

# Holy Week 2009



*Palm/Passion Sunday - April 5*



*Maundy Thursday - April 9*  
*7:00 p.m.*



*Good Friday - April 10*  
*7:30 p.m.*

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# The Days of Holy Week:

**Palm Sunday** is the specific day when we remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Many churches reenact Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on this Sunday during the season of Lent. This practice can be traced back to the fourth century in the city of Jerusalem. During this procession, participants carry palms and other branches into the church. The church becomes a symbol of the city of Jerusalem. After the procession with palms, the worship service that follows becomes more somber as Holy Week begins.



**Maundy Thursday** is the Thursday that occurs during Holy Week. The emphasis for this Thursday is on Jesus' new commandment of love: "Love one another even as I have loved you." The word "maundy" comes from the English form of the Latin *mandatum*, which means commandment. Maundy Thursday is a combination of three things—a time to commemorate the Last Supper, a time when penitents are reconciled to the family of believers, and a time to prepare for Baptism. It is also a time when the discipline of Lent is concluded with forgiveness. Jesus' new commandment to his disciples, "Love one another even as I have loved you," contrasts sharply with Judas' betrayal at the completion of the Last Supper. Jesus' love for all people is demonstrated by his service to others, as well as in his gift of himself for our salvation. The washing of the disciples' feet as part of the Last Supper was a concrete example of the loving service Jesus shared with his followers. Foot washing is often a part of Maundy Thursday celebrations today, as a response to the new commandment and as a symbol of Christian charity and service.



**Good Friday**, the Friday during Holy Week, became widely kept as a commemoration of the cross by the end of the fourth century. On Good Friday, we emphasize a time of reflection, intercession, and adoration of Christ as the sacrificial lamb. Like many churches, we commemorate Good Friday with a Tenebrae service, remembering the last night of Jesus' life and the betrayals and trials he suffered, using the symbol of increasing darkness. This form of worship dates from the seventh century and has been named "tenebrae," a word meaning "darkness" or "shadows."



# Palm and Passion Sunday Holy Communion



April 5, 2009

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THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

## GATHERING

(9:30/11:00) VOLUNTARY Variations on "Valet Will Ich Dir Geben"  
*Michael Burkhardt*

## LIFE IN THE CHURCH

*Please sign the Friendship Book in each pew near the center aisle and pass it along your pew or to others sitting nearby. As it returns, note with whom you worship so that you may greet each other after the service.*

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

**Zechariah 9:9**

One: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!  
People: **Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!  
Lo, your king comes to you;  
triumphant and victorious is he,  
humble and riding on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.**

## PROCLAIMING

\*PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

Mark 11:1-11

One: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

All: **Hosanna in the highest!**

One: Let us pray:

All: **O Lord Jesus Christ, on this day you received the worship of those who hailed you as their King:**

**Accept our praise and adoration, our worship and love;**

**and grant that we, who now confess you with our lips,**

**may never fail to give you the service of our lives,**

**for the honor of your holy name,**

**for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,**

**one God, world without end. Amen.**

(9:30/11:00) PROCESSION

\*HYMN 88 All Glory, Laud, and Honor *Valet Will Ich Dir Geben*

ANTHEM The King of Glory Comes

*Jim Taylor*

*Have you heard the latest word about the man of Galilee? Have you heard about the things that he's doing: turned the water into wine, healed the leper, cured the blind? Have you heard about the daring things that he's been saying to the Pharisees? I hear they want to capture him and kill him. I hear he is the King to come! Have you heard the latest word about the man of Galilee? Have you heard about the things that he's saying: teaching of the things above, God is mercy, truth and love, saying that his coming is fulfilling words of Moses and of Abraham? I hear that he may be the true Messiah. I hear he is the King to come! What's this coming down the street? A royal procession! The King of glory comes, Jerusalem, Hosanna! The day of triumph comes: hosanna in the highest! Behold, he comes, the holy Lamb of God. Oh, blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna!*

Hosanna Choir

(9:30/11:00) A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

*The children may come to the chancel steps to meet one of the pastors.*

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

Mark 11:27-33 (N.T., p. 48)

One: The word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

\*HYMN 89 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

*Ellacombe*

SERMON After the Parade

## RESPONDING

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

(9:30/11:00) ANTHEM Who Passes Yonder Through the Throng?

