

**Palm/Passion Sunday**  
**April 17, 2011**

*UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (Red)      FWS = The Faith We Sing (Black)*  
*\*Words Projected                                      +Please stand as you are able*

Prelude                                      “Open the Gates of the Temple”                                      J. F. Knapp

Welcome and Announcements

+Proclamation of the Entrance into Jerusalem                                      Matthew 21:1-11

+Processional Hymn                                      “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”                                      UMH 278

+Call to Worship\*

Leader: The crowd is noisy, joyous, and fired up! Jesus is right before our eyes! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord! Finally, our prayers are answered. Our lives are about to be taken to a new level! The Sovereign of glory has come to town and life will never be the same! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!!

**People: Hosanna!! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Anthem  
(8:45)                                      “The Palms”                                      J. Faure  
Morning Glory Choir

(11:00)                                      “The Palms”                                      J. Faure  
Chancel Choir; Ernie Woodcock, Soloist

Morning 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.***

New Testament Reading\*                                      Philippians 2:5-11                                      **Thanks be to God.**

Offertory                                      “All Glory, Laud and Honor”                                      Max Reger

+Response\*                                      “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”                                      UMH 95

Proclamation of the Passion Story Matthew 26:14-27:66

Musical Offering\*                                      “The Lamb of God”                                      FWS 2113  
Soloists: Molly Roberson and Kelsey Alred, Megan Roberson, Nicole Riekers  
Congregation join on Refrain

Hymn\*                                      “Were You There” (Verses 1 and 5)                                      UMH 288

+Benediction

+Postlude                                      “Triumph Song”                                      Alec Rowley

*Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.*

**Welcome, guests. We’re glad you’re here!**

- Children’s worship bags and age-appropriate worship activity bulletins are available in the foyer.
- Restrooms are located on the main hall to the left.
- Name tags can be found on the clipboards in the pews.
- Assisted listening devices and large print hymnals are available. Ask an usher for assistance.

*Thanks to those who are reading the scriptures today. Also, thank you to Tracey Kellam who has prepared the scriptures for dialogue presentation for today and the past four Sundays.*

*The crosses handed out today are hand-made by members of our congregation from palm leaves. Take this cross and use it as a focal point for your prayers and devotion this week.*

Greeters	(8:45) (11:00)	Ben and Mary Brown Mary Lou Robinson and Doris Creasy
Acolytes	(8:45)	Winton Justice (11:00) Hannah Jenkins
Nursery	(8:45) (11:00)	Jane Gilliam Mike and Wendy Collins
Sunday School		Wendy Collins
Counters		Jimmy Sculthorpe, Captain
Ushers	(8:45) (11:00)	Billy Blankenship, Janet Knight, Wayne Latimer, Gary Wright Tony Fleshman, Laurie Breeden, Sean Collins, Jennifer Kennedy, Joe Sullivan, Brad Wootten, Klaus Worrell
Audio/Visual Team		Ron Wootten (Audio), Rick Fleenor (Video)
Readers	(8:45) (11:00)	Ron White, Kathleen White, Chris Wilms Kathy Cullen, Amy Mott, Lisa Fleenor
Name Tag Organizer		Gracie Martin
Sanctuary Organizers		Laurie Breeden and Doris Creasy

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**The altar flowers** are placed to the Glory of God and in honor of Wayne Smith on his birthday by Kathy.

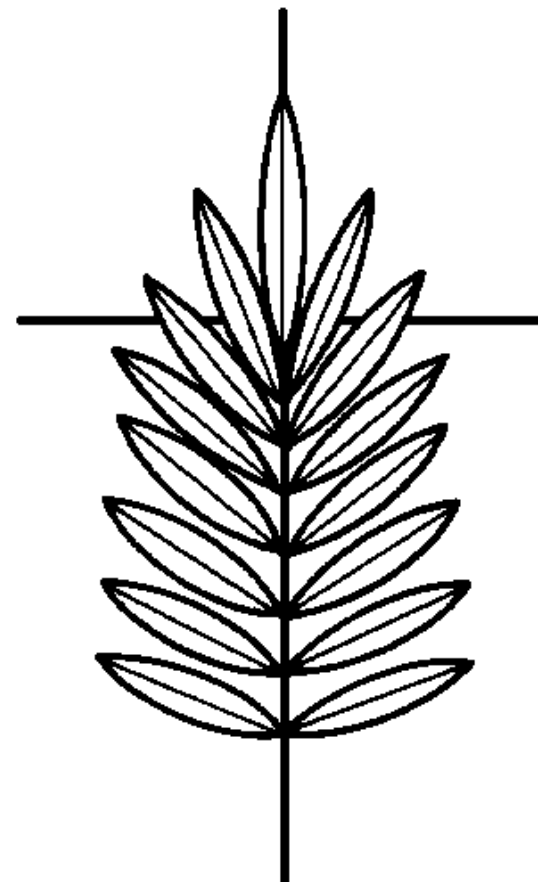
**The narthex flowers on the left** are placed to the glory of God and in honor of Julie Fleshman. "Happy Anniversary, Love of my Life!" Tony.

