

The CELEBRATION of the GOSPEL

April 5, 2020

Welcome to All

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ST. JOHN'S
United Methodist Church

Glorifying God. Feeding People. Making Disciples.

Gathering in Spirit

Prelude

All Glory, Laud and Honor

Terry Byars

Words of Welcome

Rev. Lane Cotton Winn

Call to Worship

From homes and hospital we cry:
Hosanna, Son of David!

Hosanna in the highest Heavens!

Even in our isolation we shout: Blessed is the One
Who Comes in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the Highest!

Come, Jesus, into our hearts and homes –
with your peace, healing and love.

**Our hearts are ready to receive you and
journey with you through this holy time.**

Amen.

Hymn of Praise

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, nor
scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

"Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King.
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

Opening Prayer

Rev. Deirdre Halliburton

Proclaiming the Good News

Children's Moment

Pastors

Song of Preparation

Jesus, We Are Here

Jesus, we are here (3 times)
we are here for you

Scripture Reading

John 12:1-11

Reflection & Response Song

Natalie Cooper

Mary, friend of Jesus

Jesus, We Are Here

Jesus, we are here (3 times)
we are here for you

Scripture Reading

John 13:3-8, 12-16

Reflection & Response Song

Ben Hartman

Simon Peter

The Servant Song

Brother, sister, let me serve you
Let me be as Christ to you
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant, too

We are pilgrims on a journey
We're together on this road
We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load

I will hold the Christ-light for you
In the nighttime of your fear
I will hold my hand out to you
Speak the peace you long to hear

I will weep when you are weeping
When you laugh, I'll laugh with you
I will share your joy and sorrow
'Til we've seen this journey through

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When we sing to God in heaven
We shall find such harmony
Born of all we've known together
Of Christ's love and agony

Brother, sister, let me serve you
Let me be as Christ to you
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant, too

Scripture Reading

John 13:21-30

Reflection & Response Song

Caleb Doan

Judas

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch; like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

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When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.

Narrative of Scripture based on Matthew 26:36-56; 27:27-31

Reflection & Response Song Jim Sandifer

Roman Centurion

Were You There?

Were you there when they crucified my Lord
Were you there when they crucified my Lord
Oh.... sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble
Were you there when they crucified my Lord

Narrative of Scripture based on John 19:25-27

Reflection Danielle Blackwood

Mary, Mother of Jesus

Special Music Bryan Adams

Mary Did You Know?

Narrative of Scripture based on Mark 15:40-41

Reflection & Response Song Latrice Mallard

Salome

Jesus, Remember Me

Jesus, remember me,
when you come into your kingdom
Jesus, remember me,
when you come into your kingdom

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Lane

Responding with Thanks

Offering Our Tithes & Gifts to God

The Lord's Prayer

Carrie Poynot, soloist

Take a moment to give thanks for God for the gifts in your life.

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Doxology

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks
because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.
And now, let the weak say "I am strong,"
let the poor say, "I am rich,
because of what the Lord has done for us."
Give thanks!

Blessing and Sending Forth

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Closing Hymn

When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of Glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Benediction

Postlude

Thank you for worshipping with us!

Today's worship stewards are:

Carrie Poynot, Terry Byars,

Bryan Adams, John Toney, Mari Walker, and our pastors.

Thank you to our Dramatic Readers:

Natalie Cooper, Ben Hartman, Caleb Doan,

Jim Sandifer, Danielle Blackwood, and Latrice Mallard.

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Holy Week Worship

Maundy Thursday, Live at 6pm

Comfort Food: A Feast of Love

On Maundy Thursday, Serve up your favorite "comfort food" or a favorite snack and join Pastor Lane and her family around the dinner table. She will broadcast from the parsonage at 6pm on Facebook, for a "Feast of Love."

Pastor Lane will lead us through a short reflection and invite you to participate around your own table. We will bless our "comfort food," and take comfort in feeling the presence of Jesus Christ in our midst.

Good Friday, Live at 7:30 p.m., Sunset

A Service of Light and Breath

During the longest night of Holy Week – Good Friday – join us at sunset, 7:30 p.m. for a service of Light and Breath. Our Service of Light and Breath will create space for you to name the myriad of feelings you may be experiencing during this global pandemic. As we light candles together and name our feelings of grief, we will be reminded that the life-giving breath of the Spirit is always present with us.

Before worship, gather six candles, if possible, and be ready to light them as we move through our worship together.