

PALM SUNDAY

MARCH 24, 2024

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Welcome to Fairport UMC! We embrace the gift of diversity of our community and our world and proclaim that all persons are created in God's image. We celebrate all ways that the human family of Christ finds its diversity. Our vision is to nurture ALL people on their life journeys and to bring God's love to the world. *Masks are currently optional. Disposable masks are available in the coatroom and narthex for those who would like one.*

CHILDREN

We are glad you are here! There is a cart in the Narthex with Children's Activity Bags. We love to have children stay in worship (wiggles and giggles are welcomed and sacred sounds). We are not currently offering a staffed nursery, but the nursery room is available and open to parents and little ones. The service is also livestreamed in the nursery so you and your child can still participate in worship! Sunday School (children/youth/adult) is at 9am.

OPEN TABLE

Communion is celebrated once a month (usually on the first Sunday of the month) and all (including children) are welcome at the table. We use all gluten/dairy free bread. If you don't want to receive communion but would like a blessing, you can indicate that to the pastor.

WORSHIP ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

*indicates to stand in body or spirit

bold print indicates congregational response

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal (large blue hymnal)

FWS – The Faith We Sing (small black hymnal)

W&S – Worship & Song (small green hymnal)



FUMC is a Reconciling Congregation where all persons of any age, gender, gender identity, race, ethnic origin, economic reality, family status, sexual orientation, diverse ability or social status are welcome without reservation to share in God's love.

→ GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE →

*It's time to celebrate; we are in the presence of God.
We invite you to prepare your hearts to receive God's love.*

The chimes call us to gather.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Return to You
from *A Sanctified Art*
Nicole Camilleri & Ed Caskey

Olgun

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing songs of loudest praise!

Hosanna!

Sing songs that are unashamed.

Hosanna!

Sing songs without being afraid.

Hosanna!

Sing for the God of tomorrow and today.

Hosanna!

Let us worship the One worthy to be praised.

*HYMN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

UMH 280

— LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD —

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Holy God, we want to run into the streets and sing your praise!

We want to be bold and unashamed of this good-news Gospel.

However, too often we find ourselves standing against the wall.

Too often we stay quiet.

Too often we let others carry the song.

**Forgive us for the moments when we could lead the parade
but instead find ourselves standing on the sidelines.**

Show us which songs are ours to sing.

Show us which parades are ours to lead,

and then give us the courage and conviction to do both.

With hope and honesty we pray, amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*GOSPEL READING

John 12: 1-16

For the Word of God in Scripture; For the Word of God among us;
For the Word of God within us. **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM (10:30)

Hosanna! Blessed Is He!
Joyful Noise Choir

Judge & Houts

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:30)

*PASSING THE PEACE

*HYMN

Filled With Excitement

UMH 279

MESSAGE

Wandering Heart: "Songs of loudest praise"

Rev. Richelle Goff

— RESPONDING IN LOVE —

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Hosanna!

Courtney

(9:00) Early Choir (10:30) Chancel Choir
Mick George, percussion

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 400, vs. 1

**Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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.

*You are invited to use a name for God that is most meaningful to you.

– MOVING IN GOD’S WAY –

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in Jesus of Nazareth,
who rode through the streets of Jerusalem on a donkey.
We believe in Jesus of Nazareth,
who challenged Rome’s oppressive power with peaceful protest.
We believe in Jesus of Nazareth,
who was surrounded by crowds of dreamers and believers.
We believe in Jesus of Nazareth,
so even today, we will sing songs of loudest praise.
Hosanna!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

*HYMN

Lift High the Cross

UMH 159

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Lift High the Cross

Shackley

Let us take these few moments for preparation,
for worship is over the service begins.

FLOWERS IN WORSHIP

Today’s flowers are given by Bernadette Eilertsen in
memory of her husband, John Eilertsen, Sr.

Additional flowers are given by Dodie Maier in loving memory of her husband, Ray.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- For Myla who is currently in ICU with pneumonia and is on a ventilator. (Myla is a student in my sister’s 2nd grade classroom - Joy Leinenbach).
- For the Hartnett family, on the sudden passing of Bill's brother, Francis.
- For Barbara Bermudez & her family, she entered hospice care. Barbara is Barry's mother.
- For Joanne Bater, who is dealing with health issues.
- For Ruth Howard, who returned to the Fairport Baptist Home and is now in Room G2-04
- For Lori Lorraine's friend Al who was on our list before. He is back in the hospital.
- For people everywhere dealing with extreme weather and hazardous conditions.
- For peace in our world, instead of war, oppression, injustice, and violence.
- For the Middle East, Ukraine and other countries in the midst of the horror of war.

