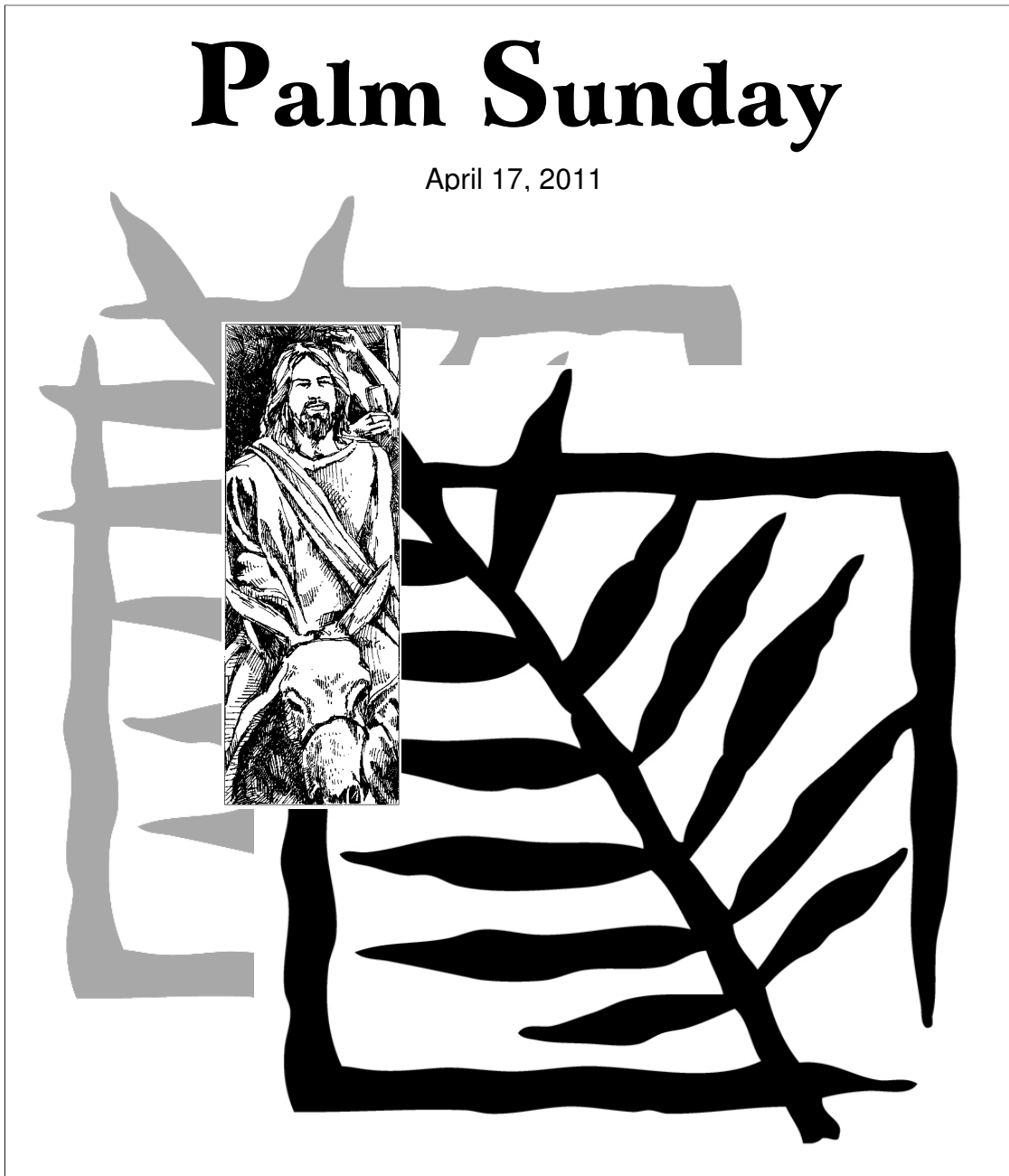


# Palm Sunday

April 17, 2011



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# Palm Sunday

10:30 A.M.

(\*Denotes when all who are able to please stand.)

*Assembled in the Narthex: Choir and children with palms.*

## **Gathering**

“Instrumental for Gathering”

by Kyle Aho

*As we gather for worship we invite you to observe silence and enter into reflection.*

*The theme of today's worship will focus on the outrageous love of the woman with the alabaster jar for Jesus and how her love outraged. You might want to read and reflect on Mark 14: 3-9.*

*Space to write down your thoughts:* \_\_\_\_\_

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- *You may wish to light a candle at the Communion table to symbolize the concerns or joys you carry with you to worship, or what troubles your heart.*
- *Communion is also available at the altar during this meditative time.*

## **Lighting of Candles**

Acolyte: Sadie Harper

## **Ring of Bells**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

### **\*The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem**

#### **Responsive Reading of the Palm Gospel Story**

Mark 11: 1-11a

Pastor: When They were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, and said to them,

Reader: “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’”

Assoc. Pastor:: They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them,

**People:** **What are you doing, untying the colt?"**

Pastor: They told them what Jesus had said, and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it.