Dale Wood

*Who passes yonder through the throng, in midst of great commotion?  
What shouting this, a victor's song? A cry of deep devotion? They come  
this way. I see Him while in wonder I watch the crowd cast garments in  
His path. Hosanna. No earthly monarch treads the road of palms spread  
far before Him. With face serene, His glance is kind, withdrawn from all  
the ringing of children running on behind, their voices raised in singing.  
Hosanna! Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord! He passes  
by. He looks my way. My heart leaps up within me. My Lord and Master!  
From this day, my life is given to Thee!*

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: Let us pray . . .

. . . we lift our hearts in joyful praise, singing:

People

Singing: *Holy, holy, holy, God of power and majesty,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory, O God most high!*

Leader: We praise you, most holy God . . .  
. . . now and forever. Amen.

Leader and People:

**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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION

*All communion chalices and cups for pew communion contain only non-alcoholic grape juice. Worshipers may remain in the pews to be served by Elders and Deacons.*

COMMUNION MUSIC *The congregation sings.*

Hymn 85 What Wondrous Love Is This?

*Wondrous Love*

Hymn 80 Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

*Lonesome Valley*

Hymn 93 Ah, Holy Jesus

*Herzliebster Jesu*

THE COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul;

People: **and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!**

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul;

People: **and forget not all God's blessings.**

\*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE Amen

Jon Ophoff

*During the season of Lent, our attitude of somber meditation will continue through the end of the service. Festive voluntaries will resume on Easter morning.*

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**THE PREACHER** at the 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. worship services is the Reverend Douglas J. Brouwer. The preacher at the 5:45 p.m. worship service is the Reverend Aaron Janklow.

**PARTICIPATING** in the worship services are the Reverend Jim Monnett at 8:00 a.m.; the Reverends Brewster H. Gere, Julie Marks, and Melissa Anne Rogers at 9:30 a.m.; the Reverends Brewster H. Gere, Aaron Janklow, and Jana Reister at 11:00 a.m.; and the Reverend Deborah Knott at 5:45 p.m.

**THE PIANIST AT 8:00 A.M.** is Jon Ophoff.

**THE CHANCEL CHOIR CONDUCTOR** is Susan Boggs.

**THE HOSANNA CHOIR CONDUCTOR** is Barbara Trevetan.

**THE HOSANNA CHOIR ACCOMPANIST** is Jan Leckrone.

**THE ORGANISTS** are Susan Boggs and Carol Muehlig.

**THE READERS** are Harris McClamroch at 8:00 a.m., Dan Hayes at 9:30 a.m., and confirmand Alyssa Scheske at 11:00 a.m.

**THE GREETERS** at 9:30 a.m. are Tom and Jean Dickinson and Gig Olsen; and at 11:00 a.m. are Dale and Pru Heikkinen and Joanne Hertler.

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given in loving memory of John Deane Baker by his parents Deane and Marilyn and his sisters Jamie, Wendy and Betsy and their families. "One short sleep past we wake eternally and death shall be no more." - John Donne

**THE ROSEBUD WELCOMES** Elizabeth Christine Passe, born February 28, 2009, daughter of Troy Passe and Paula Gill Passe, sister of Joseph and Samuel Passe, and granddaughter of Clem and Margo Gill.

**A FAREWELL RECEPTION** for the Reverend Douglas J. Brouwer will be held today in the Social Hall following the 11:00 a.m. worship service. He has accepted a call to be pastor/head of staff of First Presbyterian Church in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

## Today's Events

**WORSHIP** is at 8:00 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. in Monteith Hall, and at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

**PALM SUNDAY YOUTH BAKE SALE:** Fresh baked goods are available outside all three morning services today! Purchase a goodie and show your support for the youth program's Costa Rica Mission Team! Help the twenty-three First Pres high schoolers travel to Costa Rica June 21 - 30, to build a low-income housing apartment building and rehab a church.

**THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING SPECIAL OFFERING** is being received today. Adults, special offering envelopes are available in the pews for your contribution, if you need them. Children, be sure to drop off your One Great Hour of Sharing fish bank in your Sunday school classroom. If you forgot to bring it this Sunday, feel free to return during the next few weeks.

