

*Find Your
Spot, Set
Your Face,
Be the
Donkey*

St. Luke's United Methodist Church

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Palm Sunday



(♦ All are invited to stand.)

(Resource Key: UMH—United Methodist Hymnal; TFWS—The Faith We Sing)

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE

(Please register your attendance.)

PRELUDE "Come, Thou Almighty King" *Arr. by Anna Laura Page*

(Please observe this time as an opportunity for silent prayer and meditation.)

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

{out on the front porch and lawn}

PROCESSIONAL, No. 278 UMH "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

INTROIT "Sing Hosanna" *Children's Choirs*

{11:00}

GREETING

Hosanna to the son of David, the King of Israel.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Behold your king comes to you, O Zion,
meek and lowly, sitting upon an ass.

Ride on in the cause of truth and for the sake of justice.

Your throne is the throne of God, it endures for ever;
and the scepter of, your kingdom is a righteous scepter.

You have loved the righteousness and hated evil:

therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. *

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

♦ RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

♦ **OPENING HYMN, No. 277 UMH** "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

UNISON PRAYER

O Lord God,
the watchers of Zion have called peace, peace,
when there was no peace.
Wherefore have you so long withheld from us
the influence of your Holy Spirit?
Why have you hardened our hearts?
It is because we have honored you with our lips,
when our hearts were far from you.
Return again to us, O Lord God,
and pardon this iniquity of your servants.
Cause your face to shine upon us, and we shall be saved.
O visit us with your salvation.
Raise up sons and daughters from Abraham and Sarah,
and grant that there might come
a mighty shaking of dry bones among us,
and a great ingathering of souls.
Be pleased to grant
that the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ may be built up;
that all nations and kindreds and tongues and peoples
might be brought to the knowledge of the truth,
and we at last meet around your throne,
and join in celebrating your praises. Amen. *

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

♦ **CANTICLE, No. 167 UMH** "Canticle of Christ's Obedience"

ANTHEM "The Garden" {8:30 & 11:00}

Lyrics by Beverly Easterling Music by Mark Hayes

There is a garden fair to see where Jesus Christ, a child was He. He planted roses,
red and white. To make Himself a garden bright, and when they saw that He was
there, they came and plucked the rose tree bare. There is a garden sad to see where
Jesus prayed, Gethsemane. He prayed alone with all His might for strength to wait
the coming night. And when they saw Him thus displayed, 'twas with a kiss He was
betrayed. There is a garden made of stone, where hope for all the world was sown.
Sweet Mary came for one last time, carrying myrrh, His wounds to bind. And when
she saw the tomb was bare, her grief descended to despair. There in that garden,
love became all life restored, renewed, reclaimed. "Seek not the living with the dead,"
He spoke among the roses red. She turned and saw the shining One, God's
perfect gift: His perfect Son. There is a garden fair to see, God's gift of love is plain
to see, His perfect Son.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY "All Glory, Laud and Honor" *Arr. by Dick Torrans*

- ◆ **DOXOLOGY, No. 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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT {8:30 & 11:00}

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE LESSON, Isaiah 50:4-9a

- ◆ **HYMN, No. 2270 TFWS** "He Has Made Me Glad" {sing 2x}

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE LESSON, Luke 9:51; 19:28-40

TODAY'S MESSAGE *Douglas Gestwick*
"Find Your Spot, Set Your Face, Be the Donkey"

SERVICE OF THE TABLE, No. 17 UMH "Setting A" {9:45}
[Please come to the nearest communion station, and stand to receive the bread and cup. A server will place the bread in your hand, after which you dip the bread into the chalice and partake. After receiving, return to your seats, or kneel at the rail, for meditation and prayer. Notify an usher if you need assistance, or if you need to receive the sacrament at your seat. Please remember to place your monetary gift at the kneeling rail to support our Good Samaritan Fund that assists needy friends and neighbors in York County and Poquoson.]

- ◆ **CLOSING HYMN, No. 176 UMH** "Majesty, Worship His Majesty" {sing 2x}
[During the singing of the closing hymn, you are invited to kneel at the altar in prayer. If you would like one of the pastors to pray with you, look at them. They will come to you.]