We continue our prayers for those who are in need of continued healing

Becky Gualtieri, Susan Grau, Ed Lewek, Barb George, Shirley Robinson,
Chip Rieck, Sandy Baldwin, Carol & Frank Mueller, Courtney Pedersen, Judy Darrer,
Jeff Latsha, John Hall, Jen Simpson, Marlene Beisler, Annie Taggart

We pray for all those who are homebound or in nursing homes

Shirley Ward, Cindy Jack, Carol Snow, Ruth Howard, Cindy Stanton,
Emmet and Marge Vanderburgh, Wally Robinson (CT), Dave and Carolyn Hebert (KY)

SERVICE MUSIC TEXTS

Return to You

*I've read the stories of heartache and of glory. I've prayed every prayer for you.
And I've tasted glory because you say we're worthy. I've sung every song for you.*

But I have a wandering heart and a fickle faith.

Can you find me here, can I see your face?

REFRAIN:

Help me return to you. There's nothing I'd rather do than return to you.

The storm may rise, the trumpet sound, the curtain tear, and even now,

Return to you, there's nothing I'd rather do than return to you.

I'll leave the boat, but when the storm comes, I'll let go and I'll sink faster than a stone.

And I've called your name when the world is full of pain,

But I still need to see your hands.

Cause I have a wandering heart and a fickle faith.

Can you find me here, can I see your face?

REFRAIN

Hosanna!

Hosanna to the royal son of David's ancient line!

His natures two, his person one, mysterious and divine.

Hosanna we sing; hosanna to Jesus Christ the King.

The root of David, here we find, and offspring are the same:

Eternity and time are joined in our Immanuel's name.

Hosanna we sing; hosanna to Jesus Christ the King.

Blest he that comes to sinful man with peaceful news from heaven!

Hosannas, of the highest strain, to Christ the Lord be given.

Hosanna we sing; hosanna to Jesus Christ the King.

Let mortals ne'er refuse to take Hosanna on their tongues,

Lest rocks and stones should rise and break their silence into songs.

Hosanna we sing; hosanna to Jesus Christ the King.

Hosanna! Blessed Is He!

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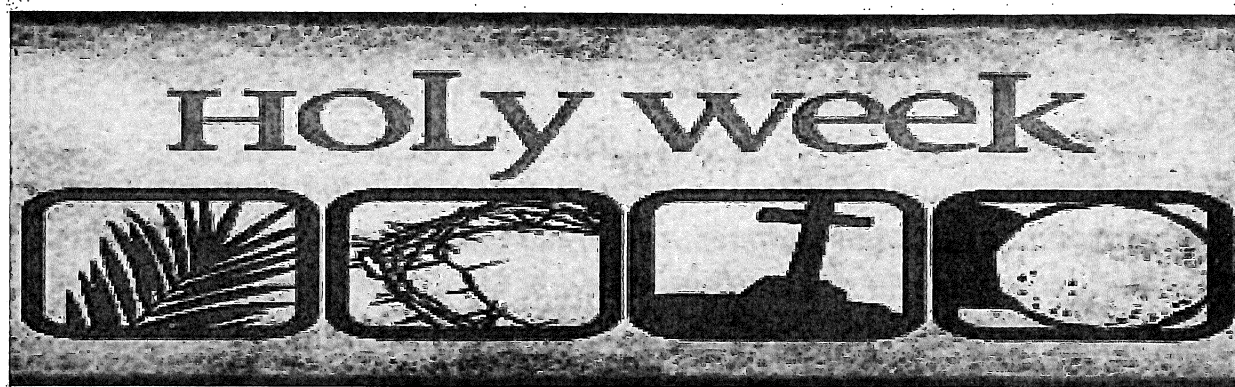
*Hosanna, blessed is he! Blessed is Jesus who comes!
Hosanna, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!*

*Wave your palm branches high! Hosanna, blessed is he!
Jesus comes riding a donkey! Hosanna, blessed is he!* REFRAIN

*Make a path for the King! Hosanna, blessed is he!
Welcome our Savior, Messiah! Hosanna, blessed is he!* REFRAIN

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna! Wave your palm branches high!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sunday, March 24th

Palm Sunday Worship @ 9 & 10:30am
(Joyful Noise Singing)

Thursday, March 28th

Maundy Thursday Worship @ 7:00pm
(Communion)