Recognizing that our treasure is God's children, One Great Hour of Sharing helps us keep individuals, their families, and their communi-

ties in our hearts by supporting three Presbyterian assistance programs; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. This offering provides a way for us to meet our brothers and sisters in their times of need and to share the treasure of God's renewing love with them. Our gifts allow us to relay the message of the risen Christ, "I am with you always, to the end of the age." Today, through One Great Hour of Sharing, let us put our gifts where our heart and treasure are.

**CHURCH SCHOOL** meets today at 9:30 a.m. for crib-12th grade and at 11:00 a.m. for crib-5th grade. Parents may be asked to present a picture I.D. when they pick up their children.

**ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES:**

**At 9:30 a.m. in the French Room/Library**, the Rev. Ed Koster continues to lead the class through the Bible, book by book.

**At 11:00 a.m. in the Lewis Room**, Dr. Waldemar Schmeichel will present the second of two sessions on "Violence and the Cross."

**FIRST COUPLES** meets at 9:30 a.m. in the Curtis Room. Today, they are viewing the DVD, *The Missional Church*.

**CURIOUS ABOUT PRESBYTERIAN BELIEFS OR JOINING** First Presbyterian? Come to the Inquirers/New Members Class, today at 9:30 a.m. in the Lewis Room and on Sunday, April 19.

**SCRIP CARDS ARE ON SALE AT COFFEE HOUR TODAY** and Sunday, April 19. Go to [glscrip.com](http://glscrip.com) to see a list of stores offering scrip cards that will donate to the youth and mission programs at First Pres. Also, Kroger is changing how it handles donations to non-profit organizations. See Craig Blogin at the Scrip table at coffee hour for more details.

Beginning May 1, Kroger will use its own Kroger Plus card, rather than a separate SCRIP card, to track grocery expenditures and determine donation amounts. To activate your Kroger Plus cards for donations to our church, go online to [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com). Enter **either** First Presbyterian Church Ann Arbor mission **or** First Presbyterian Church Ann Arbor YEMC. You may sign up without going on line by calling (800) 837-4483. It will take 7 to 10 days for your Kroger Plus card to be activated. Note: Kroger SCRIP cards cannot be **reloaded** after May 1, but you can spend the remaining amount on it.

**ALPHA HOUSE NEEDS YOU!** The Interfaith Hospitality Network of Washtenaw County established Alpha House, 4290 Jackson Road, to provide temporary shelter to homeless families in the county. First Pres' spring commitment week is May 4-10. Look for the sign-up poster in the Social Hall for volunteer openings to help cook, baby sit, play with children, shop to stock the pantry, or stay overnight. About fifty volunteers are needed during the week, so any help you can give is greatly appreciated. This is a wonderful way for volunteers of all ages to reach out and serve the needs of our local community. Questions? Contact Nancy Vander Kuyf (741-1814), Lucie Audette (998-0152), or Wendy Rampson (994-4920) for more information.

The Alpha House Committee, with only three members, is too small! If this is an area of interest for you, we need your help. We do not hold committee meetings. Our focus is on First Pres' three assigned host weeks per year, in September, December, and in May. Even if you could help only once a year, we would welcome your support.

**FIRST SINGLES** meets at 11:00 a.m. in the Curtis Room. Today, First Singles members meet to play *Trivial Pursuit* and other games.

**RADIO WORSHIP** service is at 11:00 a.m. on WAAM (1600 AM) and on WAAM's website, [waamannarbor.com](http://waamannarbor.com).

**THE PRESBYTERIAN ORCHESTRA** will rehearse today at 4:00 p.m. in the Youth Room.

**CAMPUS MEAL:** Students, join us in the Curtis Room after the 5:45 p.m. worship service, for the Campus Meal. We invite all university students and college-aged individuals to attend this time of fellowship and enjoy a free meal together!

**KEYSTONES** does not meet today (30-Hour Famine weekend), or April 12 and 19.

**The weekly announcements are listed at the end of this booklet.**

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THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

7:00 p.m.

VOLUNTARY    Jesu, Priceless Treasure

*Johann Walther*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 116

Leader: I love you, Lord! You answered my prayers.

People: **You paid attention to me,  
and so I will pray to you as long as I live.**

Leader: You have been so good to me.

People: **So, I will lift up the cup of salvation;  
I will pray in your name.**

Leader: Lord, you are deeply concerned  
when your people face death.