Assoc. Pastor: Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

*(You are invited to wave your palms as you say the following response and during the singing of the processional hymn.)*

**People:** **"Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"**

Pastor: Then they entered Jerusalem and went into the temple . . .

**\*Procession & Hymn** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

No. 215

**\*Call to Confession**

The Rev. Becky Hebert

**\*Prayer of Confession**

O God, we confess our slowness to see beneath the facades of life. We admit that we are often indifferent or lukewarm in our faith. We are often perplexed by those who love You outrageously. Our lives lack the passion of high hopes and grand dreams. Save us from our ho-hum lives. We humble ourselves and admit to our shortcomings. From our hearts we cry to You for our very souls. Forgive us and pour into us an outrageous love. Amen.

**\*Silent Meditation and Personal Confession**

**\*Assurance of Forgiveness**

**\*Gloria Patri**

("Glory Be to the Father" No. 9 in *Sing to the Lord*)

**Children's Time**

Chuck Andrews

(The Children may leave for Sunday School)

**Offertory** "“Fairest Lord Jesus ” by Willis

**\*Doxology and Dedication Prayer** ("Praise God" No. 7 in *Sing to the Lord*)

**\*Hymn** "Where He Leads Me" No. 489

**Reading of Holy Scripture** Mark 14: 3-9 p.926

**Anthem** "Raise A Loud Hosanna" Arr. Mary McDonald  
Piano: Christin Bohrisch Organ: Kyle Aho  
Trumpet: Taylor Kollmeier and Danny Pace

**Sermon** "Outrageous Love" Pastor Stephan Scharf

**\*Hymn** "More Love to Thee" vs. 1 & 2, No. 463

**Morning Prayer, Lord’s Prayer** (*using debts and debtors*)

**Choral Response**

**\*Apostles Creed** (Page 2 in *Sing to the Lord*)

**\*Benediction**

**\*Congregational Response** "Peace Be Unto This Congregation" Althouse

Peace be un - to this con - gre - ga - tion. Peace to ev - 'ry  
soul here - in. Peace, which flows - from Christ's sal - va - tion. This He  
gave, our souls to save. Peace, re - deem - ing all our sin.

**Organ Postlude** "Onward Christian Soldiers" by Baring-Gould

**Our Stewardship for Sunday, April 10, 2011**

Worship: 74                      Offering: \$1,842.00  
Sunday School:9                      Offering: \$12.00

*The average weekly offering needed to meet annual budget is \$2,423.00*

**Keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers:**

**Members:**

**Rita Allen**– She is continuing to heal. She had her staples removed this week.

**Betty Huneke**-She has been diagnosed with Macular Degeneration. She begins her first round of treatment this week, with shots in her eyes.

Please Contact our members who find it difficult to attend:

**Virginia Steury**– Address: 1820 Plaza Drive, Nixa, mo. 65714-9437

**Flo Valentine**– It was nice to see her in Worship on Sunday. Pastor Becky and Pastor Stephen visited her on Thursday, and she was doing well.  
Address: 2316 S. Virginia Avenue, Springfield, MO. 65807-3046

**Family and Friends:**

**Linda:** A friend of Tona Rowett, The results from Linda’s tests show that she is cancer free. She is even driving again. How awesome are your prayers!

**Peggy Gilbert:** (Friend of Tona Griggs & friend & colleague of Melissa Burnett is struggling with her medication, and is undergoing frequent testing to ensure her breast cancer is under control.

**Josephine Walker:** (Jeanne Kruger’s mother) **This a corrected address:** She is in Manor Care on Fremont , Room 612.



Sunday School — 9:15 AM  
Worship — 10:30 AM  
Pastor’s Day Off — Friday  
Associate Pastor’s Office Day-Friday  
Secretary’s Office Hours: 8:30 AM — 1:00 PM  
Monday-Friday

**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED**

We need volunteers to help mow the back lot. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex

**Our Mission Statement**

St. John’s Chapel UCC is called to love unconditionally, seek justice, foster spiritual growth, and embrace diversity of thought and body as taught by Jesus Christ.

**THE DEADLINE FOR ORDERING EASTER LILIES IS TODAY!**  
Don't forget to place your order!

## Dedication Lilies for Easter

Please make your check payable \_\_\_\_\_ to St. John's Chapel UCC noting "Easter Lily" on the memo line.

**The deadline to order is April 17th.**

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Lilies are \$7.00 each.

Please turn in the following form and your check to Beth in the Chapel Office.



