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WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP PALM SUNDAY

11:00 AM April 9, 2017

PRELUDE "All Glory Laud and Honor" arr. Paxton

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE APPROACH GOD

"Blessed Is He Who Comes in the Name of the Lord" CHORAL INTROIT Shackley

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

If you are sitting on the end of a pew, please engage the children in this short dialogue:

Child: Have you heard who is coming?

Adult: No! Tell me! Child: Jesus is coming! Adult: What should we do?

Child: Wave a palm!

The child will give you palm branches for you to pass down the pew.

ANTHEM "The Palms" arr. Kinvon

Sanctuary Bells

PROCESSION OF THE DONKEY AND CHILDREN

(Please note: congregation to wave their palms only after the children have processed and

taken a seat on the front steps of the chancel)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

GOSPEL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE Teaching Elder Keith Sundberg (Following the time with children, our young people through kindergarten age may be excused to child care)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Silent Prayer - placing of Holy Week Banners

CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE READING Luke 19:29-40: NT 83

The word of the Lord. **Thanks**, be to God.

SERMON "Voices from the Palm Sunday Crowds"

Teaching Elder James Bernhardt

A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 196 "All Glory, Laud and Honor" Valet Will Ich Dir Geben INVITATION TO PRAYER

"God Spared Not His Only Son" Chancel Choir Larson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts)

RECEPTION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem

"A Festive Hosanna"

Nolan; handbell part Nordmeyer

Chancel Choir and Sanctuary Bells

*Offertory Response

"As the Owner Gave the Colt"

Hendon

As the owner gave the colt – beast of burden for the Lord, so may we with willing hearts give to meet the Master's need; give to meet the Master's need.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TAKING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 216

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

St. Christopher

*LITANY OF CONFESSION

The palms we have waved so publicly today, would we have held them high throughout the week or hid them?

Would we have stood beside Jesus as he upset the temple tables?

We might well have welcomed a piece of bread and a drink of the cup from our Savior's hands at his last meal. Would we have stopped Judas?

Would we have stayed awake as he prayed or escaped into sleep?

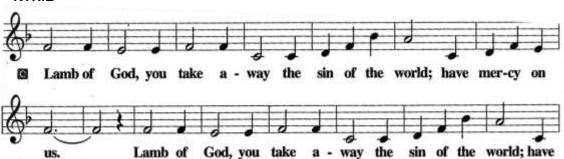
Would we have denied knowing him if our lives had been at risk?

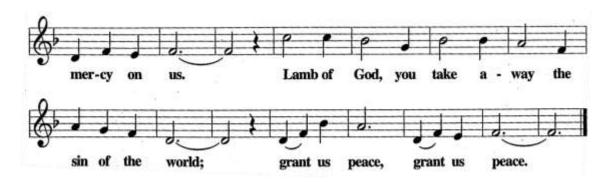
Would we have been able to watch him suffer and be publicly humiliated?

Would we have stood by his mother and offered comfort at the foot of the cross?

Would we be able to calm ourselves in our distress or our inability to say yes? For all our "no's"







*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

When you are ready, please depart the sanctuary in *silence* and accept a palm cross from the children.

*Everyone who is able may stand **Bold lettering** is to be read responsively by the congregation **Bold lettering that is italicized** is to be sung by the congregation

WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Sunday, April 9, 2017 WELCOME

"I will show love to those who were called unloved and, to those who were called 'not-my-people', I will say 'you are my people' and they will answer, 'you are our God'." (Hosea 2:23)

Wayside Presbyterian Church (PCUSA) is a place where the mind is nourished as well as the spirit, and where we affirm the dignity and worth of every person. As we are all created in the image of God, we believe discrimination is incompatible with Christ's Gospel of unconditional love. While we celebrate our Presbyterian identity, we acknowledge that we are not alone on the path to understanding God. We invite conversations that move us to seek a deeper understanding of life in the Spirit.

Be who you are and be welcome here.

FOR OUR CHILDREN

Childcare is available during the entire worship hour for infants and preschool children. Children may remain for the entire service or take advantage of childcare (kindergarten and younger). Children's worship activity bags are available for children remaining in the worship service. Please return them following worship.

CHALLENGED CHILDREN AND YOUTH

If sound is unsettling to your child or youth, ask the usher for earplugs at the back of the sanctuary. We will soon have teens trained to accompany a young person when worship becomes too long. Our hope is to allow parents a time of worship. If you are interested in finding a companion for your child let Keith know.

SERVICE NOTES

A hearing enhancement system is available for those who have a need. An usher will be happy to provide you with a receiver this morning. Large print bulletins are also available.