**The narthex flowers on the right** are placed to the glory of God and in honor of "my lovely wife, Barbara, on her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday. Love you!" Bill (Blankenship.)

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*Belong. Be transformed. Make a difference.*

*April 17, 2011*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, April 17

- 9:45 a.m. Fellowship Sunday (Social Hall) (No Sunday School Classes)
- 12:00 p.m. Cross Trainers
- 3:45 p.m. A Cappella Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 4:30 p.m. Pass It On Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 p.m. Girl Scouts (Room 309)
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
- 7:00 p.m. Bells of Providence Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Study (Room 206)

### Monday, April 18

- 10:00 a.m. Line Dancing Class (Room 309)
- 6:30 p.m. Covenant Disciple Group (Pastor's office)
- 7:00 p.m. Disciple 1 (Room 206)

### Tuesday, April 19

- 10:00 a.m. Quilters (Room 309)
- 10:30 a.m. Whitt Circle (Room 206)
- 11:00 a.m. Small Group (Library)
- 6:30 p.m. Christian Believer (Room 206)
- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts (3rd Floor)
- 7:15 p.m. Boy Scouts (Social Hall)
- 7:30 p.m. Worship Committee (Library)

### Wednesday, April 20

- 6:20 p.m. Hands-On Mission Project
- No KC JAM Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Trustees' Meeting (Library)
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir and Morning Glory Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### Thursday, April 21

- 7:30 p.m. Holy Thursday Worship

### Friday, April 22

- 7:30 p.m. Good Friday Worship
- 8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (Room 309)

### Sunday, April 24

- 6:00 a.m. Sunrise Worship
- 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 12:00 p.m. EFT (Library)
- No evening activities

### Monday, April 25 Church Office Closed

- 6:30 p.m. Endowment Committee (Library)
- 6:30 p.m. Covenant Disciple Group (Parlor)
- 7:00 p.m. Disciple 1 (Room 206)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**An Easter Walk** will be held TODAY during the fellowship hour at 9:45-10:45 a.m. Come to the Social Hall to mingle with new and old friends. Then take a short break from the food for a walk through Jesus' journey from Palm Sunday to Ascension. Small groups will be formed in the fellowship hall and assigned a guide who will lead them to various decorated rooms in the church building. There are no regular Sunday School classes.

### **Holy Week Worship Opportunities**

- Holy Thursday, 7:30 p.m. The service will include foot washing and hand washing for those who choose, and a service of Holy Communion followed by the stripping of the church.
- Good Friday, 7:30 p.m. The traditional tenebrae service will feature the youth choirs, the passion story and the gradual darkening of the sanctuary.
- Easter Sunrise, 6:00 a.m. (!) The light of the new fire will lead you to the outdoor chapel for a service at dawn, and will include a message by Clare Henderson and Holy Communion. A pancake breakfast will be offered by our UM Men and UM Women following.
- The sounds of bells, brass and praise to the risen Savior will be part of our Easter services at 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. as well as a service of baptism for Clare Henderson, confirmation for our youth and reception of new members.

A **service of baptism** will be held on Saturday at 3:00 p.m. for two of our young people, Christin Kitrell and Keith Bahm. The service will be held in the sanctuary of Bethany Place Baptist Church on Providence Road in order to make use of their baptismal pool. The congregation is encouraged to attend.

Your Lenten offering boxes may be returned to any of our services this week and placed on the altar rail, in the narthex or brought to the church office. The offering is for Pathways in Petersburg, VA, that is building lives and awakening hope for at-risk youth.

**Our Easter Offering** (place in a marked envelope or as a designated check) will go to:

**Richmond:** Good Samaritan Ministries, whose mission is to help men, women, and their families in the battle against addictions.

**Florida:** Branches, located in Florida City, where children, youth and their families receive material, educational and spiritual support.

**Brazil:** Ministry with Children, Shade and Fresh Water Project: Outreach to children who are hungry, uneducated and endangered by life on the streets.

The display of **crosses** in the Narthex has an added symbol each week from Jesus' life, especially his suffering, death and resurrection. **Today's new symbol is the Palm Branch**, celebrating the kingship of Christ.

Thank you to all who helped prepare for the Spring Festival. Your donations, time, and talent are truly appreciated!

**Richmond District United Methodist 2011 Golf Tournament**, sponsored by Providence United Methodist Church, will be held at Providence Golf Course, 1160 S. Providence Road, Richmond, VA, on Friday, April 29, at 1:00 p.m. Proceeds will support the United Methodist Urban Ministries of Richmond and Upward Soccer. There will be a picnic following the tournament at Providence UMC Picnic Shelter. See [www.providenceumc.net](http://www.providenceumc.net) for registration form. Payment deadline is April 24.