Name of Donor \_\_\_\_\_

Given in Honor Of \_\_\_\_\_

Given in Memory Of \_\_\_\_\_

Our Altar Guild thanks you~

### **A GIFT FOR WEST PLAINS**

We have purchased a gift to give West Plains as their sponsor congregation. It is a lovely Chalice and pitcher, which cost \$139.00. Council is asking for help from the congregation to pay for this. It would be about \$2.00 per regular attendee to cover the cost.



### **Operation Hope Tote**



It is not too late to participate. Help the Friendship Circle help the Springfield Victory Mission with Operation Hope Tote. Operation Hope Tote provides basic hygiene items to our city's poorest residents. We are collecting these items to fill a tote in the Narthex. You will find a list of the needed items on display there.

The hygiene items will be distributed on Easter. Please support this outreach with your donations. **These items are given out on Easter, so bring them in this week.**

### **Feinstein \$1 Million Challenge**

The annual Feinstein Fund Challenge, which matches funds for Crosslines, and other non profits, is going on now. Funds and in kind food donations will be matched from March 1st through April 30, 2011. Please see a Friendship Circle member or read the letter on the bulletin board to see how you can help. Mark your gift "Feinstein Fund".



Dear Easter Bunny,

I know you're busy, but we have some wishes here at St John's Chapel.



Easter Gifts  
for the Chapel

Our Church's Wish List:

We need to pay for the mowing service -\$65.00 a week

We need volunteers to mow the back lot.– donation of time and gas –Please sign up

Helping to send campers to Camp Aurora– 1/2 the tuition cost per camper  
(see sheet in Narthex)

Copier repairs.-\$400.00 is in the budget, and we need to make up the difference of \$377.00

- \*Denotes that donation amounts are unspecified and that no donation is too small.
- Where amounts are listed, if a designated service costs less, the unused donation amount will be applied toward another "need" area Unless stated "use only for a specific need."

**Thank you!**

**WE ARE GOING TO WRAP UP THE CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY!**

We need your help to finish this project. We need photos of the various church groups, any updates of phone numbers, e-mails, and etc. If you need to send us any information, leave it with Beth in the Church office or with Johna Steinhauer. Help us make this the most accurate, and up to date directory possible.

**IF YOU STILL NEED A PHOTO FOR THE CHURCH DIRECTORY MAKE PLANS TO STAY AFTER TODAY'S SERVICE SO THAT WE MAY TAKE YOUR PICTURE.**

(See Johna Steinhauer or Louise Eggleston to take your picture)



**The Community Garden**



Get your plots in the Community Garden A 10 x 18 plot is available for all chapel members who wish to grow their own produce. There is a \$25.00 fee to offset the cost of water

usage. Your plot will be tilled and ready to plant. Plots will also be offered to the neighbors in our area as part of our Chapel Outreach program. Sign up today. We need to know how many plots to prepare. If you have questions, contact Judith Bartell, or another committee member. You may also call the church office. Committee Members are: Judith Bartell, Lean Kruger, Gary Tebbenkamp, Kathy Pittman, and Deb Hall

**April 10, 2011**

Jim May will open the church in April

TODAY:	Sixth Sunday in Lent.....	10:30 am
	Palm Sunday	
	Last day to order lilies.	
	Serve at the Kitchen.....	4:15 pm
Monday	Unbinding the Gospel.....	4:30 pm
	Grace & Weight.....	5:30 pm
Tuesday:	Friendship Circle.....	7:00 pm
Wednesday:	Senior & Retirees Luncheon.....	12:00 noon
	Choir Practice.....	7:00 pm
Thursday	Maundy Thursday.....	7:30 pm
	Followed by Labyrinth Walk	
Friday	Good Friday– All day self directed Labyrinth Walk.....	9:00am-dark
	Good Friday Service at North Church.....	7:00 pm.
Saturday:	Holy Saturday.....	
	Brianna Rahmoeller's baby shower.....	2-4:00pm
Easter Sunday	See schedule below.....	10:30 am

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**Adult Sunday School**

meets at 9:15 A.M.

**Children's Sunday School**

immediately after Children's Time in the 10:30 Worship service.

All are invited to attend.

**Lenten Calendar 2011**

**Please Join Us!**

Sunday, April 17	Palm Sunday	10:30 AM
Thursday, April 21	Maundy Thursday	7:30 PM
	Stripping the Altar, & Labyrinth Walk	
Friday, April 22	Good Friday	
	Stations of the Cross & Daytime Labyrinth Walk	9:00 AM until Dark
	Good Friday Service at St. John's Church	7:30 pm
<b>Easter, April 24</b>	Sunrise Service	7:30AM
	Breakfast	8:15AM
	Children's Craft	9:00AM
	Egg Hunt	9:30AM
	Worship Celebration	10:30AM