Thanks to those who helped with the service today:

Church Opener: Matt McCullough

Ushers: 8:30 AM: Tim Feltmeyer and Kurt Menges

11:00 AM: Bobbi Jo Fye, Jon Hoyt, Ron Kolb, Bill Pentz, Jim Perkins, Adam Snyder, Ed Snyder, Barb Sundberg and Axel Swanson

Acolytes: Tom Sesler and Joey Turner

Worship Assistants: Aurora and Eli Fuchs

Sound Board: Jack Grimm

Greeters: Lynn Bowen, Worship; Gene Sundberg, SN&E

Information Table: Tracey Bowes Fellowship Time: Steve Porter

Child Care: Hutzelman & van Helden Families, Nursery; Bowes Family, Preschool

A reminder to those scheduled to help next week:

Church Opener: Jim Perkins

Ushers: 8:30 AM: Colleen Loeslein and Mac Pollard

11:00 AM: Paul Carpenedo, Tom Lewis, Haile Martin, Nolan Martin,

Ron May, Matt McGill, Ken Reitinger, Lorah Momeyer, and David Sundberg

Acolytes: Cole Daehnke and Tom Sesler

Worship Assistant: Brian Buseck Sound Board: Matt McGill

Greeters: Dave and Micki Loesel, Worship

Information Table: Cindy Yahn Grode Fellowship Time: Gwen and Mark Smith

Child Care: Pattie Porter, Nursery; Zimmerman Family, Preschool

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 9-16, 2017

Sunday, April 9 Palm Sunday One Great Hour of Sharing	8:30 AM 9:30 AM 9:45 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM 5:00 PM	Celebration of Worship Chancel Choir Sunday School Celebration of Worship Fellowship Time Multicultural Diners Club
Monday April 10-Saturday April 15		Managanar Birroro Oras
Monday, April 10	7:00 AM	Holy Week Morning Prayers
	12:00 PM	Trustees
	6:30 PM	Sanctuary Bells
	7:30 PM	Outreach Committee
Tuesday, April 11	7:00 AM	Holy Week Morning Prayers
Wednesday, April 12	7:00 AM	Holy Week Morning Prayers
		No Clubs, Choirs or Fellowship Dinner
	6:30 PM	Lenten Evening Prayers
	7:30 PM	Session
Thursday, April 13	7:00 AM	Holy Week Morning Prayers
Maundy Thursday	6:30 PM	Chancel Choir
	7:30 PM	Maundy Thursday Communion Service
Friday, April 14	7:00 AM	Holy Week Morning Prayers
12:0	00 PM – 3:00 PM	Sanctuary open for meditation and prayer
	7:00 PM	Sophia Circle
Sunday, April 16	7:00 AM	Easter Sunrise Service
Easter	8:30 AM	Celebration of Worship
Children Sing	9:30 AM	Choirs breakfast
	9:45 AM	No Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Celebration of Worship
	12:00 PM	Fellowship Time

SANCTUARY FLOWERS & BULLETIN COVER SPONSORS

The Sanctuary Flowers today are provided by Jim Perkins in memory of his mother, Margaret. Today's bulletin cover is sponsored by Micki and Dave Loesel in memory of her sister Martha Eichenlaub and his mother, Louise K. Loesel.

The cost of Sanctuary Flowers has been raised to \$58 due to the addition of a delivery fee by the vendor. If you have questions about your order, please contact Micki Loesel.

EYES OF THE ARTIST

Today & Easter Sunday are your last chances to enjoy the current "In the Eyes of the Artist" display in the parlor. Jane Hess is sharing photos of her last six years of decorating the table in the Narthex. The parlor is open before and after each Sunday worship service.

GREETERS NEEDED FOR CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTO SESSIONS

We need a number of people to help families sign in when they arrive to have their pictures taken for our new Church pictorial directory. We are looking for people who are available for 2 hours on any of our picture days, which are April 25, 26, 27, 28 and May 9 & 10, from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM and Saturday April 29 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. If you can help, please sign up at the information table in the lobby. If you have questions, please contact Lois May at 490-9426.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN SPRING GATHERING

The PW Spring Gathering will be on Saturday April 22, 2017 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM at Meadville First Presbyterian Church, 890 Liberty St., Meadville. Explore the topic of "Who is My Neighbor" with keynote speaker Rev. Tim Solomon. The mission project will support the church food pantry. Please bring nonperishable food items. Cost for lunch is \$6.

Child care is available with advance reservations. Please bring a sack lunch for each child. Please sign up at the Information Table, email Mary Zahora maryzahora@meadvillefpc.org or call 833-2161.

CIRCLE NEWS

Sophia Circle will meet Friday, April 14 at 7:00 PM at the home of Jean Moore who will also serve as study leader. Please contact Jean by email or phone to let her know if you will be attending. **Naomi Circle** will meet Wednesday, April 26 at noon in the Parlor.

