

 KALAMAZOO  
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

"A Sanctuary in the City... Living Faith"

MARCH 29, 2026, PALM SUNDAY

*Our worship today begins in Bronson Park at 9:45 a.m. with an ecumenical service shared with other downtown churches.*

*If you prefer to remain in our sanctuary, you are invited to listen for God's Spirit speaking through music of the Prelude as we prepare our hearts for worship.*



Art by Rev. Heather Thum-Gerber



# ECUMENICAL LITURGY OF THE PALMS

*Bold type indicates congregational response.*

## OPENING ACCLAMATIONS

The Rev. Julie Kline, Lead Pastor, First United Methodist Church, Kalamazoo  
The Rev. Sarah Schmidt-Lee, Associate Pastor, First Congregational UCC, Kalamazoo  
The Rev. Chrissy Westbury, Associate Pastor, Kalamazoo First Presbyterian Church

*Julie* Blessed is the One who comes in the Name of the Lord.  
*People* **Hosanna in the highest!**

*Sarah* Not on a war horse, but on a donkey.  
*People* **Not in domination, but in peace.**

*Chrissy* Christ enters the city of power.  
*People* **We welcome the Prince of Peace.**

## OPENING PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. Sanchita Kisku, Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church of Kalamazoo

## SCRIPTURE

Matthew 21:1-11

The Rev. Dr. Gregory L. Flentje, Deacon, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Kalamazoo

*Gregory* When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet: "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

*People* **"Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"**

*Gregory*                    When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking,  
                                  “Who is this?” The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from  
                                  Nazareth in Galilee.”

## LITANY

The Rev. Matt Weiler, Pastor of Community Formation, First United Methodist Church, Kalamazoo

*Matt*                        The One who rode into Jerusalem rides towards us still.  
*People*                    **Thanks be to God.**

*Matt*                        We cry out “Hosanna—save us!” Save us from hatred and fear.  
*People*                    **Prince of Peace, hear our prayer.**

*Matt*                        Save us from injustice and violence.  
*People*                    **Prince of Peace, hear our prayer.**

*Matt*                        Save us from despair when change feels impossible.  
*People*                    **Prince of Peace, hear our prayer.**

*Matt*                        Teach us to follow your way of courageous love.  
*People*                    **Prince of Peace, make us instruments of your peace.**

## BLESSING OF PALMS

The Rev. Chrissy Westbury, Associate Pastor, Kalamazoo First Presbyterian Church

*The People hold their palms high in the air. In ancient Israel the waving of palms was a way of  
invoking the breezes which preceded the rainy season. Thus, the waving of palms was a way of  
invoking a blessing on the people of their land.*

*Chrissy*                    God be with you.  
*People*                    **And also with you.**

*Chrissy*                    Let us give thanks to God most high.  
*People*                    **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Chrissy*                    Let us pray.  
O God, who in Jesus Christ triumphantly entered Jerusalem, heralding a  
week of pain and sorrow, be with us now as we follow in the way of the  
cross. In these events of defeat and victory, you have sealed the closeness of  
death and resurrection, of humiliation and exaltation. We thank you for these  
branches that promise to become for us symbols of martyrdom and majesty.

*Assembly*      **Bless them and us that their use this day may announce in our time  
that Christ has come and that Christ will come again.  
Amen! Come, Christ Jesus.**

## SPRINKLING OF PALMS & PEOPLE

The Rev. Sarah Schmidt-Lee, Associate Pastor, First Congregational UCC, Kalamazoo

## LITANY OF CONFESSION

The Rev. Dr. Sanchita Kisku, Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church of Kalamazoo  
The Rev. Julie Kline, Lead Pastor, First United Methodist Church, Kalamazoo  
The Rev. Anne Marie Warner, Curate, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Kalamazoo  
The Rev. Dr. Randall R. Warren, Rector, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Kalamazoo

*Sanchita*      Who may ascend the hill of the Lord?  
Who may stand in his holy place?

*People*      **Those who have clean hands and pure hearts.**

*Julie*      O Living God, age after age the children of dust make their way to holy  
places to see you, yet you are closer than hands or feet.

*Assembly*      **In temples and in churches people make sacrifices and offerings,  
but what you seek is the love and well-being of your children.**

*Anne Marie*      Your Word promises that those whose hands are clean and whose hearts are  
pure can climb the heavenly hill; but who are we to do that?

