

Sunday, March 28, 2021 Palm Sunday

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rachel Pedersen

Rejoice greatly, shout aloud! Your Savior comes to you; **triumphant and victorious is he,** humble and riding on a donkey. **Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**Hosanna in the highest!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of heaven and earth,
we give you thanks for sending us Jesus Christ
in your name.
Even though we profess to follow him,
we confess that in times of trial we too often deny him.

Forgive us and heal us, we pray. Help us to put our faith not in the rulers of this world, but only in the Prince of Peace.

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.

HYMN 196 All Glory, Laud, and Honor VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 11:17–27; 12:12–19 Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON I Am the Resurrection and the Life Agnes W. Norfleet

Sixth in Lenten Series: Who Do You Say That I Am?

ANTHEM Ride On! Grayston Ives

Sanctuary Choir Staff Singers

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hark, all the tribes hosanna cry, thy humble beast pursues his road with palms and scattered garments strowed. Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die, O Christ thy triumph now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin. Ride on, ride on in majesty! The winged squadrons of the sky look down with sad and wond'ring eyes to see the approaching sacrifice. Ride on, ride on in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh; the Father on his sapphire throne awaits his own anointed Son. Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die; bow thy meek head to mortal pain, then take, O God, thy power and reign.

CALL TO OFFERING PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

HYMN 221 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded PASSION CHORALE

BENEDICTION Agnes W. Norfleet

POSTLUDE The Palms Jean Langlais

Baptism on March 28 during the 10:00 a.m.

十 "I am the resurrection and the life." Gwen G. Biswas ~ March 18, 2021

Baptism on March 28 during the 10:00 a.m.
Palm Sunday Family Service
Child: Henry Michael Conway
Parents: Laura Vanderkam & Michael Conway

Announcement

COVID-19 RESOURCES. The Caring Ministries team has compiled a list of various resources to help you continue navigating the COVID-19 pandemic. Resources include vaccination and testing information by county; crisis and peer-support phone lines; support group information; and ways to receive food, financial, legal and healthcare assistance. All this information is on a new COVID-19 Resource page under the Caring Ministries section of the BMPC website.

Holy Week

PALM SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE. 10:00 a.m., Front Lawn. Prerecorded Traditional Palm Sunday Worship Service video also available on the church website at 10:00 a.m.

FACEBOOK LIVE CONCERT SERIES. Join us as we broadcast our final live concert of the season via <u>BMPC's Facebook page</u> on Tuesday, March 30 at noon. This concert will feature Jeffrey Brillhart, organ. <u>Download program</u>. <u>Stephanie Speakman</u>.

OUTDOOR LABYRINTH. On Maundy Thursday, between 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., the labyrinth will be outside on the lawn in front of the Chapel. Participants will have the option of walking the Stations of the Cross. Masks and social distancing required.

MAUNDY THURSDAY LIVESTREAMED SERVICE. 7:00 p.m. You are invited to view these services via <u>BMPC's Facebook page</u>, the <u>BMPC YouTube channel</u> or the <u>livestream page</u> on the church website.

GOOD FRIDAY YOUTH PRAYER STATIONS. 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Front Lawn. Masks and social distancing required.

Easter Sunday

EASTER MORNING PRAYER SERVICES. You are invited to <u>pre-register</u> for our Easter morning prayer services which will be offered outside on the front lawn at <u>6:30</u>, <u>8:00</u>, 9:30 (full) and 11:00 a.m. (full) and <u>12:30</u> p.m. Capacity is limited to 85 attendees at each service.

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE. A pre-recorded traditional Easter worship service video with brass, choir and sermon will be available at 9:00 a.m. on the <u>church website</u> on Easter Sunday.

Upcoming

LONGWOOD GARDENS: GRAND DESIGNS. Fri., April 23 at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom conference call. Join us for a presentation by Paul B. Redman, President and CEO of Longwood Gardens who is known for his dedication to beauty and sustainability of gardens. Have you ever wondered how the gardens were planned and planted? Paul will discuss the overall grand design of Longwood Gardens, one of the Philadelphia area's most visited attractions. Register to receive the Zoom link at MDevane@bmpc.org.

CONVERSATIONS ON A LENS OF LOVE: READING THE BIBLE IN ITS WORLD FOR OUR WORLD. Sun., April 25 at 11:00 a.m. via Zoom conference call or Sun., May 16 at 2:00 p.m. on the BMPC Campus. As we prepare to welcome Jonathan L. Walton as our 2021 Theologian in Residence, we also are offering an opportunity to discuss his book, A Lens of Love, on April 25 via Zoom, or an in-person conversation at BMPC on May 16. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick will lead these conversations. Please sign up here to reserve a copy of the book and to choose which session you wish to attend. Questions? RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org.

2021 THEOLOGIAN IN RESIDENCE. Sat., May 1, 10:00 a.m., and Sun., May 2, 2:00 p.m. via Zoom conference call. We are delighted to host Johnathan L. Walton, Dean of Wake Forest Divinity School, as this year's Theologian in Residence. Dean Walton will present two lectures during the weekend, and he also will be our preacher for our pre-recorded worship on May 2. Walton is considered a leader in the national and church conversation on race, justice and faith. For more details about the Theologian in Residence program and registration links, please visit our website. Pre-registration is required for both lectures. Questions? Contact RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org.

VIRTUAL SMOKEFREE PROGRAM. Main Line Health's SmokeFREE program is a free six-week behavior management program designed to help smokers/vapers quit. Participants may be eligible to receive free nicotine replacement therapy. Six different sessions available with start dates in April and May. <u>View flyer</u>. To register for any SmokeFREE class, call 484-227-FREE (3733).