

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *A Shelter In The Time Of Storm* arr. Bill Westin

* CALL TO WORSHIP

We raise our voices and wave our palms.

Hosanna! Save us!

Jesus, enter the streets of our crowded lives.

Hosanna! Rescue us!

Let us follow behind you on the way to liberation.

Hosanna! Deliver us!

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Bring us your peace.

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

* **HYMN 196** “All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

During the singing of the hymn, those with palms are invited to bring them forward and lay them before the communion table.

* CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Artist of souls, you sculpted a people for yourself
out of the rocks of wilderness and fasting.**

Yet our devotion to you is still capricious:

**we vacillate between shallow-rooted praise
and grumbling.**

**By the power of the Spirit, continue calling us back to you,
that we might live to receive and give your love.**

**Sharpen our hunger for the feast of your holy friendship,
that our love for you might be made sure
in the kiln of your grace.**

Silent Prayers & Assurance of Forgiveness

* SHARING CHRIST’S PEACE

Hymn 698 “Take, O Take Me As I Am”

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 19:28-40

ANTHEM *Ride On, King Jesus!* arr. Joseph A. Martin

Refrain: Ride on, King Jesus. Ride on in majesty.

Ride on, King Jesus, ride on. You have come to set us free.

He is the King of kings. He is the Lord of lords.

Jesus Christ, the First and Last; There is none like Him.

(Refrain)

Blessed is he who comes in the name,

Who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ride on, King Jesus. Ride on in majesty.

Jesus Christ, the King of kings!

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Ride on! Ride on! Ride on! Ride on! Ride on!

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 6:7-13

SERMON “Lead Us Not Into Temptation,
But Deliver Us From Evil”

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Self Offering

*The PC(USA)’s One Great Hour of Sharing special offering will be
received now simultaneously with our regular offering.*

Offertory *The Palms* Jean-Baptiste Faure

O’er all the way, green palms and blossoms gay,

Are strewn this day in festal preparation,

Where Jesus comes, to wipe our tears away,

E’en now the throng to welcome him prepare.

(Refrain) Join all, and sing, His name declare,

Let ev’ry voice resound with acclamation Hosanna!

Praised be the Lord!

Bless Him, who cometh to bring us salvation!

His word goes forth, and peoples by its might,

Once more regain freedom from degradation,

Humanity doth give to each his right,

While those in darkness find restored the light.

(Refrain)

Sing and rejoice, oh, blest Jerusalem,

Of all thy sons sing the emancipation,

Through boundless love, the Christ of Bethlehem,

Brings faith and hope to thee forever more.

(Refrain)

* *Doxology* Hymnal, back page

* *Prayer of Dedication*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

SPECIAL MUSIC *The Lord’s Prayer* Albert Hay Lamotte

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be your 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.

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* **HYMN 464** “Our Father, Which Art in Heaven”

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley* Traditional

END OF WORSHIP ... BEGINNING OF SERVICE

Bold font indicates congregational participation.

* You are invited to stand in body or in spirit.



We light two candles in worship. The white candle reminds us of the presence of Christ's spirit in worship. The smaller candle is in a candle holder made by a member of our partner church, Iglesia El Divino Salvador in Guatemala, and it reminds us of our covenant with them.

- Today's liturgist:** Elaine Morse
- Today's greeters:** Jean and Russ Moxley
- Today's ushers:** Carolyn and John Ledford
- Guest Musician:** Will Jones, MD, Tenor Soloist

Today Is Our Palm Sunday Fellowship Luncheon!

Thank you to all of you who signed up for today's Palm Sunday Fellowship Luncheon. The church is providing lamb stew and dessert, and based on the generous response from so many of you, there should be plenty of delicious sides to go along. A donation basket will also be provided.

Palm Sunday Special Offering: One Great Hour of Sharing

Today we will be receiving one of our denomination's special offerings: One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS). This offering supports the Presbyterian Hunger Program, Self Development of People, and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA). Our gifts to OGHS ensure that PDA can continue bringing hope out of chaos in disaster areas like ours and those all around the world. Special envelopes and information pamphlets for this offering will be available on the table as you enter the sanctuary. Checks should be made out to New Hope Presbyterian Church with OGHS in the memo line. Thank you.

Maundy Thursday Supper & Service

Join us this Thursday, April 17 for a special time together as a faith community. We will enjoy a simple supper together at 5:45 PM followed by a worship service at 6:30 PM. Please RSVP for the supper by Wednesday, April 16 at 2 PM, by contacting Lynne in the church office at (828) 274-0191 or officenewhope@gmail.com. The 6:30 worship service will include the Lord's Supper, optional foot washing, a reading of the passion narrative interspersed with special music and hymns, the shrouding of the sanctuary, and departure in silence.