◆ **GOING FORTH WITH THE LIGHT**

◆ **BENEDICTION**

- ◆ **POSTLUDE** "March Triumphant into Jerusalem" *Robert Thygerson*



Welcome to St. Luke's! We're glad that God has brought you to worship with us today. We especially welcome newcomers to our community. We invite you to consider making us your church home. Talk with one of the pastors for details.

Please sign our Friendship Register found in the red pads in the pews and pass it to the person next to you. When everyone has signed, please return it to the end of the pew nearest the center aisle. If you are a guest please complete the yellow Visitor card in the pew rack and return it to the Hospitality Center in the Narthex (lobby). A gift is waiting for you there. The Hospitality Host/Hostess is there to give you information about St. Luke's and answer questions.

Infants and toddlers may enjoy our Nursery Ministry during all services; ask an usher for directions to our nursery facilities. Large print bulletins and hymnals, and hearing assist devices, are available from our ushers. Please note: Activity Bags are available in the narthex for younger boys and girls. Please return the bags as you leave worship.

Stay connected! We are pleased to offer our 11:00 AM on the web through a streaming live broadcast. If you miss the service you can also access archives of our services. Just go to our website www.stlukesyorktown.org and click on the "Eleven o'clock Service i-Broadcast." Sunday bulletins are posted on Fridays prior to worship.

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Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:

Convalescents: Bayside Convalescent – Tom Brewer – Rm 202
Bob & Eleanor Misner - 102
The Chesapeake – Marjorie Bennett – Rm 315
Dominion Village – Geannette Holland

The Newport – Evelyn Crane (Skeeter Coleman’s mom)
Walter Reed Rehab(Gloucester – Irene Hall – Rm 19B
Warwick Forest:

Marilyn Beckman – Keswick Place- Rm 555
Myra Cobb – Rm 539
Bob Krutsch – The Gardens- Rm 305A
Ruth Smeland – The Gardens – Rm 522A
Evelyn White – Keswick Place

York Convalescent - Sarah Tingen – 1B (Jake Capps mom)
Colonial Harbor – Ann Fink – Rm 117
Wilbert & Barbara Tyler – Rm 228

Heritage Commons – Clarke & Jackie Houston – Rm 130

In The Hospital: Jim Johnson – (Suzie Smith’s brother)
Jackie Houston – Sentra Williamsburg
Brian Denny – Atlanta Rehab Hospital, (Jessica’s husband)

Prayers and Sympathy to: Mike and Brenda Ramsey on the death of his
grandmother, Nancy DeHart, March 22, 2010.

Other members: Ann Burnette, Mildred Epperly, Helen Gaddis, Jeanette George,
Sheryl Gibbs, Linda Hampton, Bill Hunter, John Masten, Sue Merritt,
Nancy Mullins, Gloria Nuckles, Ann and Lee Person, DeAnn Posey,
Ernest White

**Extended family
and friends:** Travis Allen, Andy Anderson, Shannon Begy, Alston Black, Lee
Booth II, Anna Bryant, Kevin Butler, Lauren Burke, Joe Cannon,
Nancy Clark, Betty Collins, John Collins, Judy Collins, Chuck Crisp,
Shawn Crummel, Elsie Curtis, Burt Daniel, Audrey Diperseo,
Ann Edgath, Marie Frazier, Vince Grande, Sydney Harris, Michael
Hatton, Eric Hogge, Joe Hughes, John Johnson, Bernice Jones,
Billie Jones, George Jordon, Myrtle Jordon, Tina Kelly,
Gladys Knight, Shirley Kong, Mary Lurowski, Frank Maness,
Carol Masser, Pam McCann, Julie Mitcham, Loretta Moncrieff,
Ryan and Jennifer Moneyhun, Sherri Moore, Michael Overall,
Bob Parrish, Terry Phillips, Mason Quimby, Liz Rich, Debra
Robinson, Shirley Roller, Sandy Sherrin, Joshua Snell, Traci
Snell, David Stephens, Diana Teaford, Andre Tennant, Don
Thompson, Jayson Thompson, Deanna Tumeay, Neil Turk, Scott
Wallace, Paula Watts, Marsha Ward, Wanda Weeks, Shirley
Wilson, Ken Wrisley, Tim Zelner, Mary Zurowski, Carol Zsolinski