PW SPRING SALAD LUNCHEON

Elizabeth Circle invites all Wayside women to the annual Spring Salad Luncheon on Thursday, April 27 at 11:30 AM in the Parlor. Please sign up at the Information Table and bring your favorite salad to share.

GENEROSITY OPPORTUNITIES

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Through your donations to One Great Hour of Sharing, Presbyterian Mission Agency is able to serve people in our community and around the world by alleviating hunger, rebuilding after crises or catastrophe, and working with communities to overcome oppression. Please bring in your OGHS fish banks as well as any other donations you would like to make using either your offering or pew envelopes. As we are not going to have donations through a Talent Auction this year, your contribution is particularly important. We will be collecting until Easter so please give generously.

SERVING DINNER AT EMMAUS SOUP KITCHEN

Volunteers are needed to assist with serving dinner at Emmaus Soup Kitchen, 218 E. 11th St. and Holland St. at 3:00 PM Wednesday, April 12. If you would like to help, please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby.

SECOND HARVEST MOBILE FOOD BANK

The next Mobile Food Bank will be held Monday, April 24. Volunteers will meet at the Federated Church, 11995 Main St. in East Springfield just off Route 20 West at 12:30 PM. Volunteers should park in the parking lot behind the church as the people getting the food park in the lot in front. If you would like to help, please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby.

MULTICULTURAL DINERS CLUB

Our next dining experience will be on **today, Sunday, April 9** at **5:00 PM** at the Samurai Kitchen and Sushi, 2767 West 12th St. (just east of Peninsula Drive on the south side), a newly opened restaurant featuring Indonesian and Japanese food. Jufi and Sara Andreas are thinking through options for a yummy \$15 meal that evening. Please sign up at the Information Table, call the office, or call Gary Larson (866-5271) to **make reservations by noon today.**

SCRIP ORDERS

Purchasing gift cards through our Scrip cards program is a great way for you to contribute to Wayside. A percentage of your gift card purchase will go to the Wayside general fund. An order placed on Sunday will be received by the following Sunday. Stop at the Information Table today to place your order.

SPECIAL REQUEST FROM WEST MILLCREEK FOOD PANTRY

"Dear Friends of the Pantry: Easter is HERE! and this spring has flown by! The pantry has ordered 135 hams for distribution April 11. We would like your help in providing these hams for our food pantry people. The hams will cost us around \$1200. Any financial help you could provide would be appreciated. We know that this is short notice, but be assured that we will accept your donations to replenish our funds with no deadlines!! You can make checks payable to West Millcreek Food Pantry and mail them to West Millcreek Food Pantry, c/o Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3642 W. 26th St., Erie, 16506, or just include them in your food donations. Thank you and God bless you and yours this Easter Season and throughout the year."

PER CAPITA CHALLENGE

We are slightly over halfway to our goal of collecting \$8000 to help defray Wayside's \$16,680 per capita obligation in 2017 to the PC(USA). We pay \$30 for each member; see the display in the Lobby for further details. Please help us reach our goal by contributing \$30 for each confirmed member of your family. Thank you.

OFFERING CARDS

For those that give their offering electronically, by mail or by means other than in the offering plate weekly, we have placed offering participation cards in the pews. You may place one of these "I Give" cards in the offering plate to represent your offering to God during the collection.

TOILETRIES COLLECTION SUSPENDED

Spring is finally here so there will be no more overflow shelters. We are therefore suspending the collection of toiletries for the summer. We appreciate your generosity.

WEEKLY GIFTS TO THE WEST MILLCREEK FOOD PANTRY

Next week's suggested items for the Food Pantry are cereal and baked beans. Non-perishable items such as diapers, feminine hygiene products, toiletries and pet foods are always appreciated. Checks should be made out to "West Millcreek Food Pantry".

Spiritual Nurture and Education (SN&E) ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Issues of Faith:</u> Today James Bernhardt will discuss the changing face of global Christianity. There will be no classes on April 16, Easter Sunday.

WAYSIDE READERS

Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates is his personal exploration of being African American in the U.S. The study group will meet on Thursday April 20 at 7:00 PM at the home of James Bernhardt, 1970 Zimmerly Rd. If you would like to join us, please sign up at the Information Table.

YOUTH

This week will be our Easter Pageant. There will be no classes on April 16, Easter Sunday.

WOW (WAYSIDE ON WEDNESDAY) KIDS' CLUB

A Wednesday program for youth from 2nd to 5th grade beginning at 4:00 PM There will be no club on April 12, which is Holy Week. April 19 we will have a service project.

WAYOUTH

A Wednesday program for youth 6th-12th grades beginning at 6:00 PM There will be no club on April 12, which is Holy Week. April 19 we will work on a service project for the March of Dimes.