CHRIST AMONG US, The Way of a Servant

Palm Sunday; March 24, 2024

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SILENT PRELUDE

As we continue on this Lenten journey, our faith calls us to walk as Christ did in the wilderness. Take a few moments to contemplate the image of wilderness and the path. Where do you find yourself on this path? Who is with you?

GATHERING

Welcome Katrina Baugh

Procession of Palms: Hosanna in the Highest MennoKids Insert

Call to Worship

Hosanna! Blessed is the One All: who comes in the name of the Lord!

Leader: Christ among us, humble and riding on a donkey.

People: Hosanna! Blessed is the One

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Leader: Christ among us, God's light shining on us!

People: Hosanna! Blessed is the One

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Leader: Christ among us, showing the way of a servant.

Opening Prayer

PRAISING Jed Sanford. Song Leader Hosanna. Loud Hosanna VT #313 All Glory, Laud, and Honor VT #315

Confessing

Prayer of Confession

Leader: When we get caught up in embracing the

world's power,

People: forgive us.

Leader: When we lose sight of the humble donkey

and put our trust in horses of war,

People: remind us of this Palm Sunday.

Leader: When we begin to get sucked into the darkness

of the "now."

People: bring us once again the peace of looking toward the "not yet."

Words of Assurance

Music for Meditation Pam Eiten What Wondrous Love Is This? (arr. Anna Laura Page)

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Story Nathan Perrin

Scripture Reading Keith Eiten

Leader: Listen for the Word of the Lord.

People: Our ears are open.

Mark 11: 1-11

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Barbara Krehbiel Gehring Sermon

Listening for the Spirit

With Astonishment, Fear, and Wonder VT #579

Pam Eiten Music for Reflection O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (arr. Anna Laura Page)

SHARING IN COMMUNITY

Offering Prayer

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Leader: Lord, in your mercy/goodness,

People: hear our prayer.

Work of the Church

SENDING

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty VT #316
Words of Blessing

This Week's Activities

Today	Nursery: Mary Harder, TBA Easter Egg Hunt Nursery: Dinorah Scott, Mary Harder "Fashioned in Love" (Adult Edu—Sanctuary) Meal (provided by DPT) Discernment Discussion Serving Today: • A/V Technicians: Kristin Crawford, CJ Yoder • Greeter: Lyle Bohnert • Coffee Host: James Bat • Church Opening & Lockup: Lyle Bohnert, Kathan	•
Tue Wed Thu Fri	Contemplative Prayer, via Zoom Women of the Word Bible Study Menno Men Asian Mennonite Maundy Thursday Service Mennonite Action Gaza Memorial Vigil (dt) Seder food prep; come and go as you're able Seder Tenebrae Service	7:00 PM 9:30 AM 9:30 AM 6:30-8 PM 12:00 PM 12-6 PM 6:00 PM 8:30 PM

Announcements

- Please join us for our **Good Friday activities** this week! We'll hold a seder (a leisurely and informative meal similar to a Passover meal in Jesus' day) starting at 6 PM, followed by a Tenebrae service at 8:30 PM. Please contact the church office if you plan to attend the meal, although walk-ins are also welcome. For those who would be available to help with food prep, we'll tackle that from 12-6 PM.
- Next Sunday is Easter! We'll gather for an 8:30 AM early worship service outside, followed by breakfast at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Our 10 AM worship service will include flowering the cross and communion. For the breakfast, please bring finger food breakfast items, such as sweet rolls, breads, deviled eggs, egg casseroles, or fruit, to share with 8-10 people.
- Let us each prayerfully **prepare to celebrate communion**, considering whether God is calling us to reconciliation in a broken relationship (Mt 5: 23-24).
- The pastors invite you to **submit jokes** for possible inclusion in our annual Holy Humor Sunday service. Please email jokes to staff@lombardmennonite.org by April 1.
- Matching Grant Applications are due by April
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 the Mission Commission wants to support your
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