

April 13, 2025, 11 am
Olean First Presbyterian Church
Palm Sunday

Prelude ~ *The King Rides In* ~ Lani Smith

Good Morning Saints

Announcements

Choral Introit

God is Good

Everyday

And Everyday

God is Good

Call to Worship

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

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

This is the day the Lord has made.

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Let us rejoice and be glad.

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, as we enter this Holy Week, strengthen us to move beyond the festive parade of palms and to follow Jesus into the way of the cross, that united with him and all the faithful, we may one day enter through the gates of righteousness into the eternal city, the New Jerusalem, where we may praise you with Christ and the Holy Spirit forever. **Amen.**

Children's Time

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

God, our light and our salvation, does not forsake us or leave us with our sin.

In Christ we are forgiven and offered the gift of healing repentance. Thanks be to God!

*Hymn ~ *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* ~ No. 197

Hosanna, loud hosanna,
the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple
the joyful 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.

Prayers of the People

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Minute for Mission ~ One Great Hour of Sharing, Craig Polson

Presentation of the Offering

*Doxology ~ No. 606

**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

Anthem ~ *The Palms* ~ J. Faure

Passing of the Peace

Prayer for Illumination ~ No. 455

Listen to the word that God has spoken;
listen to the One who is close at hand;
listen to the voice that began creation;
listen even if you don't understand.

Readings

Psalm 24

¹The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it;
²for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.
³Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?
⁴Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.
⁵They will receive blessing from the Lord, and vindication from the God of their salvation.
⁶Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. Selah
⁷Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.
⁸Who is the King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle.
⁹Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.
¹⁰Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah

Luke 19:28-40

²⁸After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" ³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

Music for Meditation

*Hymn ~ *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!* ~ No. 263

All hail the power of Jesus' name!

Let angels prostrate fall;

bring forth the royal diadem,

and crown him Lord of all!

Bring forth the royal diadem,

and crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,

ye ransomed from the fall,

hail him who saves you by his grace,

and crown him Lord of all!

Hail him who saves you by his grace,

and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe

on this terrestrial ball

to him all majesty ascribe,

and crown him Lord of all!

To him all majesty ascribe,

and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng

we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song,

and crown him Lord of all!

We'll join the everlasting song,

and crown him Lord of all!

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

Postlude ~ *Hosanna* ~ Roland Diggle

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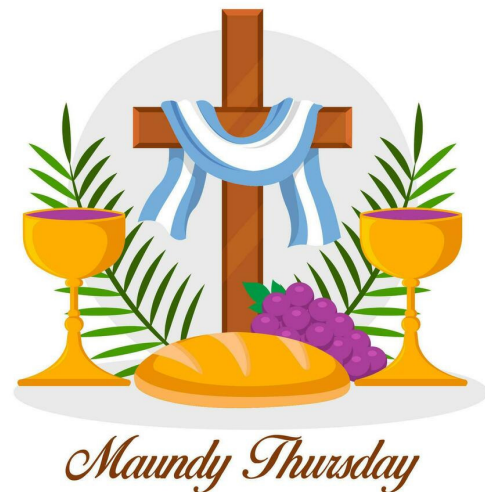


Plan to stay for our Pot Luck
Lunch today after worship!

Maundy Thursday Service

**Thursday, April 17th,
6:30pm**

**Join us for a
Chapel Service.**



Dinner Out

April 30th, 5pm

Kopper Keg

11 East Main St., Cuba

Join us for food, fun and fellowship!
Please sign up in Fellowship Hall.

Prayer List

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| Margaret Quigley | Emily Kennedy | Matt Isenberg |
| Judy Sanchez | Martin Hatch | Craig Polson |
| Joe Gullo | David | Chase Ewoldt |
| Dale Isenberg | Diane Trippany | Avrie Sinesiou |
| Joseph Kwiatkowski | Alyssa Daly and Family | Renee Ensell |
| Ken Stebbins | Punkie & Craig Sinesiou | Kim Whitney |
| Judi Blair | Barbara Compher | Carol Bess |
| Thomas Burian | Sylvia Lynch | Bruce Levine |
| Dee Lorentz | Ron Register | |

***Please let the office know who can be removed and who needs to be added.
Thank you for your help! ***

Happy Birthday to:
18 - Dale Dutton

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF 4/13/25

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| Sunday – April 13 | 9:30am Bible Study 11am Worship ~ Palm Sunday Noon Pot Luck Lunch |
| Tuesday - April 15 | 6:30pm Scouts |
| Wednesday - April 16 | Noon PW Meeting 5pm Burt Meeting |
| Thursday - April 17 | 5:30pm BYO Dinner 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Service 6:30 Scouts 7pm Choir 7pm Bible Study |
| Friday - April 18 | 10am Coffee & Conversation at N Union Tim Hortons Noon Good Friday in Lincoln Park |
| Sunday – April 20 | 9:30am Bible Study 11am Worship ~ Easter Noon Easter Egg Hunt |

If you wish to speak with Pastor Bruce, please call 716-378-6773.