of Invitation *What Wondrous Love Is This* #292 UMH

Pastoral Prayer 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 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.**

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

✦ Doxology #95 UMH

**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.**

✦ Closing Hymn *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross* #301 UMH

✦ Benediction

✦ Benediction Response