**Our Military especially
those deployed:** David Cluxton, Scott Glass, Ben Liles, Paul Mowery

**Pray that Christians in the military will find
other believers with whom to fellowship.**

Acolytes: (8:30) Alexis Haskiell and Shawn Knox **Crucifer:** Harper Cowan
(11:00) Ian Crispen and Laura Martin **Crucifer:** Livia Crispen

Shepherd Ministry: Rita Atherton

Attendance on March 21, 2010: Worship – 476

Have a Happy Easter! (Tear Here)

St. Luke's Worship Ministry is creating a flowering Easter Garden in the sanctuary. A monetary donation may be given in honor or memory of any individual or family member. Please help us create this garden to beautify our sanctuary to God's glory. If you wish to participate, complete the coupon below, attach your check (to St. Luke's UMC) and place it in the offering plate or deliver it to the church. If you wish, you may pick your plant up following the 11:00 service. Those that aren't picked up will be used on church grounds. Any monetary donations not used for the flowers will be given to a future St. Luke's mission trip. **Deadline: TODAY!!**

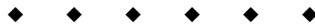
Please accept this gift in honor of: _____

Please accept this gift in memory of: _____

Given by: _____

ST. LUKE'S IN ACTION - Week of March 28, 2010

TODAY	PALM SUNDAY
	8:30 Simply Christian Adult Sunday School Class
	9:45 Sunday School for all ages
	11:00 Young Adult Sunday School Class (rm 29)
	11:00 Prayer Ministry Team (room 4 – all are invited to join)
	4:00 Confirmation Class
	4:00 Disciple IV Bible Study
	5:00-7:00 Middle School Fellowship of Clay
	6:30-8:30 High School Fellowship of Clay
MO	HOLY WEEK (m-s)
	9:30-12:30 Mon - Fri. - Preschool
TU	11:00 Staff Meeting
WED	6:00 High School & Middle School Bible Study
	6:15 Discovery Kids
	6:15 The Faithful Chorus rehearsal
	6:15 Hand Bell Choir rehearsal
	6:30 God's Renewed Creation study
	6:30 The Book of Psalms study
	6:30 Disciple I Bible Study
	6:30 "The Shack" Study
	7:15 Chancel Choir rehearsal
THU	10:00 Acts Bible Study
	7:00 Maundy Thursday Worship Service
FR	7:00 Good Friday Worship Service
SAT	7:00-8:30 God and Grits Men's Bible Study
SUN	EASTER SUNDAY
	6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service
	7:00 a.m. Breakfast provided by the UM Men
	8:45, 9:45 & 11:00 Reg. scheduled worship services



Passionate Worship

Holy Week Services:

Palm Sunday - March 28th at 8:30, 9:45, & 11:00 AM

Maundy Thursday - April 1, 2010 at 7:00 PM

Good Friday - April 2, 2010 at 7:00 PM

Easter Sunday - April 4, 2010

Sunrise Service - 6:30 AM & Services of Resurrection - 8:30, 9:45, & 11:00 AM

Lenten Prayer Calendar Boxes will be blessed during all three services on April 11th. Please bring your filled boxes to church with you on that Sunday.

Radical Hospitality

Host Homes Needed - Our church is hosting the Bridgewater Chorale April 24-25. They will be providing leadership for worship at our 11:00 AM worship service. Our church has been asked to provide housing and breakfast for the choral participants. We are looking for host families to house at least two college students overnight. You will be responsible for picking up your students at St. Luke's on Saturday evening around 9:00 PM and feeding them breakfast before returning them to church Sunday morning. If you are interested in hosting, please sign up on Pastor Clara's door. You may specify whether you want males or females. Thanks in advance. If you have any questions, please contact the church office, 898-3017.