Easter Worship Next Sunday, April 20

Come celebrate with us! The service will include guest musicians. We also have a tradition of filling up a wire cross with flowers during the opening hymn, so if you are able, please bring some cut flowers with you to worship on Easter Sunday. After worship, we leave the flower-filled cross by the road as a witness to our resurrection hope.

Update on Becoming a PDA Host Site for Work Groups

All our bunk beds are assembled, courtesy of Stan Presley. Mattresses are on them, and sheets are coming in from ABCCM. Nan Riley has even sewn some handmade pillow cases! The painting in the adult classroom, the former nursery (now Bedroom #1) and the former storage room (now the Lounge) is all complete, thanks to Bunk Spann, Peter Ray, and Russ & Jean Moxley. Nan Riley scrubbed the tiles in the Lounge and double waxed the floor for a fresh look! Furniture that Susan Maveety and Nan Riley purchased from Habitat for Humanity's ReStore is now in the lounge and will be steam cleaned on Monday. Curtains will be installed in Bedroom #1 and the adult classroom so that sleepers will have privacy and dark rooms at night. We're still in the process of buying a high efficiency washer and dryer and ordering more outdoor lighting. We're so grateful that Givens Estates has invited us to let our work groups use their showers, towel service, pool, gym, cafeteria, and beautiful terrace! Our first work group will be coming from Livonia, Michigan on Sunday, May 4.

MANNA Food Bank Volunteering

We will be heading to MANNA's location in Mills River to volunteer there as a group on Thursday, April 17. Our shift is currently 1-4 PM on the third Thursday of the month. Contact Linda Lewis at (828) 483-6296 to sign up.

New Hope Presbyterian Church

We are a welcoming, inclusive faith community, seeking to respond to Christ's call to love and serve, through ministries of compassion and social justice.

Session Members

- Terri Carpenter (2025)
- Woody Ferrell (2025)
- Elsie Reid (2027)
- George Bauernfeind (2027)
- Barbara McLean (2026)
- Andy Morse (2026)
- Carolyn Ledford (2027)
- Nan Riley (2026)
- Nancy Spann (2025)
- Kim Wells (Moderator)

Deacons

- Bill Carpenter (2027)
- Janet Ferrell (2025)
- Tom Fife (2026)
- Ann Moorefield (2027)
- Cal Reid (2026)
- Karen Ward (2025)

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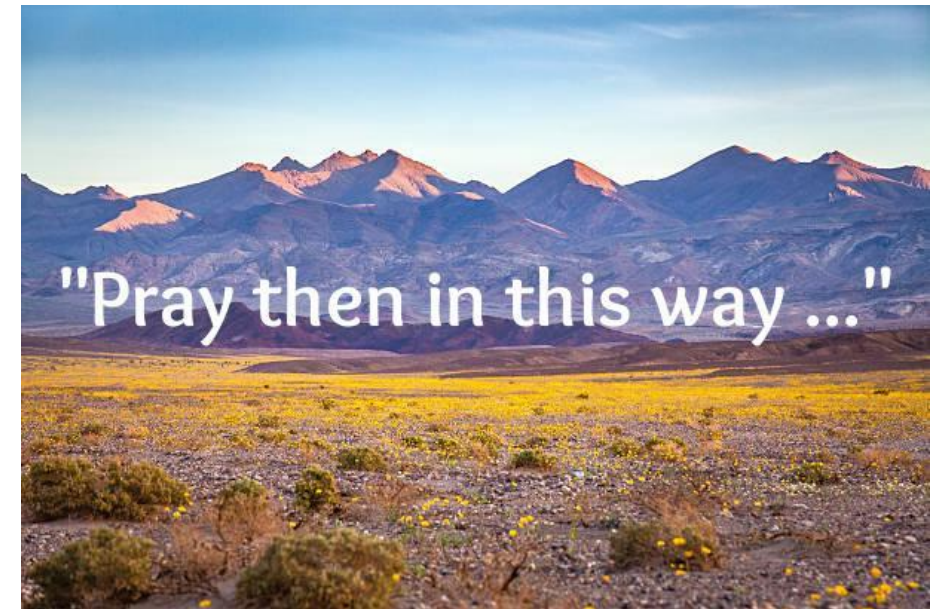
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“Including, Renewing, Serving”

Palm Sunday
 April 13, 2025
 11 o'clock



“Lead Us Not Into Temptation,
 But Deliver Us From Evil”



“When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard because of their many words.” (Matthew 6:7)