*People*      **On our journey through life our hearts and hands have become  
stained and dirtied.**

*Sanchita*      If we have stretched out our hands in greed, or lust, or love of money,  
*Assembly*      **Lord, cleanse us by your mercy.**

*Julie*      If our hearts have been sullied by pride or resentment,  
*Assembly*      **Lord, cleanse us by your mercy.**

*Anne Marie*      If we have turned aside from our pilgrimage to go along with, rather  
than confront, the oppressive powers of this world;

*Assembly*      **Lord, cleanse us by your mercy.**

*Randall*      Look with pity, O loving God, upon the people of our world who live with  
injustice, terror, disease, and death as their constant companions.  
Have mercy on us and forgive us our sins. Help us to eliminate our cruelty  
to these our neighbors. Strengthen those who spend their lives establishing

equal protection of the law and equal opportunities for all. And grant that every one of us may enjoy a fair portion of the riches of our land; through Jesus Christ our Liberator and Savior.

*People*        **Amen!**

## THE DISMISSAL

The Rev. Sarah Schmidt-Lee, Associate Pastor, First Congregational UCC, Kalamazoo

*Sarah*            Go into the world—not as conquerors, but as peacemakers.  
Follow the One who chose the donkey over the war horse.

*People*        **We go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Our Ecumenical Liturgy of Palms was crafted from the liturgical documents of our several traditions and from “Palm Sunday and the Politics of Peace,” by Progressive Church Media, at [https://cdn1.progressivechurchmedia.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/27210813/Palm\\_Sunday\\_Liturgy\\_PCM.pdf](https://cdn1.progressivechurchmedia.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/27210813/Palm_Sunday_Liturgy_PCM.pdf).*

## THE GATHERING

***Bold type** indicates congregational response.*

*Where there is an asterisk, we are invited to stand together in God's Spirit.*

## PRELUDE

### CALL TO WORSHIP

God's steadfast love endures forever, and God's faithfulness to all generations.  
Let us worship God.

\*HYMN 196

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Valet Will Ich Dir Geben

### \*A LITANY FOR PALM SUNDAY

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

**Hosanna in the highest!**

Rejoice greatly, O people of God!

**Behold, our King comes to us, humble and riding on a donkey.**

Yet even as we wave our palms and lift our voices in praise, we know how quickly the cries of “Hosanna” can turn to “Crucify him.”

**We seek to follow Jesus, but we turn away when the road grows difficult.**

We long for God's kingdom, but we struggle to walk in the way of the cross.

**We celebrate Christ's coming, yet we confess our failure to love as he loves.**

**Hosanna! Save us! Have mercy on us, O God.**

*A moment of silence is kept.*

Christ comes not as a conquering king, but as the Prince of Peace.  
He reconciles us to God and calls us to be a reconciling people.

**We belong to God. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.**

Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, God is not only reconciling us but the whole of creation. The power of sin and death is defeated, and we are called to live as forgiven and free people, joining in God's work of renewal and peace.

May the peace of Christ be with you!

**And also with you!**

*Please stand and take a moment to share Christ's peace with others.*

\*GLORIA 698                      Take, O Take Me as I Am (sung twice)

**Take, O take me as I Am; summon out what I shall be;  
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

## THE WORD

### MOMENT WITH YOUNG WORSHIPPERS AND BLESSING

*All children are invited to join us at the front of the sanctuary.*

Children: You are loved!

Congregation: **You are loved!**

*All children are welcome to stay in worship today as there is no Sunday School.*

*Infants & children up through age 3 are invited to our nursery, Room 208.*

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Holy God, as we wave our palms and lift our voices in praise,  
open our hearts to the deeper truth of this day.**

**By the power of your Spirit, let your Word break open among us,  
not just as a story of the past, but as a call to faithful discipleship today.**

**Amen.**

### FIRST READING

Matthew 21:1-11

New Testament p.23

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

Selections from *Membra Jesu Nostrī*‡

Dietrich Buxtehude

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| <p>I. Ad Pedes<br/>Ecce super montes<br/>Pedes evangelizantis<br/>Et annunciantis pacem</p> <p>Salve mundi salutare<br/>Salve, salve Jesu care<br/>Cruci tuae me aptare<br/>Vellem vere, tu scis quare<br/>Da mihi tui copiam</p> | <p>I. “To the Feet”<br/><i>Behold, up on the mountains<br/>The feet of one bringing good news<br/>And announcing peace</i></p> <p><i>Hail, the world’s salvation<br/>Hail, hail dear Jesus<br/>On you cross I should like to be fit<br/>Truly I mean this, and You know why<br/>Give me your strength</i></p> |
| <p>II. Ad Manus<br/>Quid sunt plagae istae<br/>In medio manuum tuarum?</p>  | <p>II. “To the Hands”<br/><i>What are these wounds<br/>In the middle of your hands?</i></p>   |

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

New Testament p.197

SERMON

Which Way Are You Looking?

“Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus...”  
(Philippians 2:5)

\*HYMN

Take on the Mind of Christ the Lord

sung to O Waly Waly

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| <p><b>1. Take on the mind of Christ the Lord<br/>Who gave up life in heav’n above;<br/>He chose to suffer with the poor<br/>To make us rich in God's great love.</b></p> | <p><b>3. Take on the gift that we've been given:<br/>God raised him up in love to reign;<br/>And now he's Lord of earth and heaven.<br/>Accept this gift and praise his name.</b></p> |
| <p><b>2. Take on the way he chose to live;<br/>He put ambition to the side.<br/>He gave us all he had to give,<br/>Then on a cross he humbly died.</b></p>               | <p><b>4. One day the world will sing and pray<br/>And Christ will always be adored.<br/>Until that great and glorious day,<br/>Take on the mind of Christ the Lord.</b></p>           |

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# THE THANKSGIVING

## TIDINGS OF THE CHURCH

We give thanks to God and live faith, offering ourselves through worship, work, service, and love in all its forms.

## OFFERTORY INVITATION

Freely we receive at the hand of God; freely let us open our hands for the work of God. Let us worship God with our offerings.

OFFERTORY MUSIC      Praise to the Lord, the Almighty      arr. Kevin McChesney

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE 716      God Whose Giving Knows No Ending      Beach Spring  
**God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store, nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door; gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise; thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.**

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**We line your way among us, O Christ, with these resources and all our purposes. Reign in our hearts and minds, our hands and words, our bonds of living faith. Send us to serve in our community as citizens of your heavenly Commonwealth. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION WITH CHORAL AMEN

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Let us pray...  
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,  
And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, now and forever.  
Amen.**

## THE SENDING

\*HYMN 200

A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd

Christian Love

### \*A CONCLUDING LITANY FOR HOLY WEEK

Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a donkey, with crowds crying out:

**Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!**

As we continue into Holy Week, O God, give us courage

to turn our hearts again to Jerusalem, and to the way of Jesus Christ.

As we share your Passion, help us declare your promised good news.

**Jesus, Holy One, enter the gates of our hearts.**

**Grant us such gratitude that we may gather again in your sanctuary of grace  
and follow in your way of life, death, and resurrection.**

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

**Hosanna in the highest!**

## BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

All Glory, Laud and Honor

Emma Lou Diemer

‡MUSIC MINUTE: In this deeply expressive cycle, 17th-century German-Danish composer Dieterich Buxtehude sets a series of devotional meditations on the crucified body of Christ. The texts are drawn from the medieval hymn *Salve mundi salutare*, each section focusing on a different wounded body part. In *Ad Manus* (“to the hands”), Buxtehude heightens the emotional intensity through expressive word-painting: at the word *plagae* (“wounds”), the voices linger on aching suspensions and striking dissonances that resolve only slowly, musically depicting Christ’s pain. Today as the Church recalls both Christ’s triumphant entry into Jerusalem and the Passion that follows, Buxtehude’s music helps turn our attention from celebration toward contemplation, preparing our hearts to walk with Christ through Holy Week.

## IN MEMORIAM

**Ruth Lubbers** passed away on March 19. Memorial events will take place at Betzler Life Story Funeral Homes on Stadium Drive on May 16.

**Norm McCallum** passed away on March 22.  
Memorial service details have yet to be determined.

## PARTICIPANTS

### WORSHIP LEADERS

Mark Loehrke  
Rev. Chrissy Westbury

### ACOLYTE

Paul Clements

### READER

Sandra Dennehy

### MUSIC

The Choir  
The Red Door Ringers  
David Mom, violin  
Luca Sobue, violin  
Paul Natividad, cello  
Jake Zimmer, conductor  
Autumn, organist  
Michael Montgomery, director

### SOUND AND

VIDEO TEAM  
Kurt Grossman  
Mark Ohrstrom

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### GREETER

Joyce Artman, South Street  
Nancy Johnson, Lovell Street

## DEACON'S PRAYERS

One of the great gifts of a community of faith is that we take time and intention to pray for one another. This week, we pray especially for CAROL AND TOM NOLAND and the parish group listed below, that they may feel God's presence and power in their lives. Next week, we will pray for another Deacon and parish group.