People: **You watch over the innocent  
and rescue your people from death.**

Leader: I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving;

People: **I will shout praises to the Lord!**

\*HYMN 515    Now to Your Table Spread

*Love Unknown*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, whose covenant with us lasts forever, we confess that we fail to seek and do your will. Though you have promised yourself to us, we fail to promise ourselves to you. In Jesus Christ you serve us freely, but we refuse your love and withhold ourselves from others. We do not love you fully or love each other as you command. In your mercy, forgive us. Help us to receive your love, and change our hearts to be more Christ-like. Lead us once again to your table and unite us with Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace.

## SILENT CONFESSION

### RESPONSE

**O Lord, Hear My Prayer**  
(please sing twice)

*music from the Taizé community*

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: "O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call an - swer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: Come and lis - ten to me. O". The piece ends with a "Fine" marking over a final chord.

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

**ANTHEM Drop, Drop, Slow Tears**

*Robert Graham*

*Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beauteous feet, which brought from heaven the news and Prince of Peace. Cease not, wet eyes, His mercy to entreat; to cry for vengeance sin doth never cease. In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears, nor let His eye see sin, but through my tears. Amen.*

## A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

*The children may come to the chancel steps to meet one of the pastors.*

## SCRIPTURE READING

John 13:1-17 (N.T., p. 107-8)

**Leader:** The word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN 513 Let Us Break Bread Together**

*Let Us Break Bread*

*Verses 1 and 2. Please remain seated.*

**SERMON** Receive

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

### THE SETTING OF THE LORD'S TABLE

**ANTHEM** Prayer to Jesus

*George Oldroyd*

*Jhesu, since Thou me made and bought be Thou my love and all my thought, and help that I may to Thee be brought, withouten Thee I may do nought. Jhesu, since Thou must do Thy will, and nothing is that Thee may let, with Thy grace my heart fulfill, my love and my liking in Thee is set. Jhesu at thy will I pray that I might be, all my heart fulfill, with perfect love to Thee. That I have done ill Jhesu forgive Thou me, and suffer me never to spill, Jhesu for pity, Amen. Amen.*

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Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: Let us pray . . .

. . . we lift our hearts in joyful praise, singing:

People

Singing:



Ha - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,  
God of power and maj - es - ty, heaven and earth are  
full of your glo - ry, O God most high!

Leader: We praise you, most holy God . . .

. . . now and forever. Amen.

Leader and People:

**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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION

*All communion chalices contain only non-alcoholic grape juice. Communion will be served by intinction. Beginning with the front pews, worshipers are invited to come forward by the center aisle, receive a wafer of bread and dip it in the chalice, partake, and return to their pews by a side aisle. Those unable to come forward will be served in their pews.*

COMMUNION MUSIC At the Cry of the First Bird Gilbert Martin

*At the cry of the first bird, they began to crucify Thee, O cheek like a swan. It was not right ever to cease lamenting; it was like parting of day from night. Ah, though sore the suffering put upon the body of Mary's Son, sorer to Him was the grief upon her for His sake. At the cry of the first bird, they began to crucify Thee, O cheek like a swan.*

COMMUNION PRAYER

**God of grace, your Son Jesus Christ left us this holy meal of bread and wine in which we share his body and blood. May we who have celebrated this sign of his great love show in our lives the fruits of his redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 94 An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare O Waly Waly**  
*Verses 1 through 3.*

**STRIPPING OF THE CHURCH**

*The candles are extinguished and the table furnishings, linens, and paraments are removed.*

*All may depart in silence.*

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**THE PREACHER** is the Reverend Jana Reister.

**ASSISTING** at the service are Deborah MacVey and the Reverends Brewster H. Gere, Aaron Janklow, Deborah Knott, Julie Marks, Jim Monnett, Jana Reister, and Melissa Anne Rogers.

**THE CHANCEL CHOIR CONDUCTOR** is Susan Boggs.

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# Good Friday Service of Tenebrae



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THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

7:30 p.m.