Need a Name Tag? Please sign the book at the Hospitality Center to request one. If you've requested one please check at the Hospitality Center to pick it up.

Interested in Being a Greeter? It's a great way to meet people and see people on Sunday morning. Contact Marjorie Crowell for more information, 890-2873.

Risk Taking Mission

Stop Hunger Now—We will hold an inter-generational **Stop Hunger Now** event on May 2. SHN has already started shipping millions of meals to Haiti to help the relief effort. Each meal costs 25¢ and there are six meals in a pack. If you would like to make a donation please make your check out to St. Luke's UMC and write Stop Hunger Now in the memo line. If you would like to package meals come out on May 2nd.

Spring Break Mission Trip to D'Iberville, MS from April 5-10. We will be doing Katrina rebuilding and repair. The houses we've been working on have been sitting idle and empty for 4 1/2 years with owners who have been praying for help during that time. If you're interested in helping them, please contact Ron Dorenbush at (H) 872-4666; (C) 817-0196 or email rdorenbush@aol.com.

Intentional Faith Development

A New Short-Term Study with Pastor Clara will be starting following Easter. More details to follow soon!

SOFTBALL! Adult Coed Slow-pitch Softball begins soon! Everyone 16 (by 10 April) and up is welcome to play! Games are all on Saturday mornings. The season runs from April 10 until July 10 with no games Memorial Day weekend nor Jul 4th weekend. Most games are at Liberty Baptist. This is a 'for fun' league and we *do have fun!* No experience is required! We need you! All you need is a glove! Schedule of games will come later. Call or text Kathie Murphy for more info: 757 208-1061 or email kcmurphy5@aol.com

St. Luke's Prayer Shawl Ministry - If you like to knit, crochet, and fellowship with others, please consider joining us. The group meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm to make shawls and pray for those in need. Completed shawls are lovingly distributed to members of our church family in need of comfort. Questions? Contact Ms. Joan Comeaux at 865-1729.

Lay Speaking Ministries trains members who want to share the Christian faith through spoken communication, church and community leadership, and care-giving in their local church. A Basic Course is being offered from 8 am to 1 pm each Saturday, April 10 & 17, to be held at Asbury UMC, Newport News. Please visit the District Website <http://www.gbqm-umc.org/pendist/index.htm> or call the District Office (596-3476) for further details on registration and ordering the book for this course. This course is free. Deadline to register is April 7.

Extravagant Generosity

Appalachia Service Project Barbecue! It's time again for the annual barbecue sponsored by the Grafton Kiwanis Club to support our ASP mission trip in June. The BBQ will be held on April 17 near the Grafton post office. Please see any ASP participant for advance tickets.

Medicine Box Collections - Monetary donations will be collected throughout the month of March to purchase a Medicine Box. This is an UMCOR program administered by I.M.A., (Interchurch Medical Assistance), which purchases essential medicines and medical supplies to treat 1,000 adults and children for 2-3 months. Checks may be made out to SLUMC and placed in the collection plate. Please put "Medicine Box" on the memo line.

Helping Chile and Haiti Earthquake Recovery - You can help by making donations to United Methodist Committee on Relief for Chile by writing a check to St. Luke's UMC and write UMCOR Chile Emergency Advance #3021178 in the memo line. At this time it is not anticipated that relief supply kits will be needed. If you would like to make a donation for Haiti please write a check to St. Luke's UMC and put UMCOR Haiti Emergency Advance # 418325 in the memo line. You may also donate a Health Kit or write a check to SLUMC for Health Kits for Haiti in the memo line. Each kit costs \$10.00. Please place checks in the offering plate.

Annual Relay for Life Yard Sale At Kiln Creek -Your St. Luke's Relay teams are having their annual spring yard sale at the Clotfelter's in Kiln Creek on Saturday, April 10th. We would certainly love to have your help in three ways: 1) Donate **gently used** items (we will pick up at your home). 2) Come out on the 10th and purchase items (and hot dogs). 3) Make baked goods for sale, and all this to benefit the American Cancer Society. Contact Mike Mellen at 898-3190, Tom Burke at 591-1881 or Dennis Crocker at 898-3823.