Friday, March 29th

Good Friday Ecumenical Cross Walk @ 12pm
(We will meet at First Congregational UCC)
Good Friday Tenebrae Service @ 7:00pm

Saturday, March 30th

Easter Egg Hunt @ The Rieck Farm @ 3pm

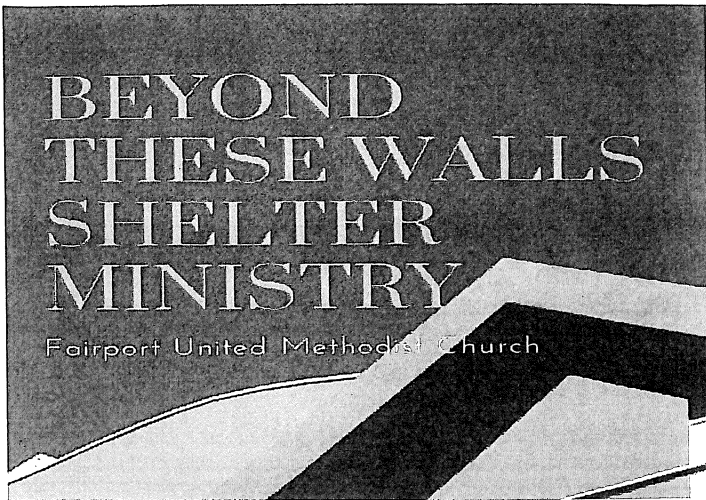
Sunday, March 31st

Easter Sunday Service @ 9 & 10:30am

Opportunities to serve during Holy Week:

- Reading a scripture passage during the cross walk
- Helping to carry the cross (each church takes a turn)
- Reading scripture during the Good Friday Worship Service
- Helping to Usher or Greet on EASTER!

Please let Pastor Richelle know if you are willing to help!



Volunteers needed for the March 24th visit (Today!) to the Francis Center.

Please help serve a meal at the Francis Center on March 24th.

We will meet at the church at 5pm and car-pool.

Please see the sign-up board in the main hallway (across from the church office).

Thank you!



Easter Egg Hunt -1485 Walworth Penfield Rd.

The Easter Egg Hunt at the Rieck farm will be held Saturday, March 30th, the day before Easter! This annual event is a beloved tradition where EVERYONE is invited!

Join other families from church at the Rieck family farm! Arrive at 2:30 and **the egg hunt begins promptly at 3pm!** There will be fun for all! **Be sure to dress for the weather.**

Boots are highly suggested and encouraged



New Adult Forum Class Eclipsing Empire: Paul, Rome, and the Kingdom of God

Join New Testament scholars Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan on location in Turkey as they trace the Apostle Paul's footsteps throughout the Roman Empire.

This video study explores fresh insights into Paul's message of the Kingdom of God, its challenge to Roman imperial theology, and the apostle's radical relevance for today

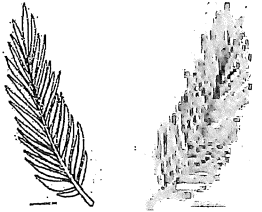
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SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP THIS WEEK

	Sunday, March 24 8am 9am & 10:30am 11:40am 12:30pm 5pm 6pm	Early Choir - S Worship Bike Trip Mtg. - FH Sunday Dinner - FH Beyond These Walls Shelter visit - Francis Center Boy Scout Leader's Mtg. - P
	Monday, March 25 1pm 7pm 7:30pm	Godmothers Group - 204 Boy Scouts - FH Men's Bible Study - Zoom
	Tuesday, March 26 10am 6:30pm	Staff Meeting - P Joyful Noise - 206
	Wednesday, March 27 7pm	Bill Hartnett - FH, Chancel Choir - 113, S
	Thursday, March 28 6:00pm 7pm	Bell Choir - S Maundy Thursday Service
	Friday, March 29 10:30am Noon 7pm	Heart Listening Small Group Ecumenical Cross Walk-First Congregational UCC Good Friday Service
	Saturday, March 30 12pm	Al Anon - FH
	Sunday, March 31 Happy Easter!	Worship

MINISTERS AND STAFF OF FUMC

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HELPING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Livestream Operator: Julie Woodruff

Joyful Noise Choir: Stacy Young, accompanist

Jack Romagnola, Lori Lorraine, Lorraine Rieck, assistants

Readers: 9am - Nancy Romagnola 10:30am - Avery Enser

Feed the Spirit: Jennie Guy & United Women in Faith