## +PROCESSION

*+All stand at the entrance of the cross.*

\*HYMN 76    My Song Is Love Unknown

*Love Unknown*

## PRAYER FOR GOOD FRIDAY

Dear people of God,  
God sent Jesus into the world, not to condemn the world,  
but that the world through him might be saved,  
that all who believe in him  
might be delivered from the power of sin and death  
and become heirs with him of eternal life.  
Let us pray for the one holy catholic and apostolic church  
of Christ throughout the world:  
that God will confirm the church in faith,  
increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

*(silent prayer)*

Almighty God,  
kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace,  
and guide with your wisdom  
those who take counsel for the nations of the earth,  
that justice and peace may increase, until the earth is filled  
with the knowledge of your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us pray for all who suffer  
And are afflicted in body or in mind:

For the hungry and homeless,  
the destitute and the oppressed,  
and all who suffer persecution, doubt, and despair,  
for the sorrowful and bereaved,  
for prisoners and captives,  
and those in mortal danger,

that God will comfort and relieve them,  
and grant them the knowledge of God's love,  
and stir up in us the will and patience  
to minister to their needs.

*(silent prayer)*

Eternal God of unchanging power and light,  
look with mercy on your whole church.  
bring to completion your saving work,  
so that the whole world may see  
the fallen lifted up,  
the old made new,  
and all things brought to perfection  
by him through whom all things were made,  
our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who was willing to be betrayed and suffer death on the cross;  
who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, forever and ever.

**Amen.**

## THE READING OF THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST

FIRST READING Luke 23: 1-38  
"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

ANTHEM John Sanders  
*The Reproaches*  
*O my people, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me! I led you out of Egypt, from slavery to freedom, but you led your Savior to the cross. O daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; but weep for yourselves and for your children. Seven times he spoke, seven words of love; Jesus our Lord is crucified.*

## SILENT MEDITATION

SECOND READING Luke 23: 39-43  
"Today thou shalt be with me in paradise."

ANTHEM John Sanders  
*The Reproaches*  
*O my people, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me? For forty years I led you safely through the desert. I fed you with manna from heaven and brought you to a land of plenty; but you led your Savior to the cross. Jesus, pitying the sighs of the thief who near him dies, promising him paradise; hear us, in your mercy, holy Jesus, and may we, in our guilt and shame, still call upon Thy name.*

SILENT MEDITATION

THIRD READING

John 19: 25b-27

“Woman, behold your son. Behold your mother.”

ANTHEM The Reproaches

*Stabat Mater*

*At the cross her station keeping, stood the mournful mother weeping, where he hung, the dying Lord; for her soul of joy bereaved, bowed with anguish, deeply grieved, felt the sharp and piercing sword. O how sad and sore distressed now was she, that mother blessed of the sole-begotten One. Deep the woe of her affliction, when she saw the crucifixion of her ever-glorious Son. Who, on Christ's dear mother gazing, pierced by anguish so amazing, born of woman, would not weep? Who, on Christ's dear mother thinking, such a cup of sorrow drinking, would not share her sorrows deep? For his people's sins chastised, she beheld her Son despised, scourged and crowned with thorns entwined; saw him then from judgment taken, and in death by all forsaken, till his spirit he resigned.*

SILENT MEDITATION

FOURTH READING

Matthew 27: 45-49

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

**HYMN 99 Throned Upon the Awful Tree**  
*verses 1 through 3*

*Arfon*

SILENT MEDITATION

FIFTH READING

John 19: 28-29

“I thirst.”

ANTHEM The Reproaches

*John Sanders*

*Holy is God! Holy and strong! Holy immortal One, have mercy on us. For forty years I led you safely through the desert. I fed you with manna from heaven and brought you to a land of plenty; but you led your Savior to the cross. What more could I have done for you? I planted you as my fairest vine, but you yielded only bitterness. When I was thirsty you gave me vinegar to drink, and you pierced your Savior's side with a lance. Jesus, thirst for us in your mercy, all your holy work to fulfill. May we thirst to know your love; and lead us in our sin to where the healing waters flow.*

SILENT MEDITATION

SIXTH READING

John 19: 30

“It is finished.”

**HYMN 97 Go to Dark Gethsemane**  
*verses 1 through 3*

*Redhead*

ANTHEM The Reproaches

*John Sanders*

*O my people, what have I done to you? How have I offended you? Answer me! I opened the sea before you, but you opened my side with a spear. I led you on your way in a pillar of cloud, but you led me to Pilate's court.*

SILENT MEDITATION

“Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit.”

