



April 13th, 2025 | FIRST TRADITION 11:00 AM | Palm Sunday

PRELUDE

James Stanley

All Glory, Laud, and Honor | Lloyd Larson

CALL TO WORSHIP †

Rev. Natasha Murray

Sing for joy! The Master comes!

Riding on a colt, he enters in victory!

If all shouting stopped, the rocks would ring with joy.

But there will be some who will not sing or shout.

There will be some who will cling to their fear.

Be ready, O Jerusalem, for your king truly is coming!

Hosanna in the highest! AMEN.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 280 †

All Glory, Laud, and Honor | United Methodist Hymnal

PRAYER OF THE DAY †

With great joy we welcome you, Lord Jesus! The journey has been long and we have longed to enter the Holy City. You come into our hearts and our lives, humbly, patiently, encouraging us to learn and grow, to embark on journeys of hope and healing. Open our hearts today to hear your words, as we sing praise to you. Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord's Name. AMEN.

PASSING OF THE PEACE †

May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. David C. Freeman

SONG

Jesus loves me, this I know for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me— the Bible tells me so.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Rev. Brittany Richardson Watson

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Hosanna, Loud Hosanna | United Methodist Hymnal

OFFERTORY

Chancel Choir

Shout Hosanna! \ Russel Nagy

DOXOLOGY 95 †

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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING †

SERMON

Rev. David C. Freeman

Beyond The Yellow Brick Road Pt. 6

VOCAL SOLO

Shannon Webb

Goodbye Yellow Brick Road \ Elton John & Bernie Taupin, arr. Sara Bareilles

A READING OF CHRIST'S PASSION

Joy Rockenbach

Mark 15: 16-39

BENEDICTION †

POSTLUDE

James Stanley

Ah, Holy Jesus | Lloyd Larson



Easter Invitation Reminder

Remember our Invitation Challenge for Holy Week and Easter. Each member is challenged to invite someone to worship with us during Holy Week and Easter. If you were in church Sunday, you received a card with all our worship services listed. All you have to do is give that card to a co-worker, neighbor, friend, or family member and let them know they are always welcome at FUMCLR. If they say yes, remember to make the extra effort to meet them in the parking lot and walk in together or get there early and save a seat. Being a place of love and belonging starts long before we arrive. It begins when we invite people into our community of faith. There are people all around us looking for community and longing for an experience with the Divine.

Gracefully,

David

Maundy Thursday Worship

6pm in Cokesbury

APRIL 17



Good Friday

APRIL 18

Worship
Noon & 6pm
in Sanctuary



HOLY WEEK

PRAYER WALK

APRIL 16-18

NOON - 6 PM

During Holy Week you are invited to take a contemplative prayer walk through the Sunday school wing. Each station will take you to a different moment of Jesus' journey to the cross. This is appropriate for all ages.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, April 13, 2025

- 9:00 am First Word (Cokesbury)**
- 10:00 am Sunday School**
- 11:00 am First Tradition (Sanctuary)**
- 4:00 pm Easter Egg Hunt**
- 5:30 pm Canvas Community Worship**

Monday, April 14, 2025

- 9:00 am Flower Girls**
- 1:00 pm Community Café**
- 6:30 pm Beginner Taiko**

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

- 7:00 am Tues Morning Bible Study**
- 9:00 am Staff Meeting**
- 10:30 am Worship Planning**
- 1:00 pm Community Café**
- 5:00 pm Stewardship & Finance Committee**
- 6:00 pm Exec. Board Of Stewards**
- 6:30 pm Intermediate Taiko**

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

9:30 am CDC Chapel

12:00 pm Holy Week Prayer Walk (until 6pm)

1:00 pm Community Café

5:45 pm Center St Ringers Rehearsal

7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 17, 2025

12:00 pm Holy Week Prayer Walk (until 6pm)

6:00 pm Maundy Thursday Worship

Friday, April 18, 2025

12:00 pm Good Friday Worship

12:00 pm Holy Week Prayer Walk (until 6pm)

6:00 pm Good Friday Worship