



**PALM AND PASSION SUNDAY**  
**God Meets Us: In the Palms and Passion**

Gathering Music	<i>"Lift High the Cross"</i>	Christopher Kiser
Chiming of the Trinity		
Prelude	<i>"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"</i> arr. Lani Smith	Christopher Kiser
Welcome to Worship		Rev. Elizabeth Horton
Scripture Reading	John 12: 12-16	Rev. June Grubb
<p>The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord-- the King of Israel!"</p> <p>Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: "Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"</p> <p>His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.</p>		
Hymn	<i>"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"</i>	Ellen Peterson
Prayer		Rev. Horton
Scripture Reading	Mark 15 : 2-15	
<p>Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." Then the chief priests accused him of many things.</p> <p>Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.</p> <p>Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead.</p> <p>Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" They shouted back, "Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!"</p> <p>So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.</p>		
Sermon	<i>"God Meets Us: In the Palms and Passion"</i>	Rev. Horton

Hymn	"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"	Ellen Peterson
Benediction		
Postlude	"Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us" arr. Marianne Kim	Christopher Kiser

Join our **Fellowship & Prayer Concerns** after worship from 12-12:30PM and catch up with your church friends! **Join Zoom Meeting [HERE](#) (Meeting ID: 207 685 007 Passcode: 3n7IX8 Dial in: +1 301 715 8592)**

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**MARCH CELEBRATIONS**

**BIRTHDAYS**

28th...Elizabeth Horton

**ANNIVERSARIES**

27th...Mark & Karla Loper

Clifford & Paula Lopp

Steve & Cathy Waitman

**OUR CHURCH AT PRAYER**

**OUR MEMBERS:**

Marzell Crofts (Lexington Hospital), Katherine Skipper, Heidi Hutcheson (recovering from surgery at home), Lisa Price, Deanna Michael

**OUR MEMBERS AT HOME AND IN CARE FACILITIES:**

Peggy Bates, Janelle Bunn, Ruth Essick, Pattie Everhart, Lib & Jimbo Hinkle, Marguerite Leonard, Bob Shaak, Lib Sink, Carolyn Spivey, Adena Wall

**Brookdale:** Vogen Everhart

**OUR FRIENDS:**

\*David Driver, Nicole Holste (Alane Holste's sister-in-law), Wendi Greene (Bill Robbins' sister), Ashley Thomason Hutcheson (Ron & Heidi Hutcheson's daughter-in-law), Barbara Miller (Eddie Yates' mother)

*\*Indicates newly added. Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks. To add a name to the prayer list please call the church office (336-248-2617).*

# Holy Week at First Reformed UCC

March 28 - April 4, 2021

## Palm and Passion Sunday

10:45am Worship live-streamed  
via Facebook / YouTube

## Monday - Saturday

7:30pm Nightly online worship service  
(Facebook / YouTube)

## Stations of Holy Week

4 - 7pm Maundy Thursday

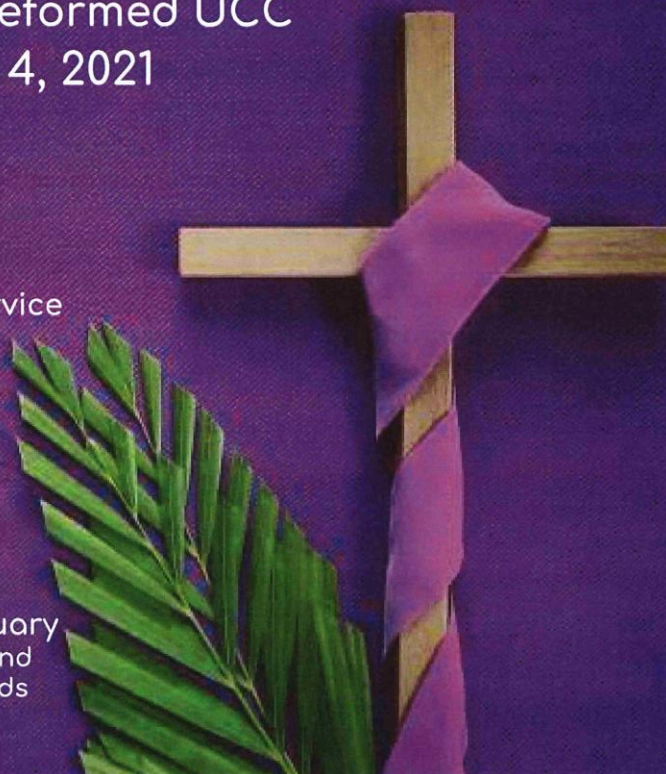
12 - 3pm Good Friday

Bring flowers / potted plant to leave  
for decorating Easter cross

## Easter Sunday

10:30am In-person Worship, Sanctuary

After worship, as a sign of blessing and  
new life, we will scatter wildflower seeds  
in front of Center Street breezeway.



## Stations of Holy Week:

A Walk-Thru, Multi-Sensory Worship Experience  
for All Ages.

Thursday, April 1, 4 - 7pm

Friday, April 2pm, Noon - 3pm

The Sanctuary  
First Reformed UCC  
104 E. Center St. Lexington NC

Travel the path  
Jesus walked the last  
night of his life.  
Holy Communion served.  
Covid Precautions followed.

