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WAVE THE BRANCHES & HOLD STEADY

This Sunday offers us what is, in my mind, one of the most joyful moments of the Christian worship calendar: a morning where kids are encouraged to move jubilantly and wave their arms in the air holding a simple item to greet our king—palm branches will fill the air as we begin worship together!

It's a simple gesture that signifies the approaching end to a season of fasting and repentance that believers have been focused on since Ash Wednesday back in February. At Easter, we put to bed our fasting and greet the risen king again, grateful for the conquering of death and the life that is offered in His resurrection! Saint Methodius of Olympus had this to say of the day: "Let us all come together cheerfully; let us all receive him gladly, and hold our feast with all honesty. Instead of our garments, let us strew our hearts before Him, in psalms and hymns, let us raise to him our shouts of thanksgiving; and, without ceasing, let us exclaim, 'Blessed is he that that cometh in the name of the Lord.'"

Of course, Palm Sunday doesn't get us to Easter just yet. Because just after this burst of joy come some of the hardest teachings of Jesus, the most direct challenges to false religion, and the most painful tests of discipleship that his followers will face. Just after this day comes scattering, suffering, and death. As the week changes...as it darkens...let me encourage you to take up the challenging work of continuing to walk the road of faithfulness. In the challenging moments of this life when it is far easier to look away, to not lay our failures before him, and to not stay close to his side when suffering is there as well, let me challenge you again to keep your eyes on him and TRUST that he is still king—even in the darkness.

To that end, if you would like to take part in a meaningful journey through the dark moments of Holy Week, let me invite you to join us at Wednesday Night Bible study for adults on April 1 from 6:30-8pm. We will walk through a unique experience of readings and prayers to remember all the moments that led Jesus to the cross. I would love for you to join us to add an element of significance to the season for you this year.

Please remember the opportunities still before you to give to the collection to install the HVAC unit in the foyer, and to give to the CBF Global Missions Offering. Kids with coin banks should plan to bring them to worship this Sunday, March 28! I look forward to rounding out the Easter season with you well. As always, it is my joy to serve as your pastor. **-Josh**

SUNDAY MORNING

9:45 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL

11:00 AM - MORNING WORSHIP

SPECIAL ELEMENTS

Rev. Josh Beeler | "Palm Sunday" | Matt. 21:1-11

Special Music from the Sanctuary Bells

Children participating in laying of palms

Chancel Choir presents

"The Holy Week Project" - Part I

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Mar. 29 Ellen Saunders & Cary Murphy

DEACONS SERVING MAR. 29

Beth Freeman	David Bryant
Jesse Staton	Mike Garrett
Steve Owen	Luke Hamel

MARCH 22, 2026 OFFERINGS

Budget Envelopes.....	\$ 6,464.68
(Weekly Budget Needs \$9,424.06)	
Plate Offering.....	\$ 96.32
Designated Offering.....	\$ 1,832.32
Miscellaneous.....	\$ 0.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT.....	\$ 8,393.32
Find Us Faithful.....	\$ 0.00

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, April 15 at 7:00pm



THIS SUNDAY

Laying of Palms

This Sunday morning the children will be invited to be a part of the Palm Sunday celebration. When you arrive with your children, see Ellen Saunders to get palms and she will give more direction at that time!

WOMEN ON MISSION

Collecting candy for Easter Egg Hunt and packing buckets for Valor Farms



CHRISTMAS CHEER BASKETS

Collecting Spaghetti and Meat Sauce



WEDNESDAY NIGHT MINISTRIES

This Wednesday, March 25, ministries include Children's Choirs & Kids in Action, Youth Acteens, Man Up, Music & Bells, and Adult Prayer & Bible Study.

GENTLE YOGA

Thursday, March 26 at 10:00am

KOINONIAS

Leaving Tuesday, March 31 at 9:45am for Runk & Pratt at Leesville Road. NOTE TIME CHANGE!!

WATERCOLOR CLASS

Tuesday, April 7 at 6:00pm
Sign up with Donna Massie



KEENAGER/YOUNG AT HEART

Meeting at Charley's on Tuesday, April 14 at 11:30am



THIS SATURDAY!!

EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

Saturday, March 28 at 2:00pm at Madison Heights Public Library. Invite your friends to join us! There will also be crafts, activities, and age-appropriate egg-hunts (Preschool/K hunt at 2:15pm and Elementary at 2:30pm)

