

Scripture Reading: Mark 11:1-11

¹ As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, ² saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³ If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ say, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.’”

⁴ They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, ⁵ some people standing there asked, “What are you doing, untying that colt?” ⁶ They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go.

⁷ When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it.

⁸ Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. ⁹ Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, “Hosanna!” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

¹⁰ “Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!” “Hosanna in the highest heaven!” ¹¹ Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve

Phillipians 2:5-11

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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March 25, 2018 Palm Sunday

UMH (United Methodist Hymnal) FWS (Faith We Sing)

(Indicates for Congregation to stand if able)**

Announcements / Birthdays & Anniversaries

Time of Reflection

Hosanna! Hosanna!

Pianist: Joel Blair

Scriptures

Mark 11:1-11

****Hymn #278 (UMH)**

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

****Call to Worship**

Liturgist: Margie Berg

L: Exaltation and joy . . . Passover sacrifice and betrayal . . . death and life: such is the terrain of Holy Week. Such are waters that sweep us through the holy mystery of our faith. Now is the time to count the cost of discipleship.

P: Now is the time to follow Jesus.

****Hymn #298 (UMH)**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Children's Sermon

Stump the Pastor

Joys and Concerns / Pastoral Prayer

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.

****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.

Choir *The Savior's Lament*

Scriptures: **Phillipians 2:5-11**

Hymn #2111 (FWS) *We Sang Our Glad Hosannas*

Message *Song of Praise* **Pastor Carolyn Westlake**

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering - Please sign Pew Pad.

****Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below, praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

****Offertory Prayer**

Spirit of humble generosity: thank you for your never-failing mercy; thank you for Christ's gift of selfless love; thank you for the witness of our forebears. For blessing us with many gifts, we thank you. For walking with us in our weakness, we praise you. Receive these gifts in token and thanks for the love you offer us, a love that makes us well and whole. Amen.

****Hymn #193 (UMH)** *Jesus! The Name High Over All* **(vs 1,3,4,5)**

Benediction / Greeting/ Postlude

Prayer for Living Expectantly

Gracious and Life-Giving God,

- Pour out your Holy Spirit, like a mighty wind and tongues of fire, to unleash our churches to see kingdom visions, to dream your dreams, and to prophesy to your saving grace and justice.
- Revive the power of the gospel in the hearts of our clergy and lay leadership and prosper their words and works, so that all nations may hear the good news in their own tongues.
- Boldly use me, without limits, delays or excuses, to be a living praise and witness to your love throughout all the earth and a blessing to all creation.
- Create in me an expectant heart, eager to receive your Spirit gifts and guidance to the glory of Jesus Christ, in whose precious and powerful name I pray. Amen.

PLEASE NOTE

- **Pastor Carolyn's Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday mornings at the church office. To contact Pastor Carolyn, please call: Office 507-356-4553, cell 507-208-5842 or pastorc@bevcomm.net. Feel free to call her cell number if you can't reach her at the Church Office.
- **Mission Box** for March Food Share.
- **Pine Island Sharing Shelf** for March will be Shampoo and Toothpaste.
- **A Reminder** to all committees with check books: Please bring in your records to the Finance Meeting on Tuesday, March 20, at 5:30pm, for the Audit. Thank you.
- **Fundraiser concert for the Pine Island Sharing Shelves** will be held on Sunday, March 18, at 4:00 pm featuring the Woodbury Chorus and Orchestra. The concert will be held at the Pine Island High School Auditorium. 100% of a free will offering taken at the concert will benefit the Sharing Shelves.
- **Volunteers to read** Scripture at the 7pm, March 30th, Good Friday Tenebrae service. Please see Pastor Carolyn if you are willing to participate.
- **Easter Sunday Schedule:** 7am Youth Service, 8am Breakfast, 9am Celebration Service. **(Bring Bells)**
- **Easter & Lent Offering** designation goes to Ministerial, Apportionments and Family Promise.