ANTHEM The Reproaches

John Sanders

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**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*whispered in unison*)

**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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

+RECESSIONAL

+*All stand.*

*Please remain for prayer and quiet reflection, or leave in silence.*

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**LEADING THE SERVICE** are the Reverends Brewster H. Gere, Aaron Janklow, Deborah Knott, Julie Marks, Jim Monnett, Jana Reister, and Melissa Anne Rogers.

**THE ORGANIST** is Carol Muehlig.

**THE CHANCEL CHOIR CONDUCTOR** is Susan Boggs.

**MUSICAL NOTES:** The sung Reproaches on Good Friday are the traditional high point of the Good Friday liturgy. The familiar words of Christ say to each one of us, and directly to our hearts, “My people, My people, what have I done to you, how have I offended you?” Christ in the words of the reproaches rebukes us – by His great love He delivered us out of Egypt, out of our slavery and bondage, and how did we repay Him? We nailed Him to the cross. We repaid His love with hatred and indifference, we repaid His generosity with meanness and spite. May these ancient words, this ancient liturgy, speak to our very souls, and at the end let us keep silence, for we have no answer, but sin, our sin is the only answer to Christ’s cry, “My people, My people!” And in the silence let us renew our sorrow and marvel at this God who loves us so much that He bled and died upon a Cross of shame that we would have life, life in Him.

## Announcements

**THE SIXTH ANNUAL INDOOR EASTER EGG HUNT** is Saturday, April 11, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. The event starts in the Social Hall at 10:00 a.m. with some fun activities, followed by the Easter egg hunt at 10:30 a.m. There are two hunt areas, one for preschoolers and lower elementary age children, and one for upper elementary age children. After the hunt is over, families are invited back to the Social Hall for more crafts and activities. This is a wonderful family event, and a good time to invite a friend! Questions? Contact Deborah MacVey at 662-4466, ext. 15, or [dmacvey@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:dmacvey@firstpresbyterian.org).

**“PROVIDING SPIRITUAL CARE - PART II,”** a presentation by the Rev. Deborah Knott, is the next offering in the Stephen Ministry Continuing Education series. On Monday, April 6, the congregation is invited to attend the presentation from 7:05 to 7:45 p.m. in the Youth Room.

### **EASTER SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Donate Flowers for Easter Sunday, April 12,** in memory or in honor of a loved one. Sign up in the Church Office or at the Welcome Center on the clipboard provided. Clearly print the name of the person for whom the flowers are given. Flowers are \$16 each, the deadline for donating is **Tuesday, April 7, at 10:00 a.m.**

**Worship and Childcare On Easter Morning - On Easter Sunday,** April 12, there will be Family Worship at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary, and at the 5:45 p.m. in Monteith Hall. Childcare, for crib through four-year-olds, is available at 8:00 a.m. by reservation only, and at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**Considerate Choices for Easter Parking:** Easter is a time when many guests and visitors come to First Pres for worship. Parking can be a problem, and we'd like to leave open as many spaces near the church as possible for people with difficulty walking. We will be designating an entire row of spaces in our parking lot on the Hillegonds Chapel side of the church as handicapped spaces. To make other spaces in our lot available for those who need to park close to the building, please be considerate. Free parking is available in the Forest Street structure, which is only one short block from the church. Also, parking is permitted on Washtenaw and Hill Streets on Sunday mornings. It's always a good idea to arrive early for worship. If you do, and you are able to walk without difficulty, please be kind to our visitors and members with special needs, and use one of the off-site parking alternatives.

**Join Us for Coffee Hour on Easter Sunday:** Enjoy fellowship, coffee and cookies in the Social Hall after the 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. worship services on Easter.

**THE MEDICAL MISSION TASK FORCE IS GOING TO HAITI** from May 16 to May 23 to provide mobile health clinics for those in need. They welcome the donation of a wide variety of items, some of which you may have around your house, like candles, bar soap, washcloths, and baby care products. They are also in need of medical supplies such as sutures, sterile and non-sterile gloves, syringes, and GI medications. A complete list of needed items can be found in *First Press*, or on line at [www.firstpresbyterian.org](http://www.firstpresbyterian.org). Items may be placed in the collection boxes marked “Haiti” outside the Church Office or near the sink/cubbie in the French Room/Library until May 1.