Questions? [church@frucc.org](mailto:church@frucc.org)



## CALENDAR

### HOLY WEEK WORSHIP: MARCH 28-APRIL 4

#### SUNDAY, March 28: PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

**TODAY'S SERVICE WILL BE LIVESTREAMED ON FACEBOOK AND YOUTUBE**

- 9:45AM** Adult Sunday School: **REND YOUR HEARTS: CLAIMING THE PROMISE**  
"The One Who Comes" (June Grubb, facilitator)  
Mark 11:1-11...Mark 14:1-15:47...Isaiah 50:4-9  
Join the meeting [HERE](#). (Meeting ID: 890 2652 8333 Passcode: 634119)
- 10:45AM** Worship online via YouTube [HERE](#) or Facebook [HERE](#).
- 12:00PM** Fellowship & Prayer Concerns  
Zoom Meeting  
(Meeting ID: 207 685 007 Passcode: 3n7IX8 Dial in: +1 301 715 8592)

#### MONDAY-SATURDAY (MARCH 29-APRIL 3):

- 7:30PM** Nightly worship services via Facebook and YouTube.

#### TUESDAY, March 30:

- 12:00PM** 2CFAR meeting via ZOOM  
Join Zoom Meeting [HERE](#). (Meeting ID: 873 4191 8684 Passcode: 222495)

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 1: Maundy Thursday

**4:00- 7:00PM**

##### **Stations of Holy Week**

Come to the Sanctuary to experience the path Jesus walked the last night of his life. Holy Communion will be served. **Covid Precautions followed.**

*Enter the front of the sanctuary from the Center Street steps. Once inside, you will be given instructions for each station. Ushers will monitor attendance and flow to ensure proper distancing.*

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 2: Good Friday

**NOON-3:00PM**

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#### SATURDAY, April 3:

- 12:30PM** Open Hands Ministry Carry-Out Lunch Served

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 4: Easter Sunday

**Return to In-person worship in the Sanctuary!**

**WORSHIP TIME: 10:30AM**

Service will also be LIVESTREAMED on YouTube [HERE](#) and Facebook [HERE](#)

#### COVID PRECAUTIONS FOLLOWED:

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|---------------------------|--|
| Masks Required            | Social Distancing                      |
| Temperature Check         | Abbreviated Service (under 40 minutes) |
| No Congregational Singing |  |

## LOOKING TOWARD SUNDAY: A MESSAGE FROM REV. HORTON

Dear Friends,

This Sunday we begin Holy Week!

We also begin Livestreaming the worship services. This means worship will look different from the previous prerecorded services.

The mission is to keep a strong connection between the folks who remain watching online and those who wish to return to in-person worship, which starts on Easter Sunday. Please be patient with us as we find our way on this new path.

Below is the schedule for Holy Week. I hope you will take part in the worship experiences

Faithfully seeking to serve,  
Elizabeth

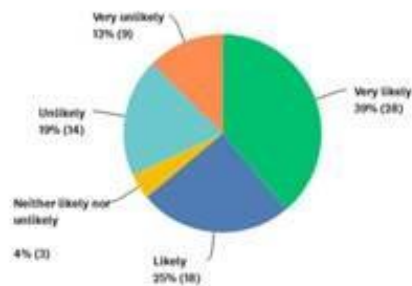
March 28: **In the Palms and Passion**, [Mark 15 : 2-15](#)

## IN-PERSON WORSHIP SURVEY RESULTS

### Results as of March 26, 2021

Q1: To help us plan, how likely are you to attend in-person worship in the sanctuary on Easter Sunday morning?

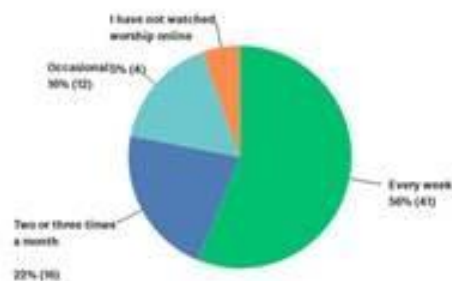
Answered: 72 Skipped: 1



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Q2: How often have you been watching the pre-recorded worship service on Facebook or YouTube?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 0



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## ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

We will continue to collect gifts through the end of March. Contributions to OGHS may be made directly to the church office or through online giving [HERE](#) or the OGHS website at <http://www.ucc.org/oghs>.

## OPEN HANDS SATURDAY LUNCH MINISTRY

Open Hands Ministry and First Reformed UCC Serve a carry-out lunch at 12:30 on Saturdays out of our Fellowship Hall kitchen. Volunteer or come for a carry-out meal for this Saturday Lunch. Contact John Maze if you would like to help. (704-524-6462)

## IMMEDIATE PRAYER PARTNERS

Praying for another person is a powerful ministry that connects us more deeply to others and amplifies the needs before God. Sometimes prayers are needed/wanted due to emergencies or other unexpected circumstances beyond the concerns in our weekly bulletins. Formerly called the Prayer Chain, our newly named prayer ministry is **Immediate Prayer Partners**, coordinated by Patti Lovell. The **Immediate Prayer Partner** Ministry begins by calling Rev. Horton, the church office, or Patti Lovell with your prayer request. It will then be shared with volunteers who have **made a commitment to offer intercessory prayer immediately when they receive the message**. Depending on the volunteer's preference, communication will be via texts, emails, or phone calls. If you would like to volunteer to be an **Immediate Prayer Partner**, please contact Patti Lovell at 336-309-9302.

## VERNON GASTON (V.G.) PRICE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship is open to any member of First Reformed United Church of Christ, or student from the Lexington City or Davidson County School Systems. **The application and attachments are due MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>**. The recipient will be chosen by May 1<sup>st</sup> of his/her senior year in high school.

To obtain an application, you may stop by the church office to pick up a hard copy, email the church office, or click [HERE](#) for a copy.

## INVITATION TO TAKE PART IN WORSHIP SERVICES

If you would like to read in worship service, please click on this Sign-Up Genius link to sign up for a Sunday: [Worship Reader](#).

## IN CASE YOU MISSED IT!

If you happen to miss a week of our worship services and other events that are shared on our Facebook and YouTube pages, they will remain on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)'s history, so you may go back to watch any time.