**Take stock in our youth!! Please help send our youth on a mission trip to Impact Richmond this summer.** Each stock cost \$25.00. This entitles you to a stockholders' dinner when the youth return from their trip and the idea of knowing you made a difference in the life of someone (or many people), in the Richmond area. The certificates are located on the youth bulletin board across from the Church Office. Checks should be made payable to PUMC with "stock" on the memo line.

Would you like to learn or brush up on the basics of the **Christian Faith from a United Methodist perspective?** Sign up today for Faith 101, a 6 session class beginning Sunday, May 1, 9:45-10:45 a.m. each week.

**There will be no Wednesday Night Dinner on April 20 (Spring Break). Wednesday Night Dinner on April 27** will be Chicken Vicky, vegetable, roll, and dessert. Dinner costs \$5.00 per adult and \$4.00 for children 10 and under.

**Softball Season has begun!** The team is now playing on Monday nights at Ironbridge Park, Field #7, due to the Friday night league filling up so quickly. This is a beautiful field and the concession stands are right next to the field. This is an awesome place to bring the children. Lots of room to run around and it's away from parking lots and moving vehicles. For those who wish to play, please contact Gregg or Donna Jenkins by phone or email (674-8718 or [vasoftball5@gmail.com](mailto:vasoftball5@gmail.com)). We're looking for everyone from last year to join again, and hope that a few of our younger folk will join us as well.

Sign up for giving through **Electronic Funds Transfer** on April 24 and May 1 immediately following both worship services. A voided check is needed to complete the enrollment. If you give regularly, this simplifies your life by automating your contributions. If you give occasionally, consider putting your faith into action by financially supporting the life changing ministries of your church all year long.

**Geranium Sale is here again!** Plants are \$4.50 a pot (4 1/2 inch pots). Plants will arrive on Friday, April 29. Contact Shirley Collins (745-3024) or place your order in the Church Office to support United Methodist Urban Ministries of Richmond.

Check out the updated **Missions bulletin board** that has been redone to include information about each of the projects the church is supporting with the Lenten and Easter offerings. There is also information about how you can make Kits for Conference.

**Please check in the Library for 8X10 directory pictures that were shipped to the church.**

## PRAYER MINISTRY

**Hospitalized:** Shirley Hathaway (Chippenham)

New Address: Don and Joy Keerans: Sutherland Place, 14016 Turnberry Lane, Midlothian, VA 23113 (Cell phone: 980-6569)

The prayer request forms are located in the narthex and may be placed in the offering plate or left in the office. In order to keep our GATHERED PRAYER CONCERNS list up-to-date, names will remain in the bulletin for four weeks. You may resubmit a request at any time.

**Our gathered prayer concerns:** Jeff Alred, **Virginia Anderson, the family of Arnold Ashburn**, the family of Robert Bennett, Diane Claiborne (Eula Phillips' cousin), Ed Driskill (LaVonne Stanley's father), Sheila and Bob Fogle (niece and nephew of Ken and Eula Phillips), Jessica Fulghum (Nancy and Tom Coffman's granddaughter), Dr. Perry T. Fuller (cousin of Barbara Ritch-Brant), Nancy Gillie, Effie Goins (sister-in-law of Ken and Eula Phillips), Shirley Goins (sister-in-law of Ken and Eula Phillips), **Kimberly Jones** (requested by Barbara Ritch-Brant), Caroline Lee (Roland Bodtke's sister), **Sylvia Mahaney** (Ann Busbee's mom), Mike Mercer (Kathy Smith's brother), Lewis Miller, **Bobby Norman, Nicole Norman**, Maxine O'Neal (sister of Joy Keeran's nurse aide), Barbara Ritch-Brant, Bruce Roeder (Isabell Bodtke's nephew), **Bea West** (aunt of Carolyn Bilski), **the family of Phyllis Wier** ( friend of Carolyn Bilski)

**Our service men and women, wherever they serve, and their families.**

Julia Berger	Kevin Judd	Megan Thomas Clark	Bobby Swanson
Nathan Berger	Kenneth Wagner	Cris Deyo	Brent Davis
Hunter Blankenship	Wayne Lee	Brian Wilson	Jennifer Collins
Bob Muchow	Tom Koertge—We are grateful for a safe return home!		

**Providence Church has an email Prayer Ministry.** Please call the Church Office at 276-4289 if you have an immediate need for which you think prayer is appropriate. The call should come from the person in need, or a member of his/her immediate family.

**Metro Richmond Prayer for April 17, 2011:** We pray for the Spirit of the Resurrection in Metropolitan Richmond: For a spirit of hope, of possibility, of eternal life, and of commitment to the redeeming power of God who brings new life out of death to people and communities.