If you have questions, or are interested in joining the trip, contact Lisa Kerr Johnson at 665-8299.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN EVENTS: W.E.B.S.,**

**The Women's Evening Bible Study Group**, meets Monday, April 6, at 7:00 p.m., in the Curtis Room, and will continue the HORIZONS Bible study of Luke, lesson 7. For more information, contact Sue Dempsey, 769-0599, or Jennie Lombard, 663-7244.

**The Women's Reading Group** meets Wednesday, April 8, at 1:00 p.m., at the home of Myra Larson, 3575 E. Huron Drive. The discussion of the study book, *Letter and Notes from Prison*, by Dietrich Bonhoeffer, will continue. Questions? Contact Marolin Bellefleur, 769-0269.

**MOTHERS' MORNING**, our group for mothers of young children, meets again in the Youth Room on Tuesday, April 7, at 9:00 a.m. The featured presentation is "RETHINK: Anger Management for Parents," a program that helps parents understand anger and learn skills to manage it constructively. For more information, contact Carolyn Gehrke at 572-5832.

**HILLTOPPERS** meets for lunch and discussion on "Global Warming: Why All the Confusion?" on April 9, at noon in the Social Hall. Dr. Bill Kuhn, retired professor and former chairman of the Department of Atmospheric, Oceanic and Space Sciences at the University of Michigan, will lead an energetic and interesting discussion. Sign up by April 7, at noon, by calling the Church Office at 662-4466, or emailing [mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org).

**JOIN CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP**, Monday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m., in the Hillegonds Chapel for support, understanding and advice in caring for loved ones. Questions? Contact Martine Blogin, Parish Nurse, 662-4466 ext. 26, or [mblogin@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:mblogin@firstpresbyterian.org).

**NEW DATE FOR ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR:** On Sunday, April 19, from noon to 1:30 p.m., join us in the Founders Room for an informational session on how to include planned gifts in your will/estate plan. The speakers are First Pres members Ron and Diana Gardner, estate planning attorneys. Refreshments will be provided.

**THREE CUPS OF TEA:** Join the Mission Committee for tea and a three-week discussion of *Three Cups of Tea* by Greg Mortenson and David Relin, the story of how one man is changing the world - one school at a time - in Pakistan and Afghanistan. The Rev. George Lambrides and Paul Smith will lead the discussion on April 19 (Monteith Hall) and 26 (Lewis Room) and May 3 (Lewis Room) at 9:30 a.m. Please read or have begun to read the book by the first session. Books are available in the church office for \$10.

**MUSIC IN MEMORY OF DR. ERNEST BEUTLER:** On April 19, the Chancel Choir will sing *Lobet den Herrn* (Praise the Lord) by J. S. Bach, as part of the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services. The performance is sponsored by Fred Beutler in memory of his late brother, Dr. Ernest Beutler. Dr. Beutler helped a great number of patients as a physician; as a scientist he enriched us all. He studied the genetics of many inherited diseases, devising tests and cures for some, and developed a successful treatment for a form of leukemia that had been fatal.

**DON'T MISS THE FIRST ANNUAL YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT** on Sunday, April 26, at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary! Nurturing young musical talent has always been important to the music ministry at First Presbyterian Church. Our first, hopefully annual, Young People's Concert has been designed to showcase the talents of First Pres' budding musicians,

ages 8 to 18. We welcome a wide variety of musical instruments and disciplines. Applications for performing are available on our website, [www.firstpresbyterian.org](http://www.firstpresbyterian.org), (search for "seeking young musicians"), as well as in the Church Office. For more information, contact Susan Boggs, 662-4466, ext. 21, or [sboggs@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:sboggs@firstpresbyterian.org). **The application deadline is April 19.**

**PRAYING THE PSALMS** prayer group meets Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p.m. Pew cards with prayer requests may be completed and put in the offering plate. Questions? Contact Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers at 662-4466, ext. 12, or [mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org).

## *Calendar for April 6 - 11*

### **MONDAY:**

Body and Soul, 9:30 a.m., Curtis Room  
Stephen Ministry Training, 6:30 p.m., Room 104  
Stephen Ministry Supervision, 7:00 p.m., Youth Room  
Property Committee, 7:00 p.m., Vance Room  
WEBS, 7:00 p.m., Curtis Room  
Nominating Committee, 7:30 p.m., Lewis Room  
Boy Scouts Court of Honor, 7:30 p.m., Social Hall  
Sanctus Ringers, 7:30 p.m., Room 403  
Campus Ministry Music, 8:00 p.m., French Room/Library

### **TUESDAY:**

Prayer Group, 7:30 a.m., Founders Room  
Bible Support Group, 10:00 a.m., Vance Room  
Lenten Study, 10:30 a.m., Glacier Hills  
Lenten Study, noon, French Room/Library  
Osher Class Writing Workshop, 1:30 p.m., Founders Room  
ESL, 4:00 p.m., 100 Level Classroom  
Endowment Committee, 4:30 p.m., Lewis Room  
Haiti Medical Mission Task Force, 6:00 p.m., Curtis Room  
Campus Core Group, 7:00 p.m., Youth Room  
Campus Ministry Mid-Week Worship, 9:00 p.m., away

### **WEDNESDAY:**

Lenten Study, noon, Vance Room  
PW Reading Group, 1:00 p.m., Larson home, 3575 E. Huron Drive  
Osher Class - World War II, 1:30 p.m., Curtis Room  
Wednesday Night Meal, 3:00-7:15 p.m. (volunteers), 5:30 (meal),  
Delonis Center  
Fellowship Group Ministry, 4:30 p.m., Vance Room  
Praying the Psalms, 5:00 p.m., Lewis Room  
MIDS, 5:00 p.m., Youth Room  
Hosanna Choir, 5:00 p.m., Russel Room  
Alleluia Choir, 5:00 p.m., Room 404  
Youth Choir, 6:00 p.m., Russel Room  
TnT, 7:00 p.m., Vance Room

### **MAUNDY THURSDAY:**

Hilltoppers, noon, Social Hall  
Ann Arbor Adapted Exercise Program, 3:00 p.m., Curtis Room  
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 and 8:00 p.m., Russel Room  
Maundy Thursday Worship Service, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

### **GOOD FRIDAY:**

#### **Office Closed**

Prayer/Study Group, 9:00 a.m., away  
Mom's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., French Room/Library  
Easter Egg Hunt Set Up, all day, Social Hall, Curtis and Founders Rooms,  
400 Level Classrooms  
Campus Core Group, 2:00 p.m., Hillemonds Chapel  
Good Friday Tenebrae Worship Service, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

**SATURDAY:**

Easter Egg Hunt, 10:00 a.m., Social Hall

Easter Overflow Seating Set Up, 1:00 p.m., Social Hall

**EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**

Family Worship Services are at

8:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary,

9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary,

11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary,

and 5:45 p.m. in Monteith Hall

Coffee Hour, after the 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. services, in the Social Hall

## *About Easter*

**Easter Sunday** is the commemoration of Jesus' resurrection. Martin Luther said Christians should remember their Baptism each morning as they waken. In the same way, Christians can remember that first Easter morning when Christ was raised from the dead. The name for Easter in the early Christian church was Pasche, derived from the Hebrew word for passover, meaning "great deliverance." Just as the Israelites celebrated Passover in remembrance of their deliverance from slavery, Christians celebrate Pasche and deliverance from enslavement to sin and death through the forgiveness of sin. Although Passover and Pasche are distinct celebrations, the celebration of Pasche reminds Christians that, as the blood of the lamb slain on Passover protected the Israelites from destruction, so also the sacrificial Lamb of God protects us from eternal destruction. The significance of Pasche endures; but in most Christian churches today, all that remains of the name Pasche is the paschal candle and the reference to Jesus as the Paschal Lamb. Today's name for the celebration of Jesus' resurrection comes from Eastre, the goddess of the spring sun, because the festival in her name occurred at the time of Pasche. The name has non-Christian origins, but the timing of the Eastre celebration of spring rebirth corresponds to the Christian celebration of the gift of new life in the risen Jesus.

**Why do we celebrate Easter anytime between March 22 and April 25?** Some early Jewish Christians associated the death and resurrection of Jesus with the Passover. Therefore, Easter was celebrated during Passover – on the 14th day of the first month of the Jewish calendar, without regard to the day of the week. In the fourth century, the Council of Nicaea decreed Easter must always be celebrated on a Sunday and established the date according to the Roman solar calendar. The date of the Easter celebration is the first Sunday following the full moon after the spring equinox (March 21), a date that was fixed in accordance with an ancient computation and may differ from the actual equinox.