Gary Brown	Cory Fritz	Mark Lubbers	Chris Palmer
Logan Brown	Michele R Fritz	Laureen Meeker	Adriane Siefert
David Campbell	Keith Johnson	Anna Miller	Jeff Siefert
Kathy Campbell	Nancy Johnson	Matt Molitor	Martha Straatmeyer
Jeanne Case	Carla Kennedy	Michelle Molitor	Ron Van Der Slik
Rob Case	David Lewis	John Munn	David Warren
Nancy Chandler	Jim Lewis	Nan Munn	Michelle Warren
Nik DeHaan	Karen Lewis	Lisa Padgett	Deb Weurding
Barb DeVries	Robyn Lewis	Rob Padgett III	Jill Wilson
Cheryl Fritz	Bruce Lubbers	Carrie Palmer	Scott Wilson



*Our Sanctuary is equipped with a Hearing Loop. Use your T-coil-enabled hearing aids or borrow headphones from the sound booth for clearer sound.*

## Prayer Chain

Digital form on website,  
Scroll down to "Prayer Chain".



## CHILDREN & YOUTH

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### NURSERY

The nursery is open each Sunday morning, starting at 9:45, for children age 3 and under (Room 204). Parents will be given a pager in the event they need to be contacted during worship.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

There will be no Sunday School today and next week, Easter Sunday. All children are invited to stay in the sanctuary for worship. Sunday School will resume April 12.

### YOUTH GROUP & T.A.G.

These groups are for all middle and high school students. We are not meeting today and will also skip next week. We meet again April 12th, meeting at the church from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

### 2026 SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE IS TUESDAY!

**The March 31 deadline is approaching.** Late or incomplete applications cannot be accepted.

### CONFIRMATION CLASS

We are offering a confirmation class for all 8th-12th grade students, starting April 12th and running for 4 weeks. The group will meet at 4 p.m. each week. If your student is interested in participating, please let Meredith know as soon as possible. [mereditha@fpckzoo.org](mailto:mereditha@fpckzoo.org)

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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### NOODLING AT NOON WITH MEREDITH

Our group discussion on *When We Walk By*, a book by Kevin Adler and Donald Burnes, will resume on April 8 with Chapters 8 and 9. If you have any questions, please contact Meredith.

### THOUGHTFUL READERS

All are welcome to join us for this book club. We meet at 7 p.m. on the 4th Monday of the month in room 300. Our April book is *The Little Liar*, by Mitch Albom.

### CONNECTIONS (FORMERLY PRAYER PARTNERS)

Our next gathering will be April 12 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 302. We meet to join and support members of our church, our community, our world and each other. Please contact [pat.stromsta@gmail.com](mailto:pat.stromsta@gmail.com) if you have any questions. We hope that you will consider joining us.

## HEARTS-TO-HANDS

Cards for many occasions, made lovingly by our crafters, are available in the Gathering Place anytime! Donations received through Easter Sunday will be passed along to One Great Hour of Sharing. If you wish to make a donation please put it in the Sunday offering (check payable to FPC with 'Card Ministry' designation on the 'For' line.)

## THE PALM SUNDAY PATH IN LANSING

Today, join a nonpartisan, faith-based procession in Lansing as a public witness to Christ's way of love and justice. We will gather at Pilgrim Church (125 S. Pennsylvania Ave) to walk approximately one mile to the Capitol for a program of music and speakers. The full event starts at 3 p.m. and lasts 2–3 hours. Those unable to walk are welcome to meet the group at the Capitol for the final 45-minute program.

## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

**Wednesday Noon Prayer:** April 1 in the Sanctuary

**Maundy Thursday:** April 2 at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary, includes Communion

**Good Friday:** April 3 at 7 p.m. Tenebrae Service in the Sanctuary

**Easter Sunday:** April 5 at 7 a.m. Sunrise Service at the Pine Island Chapel  
and 10 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary, includes Communion

## USHERS NEEDED FOR MEMORIAL SERVICES

**Jerre James** — Saturday, **April 11** at 10:00 a.m. (**3 ushers needed**, reception in the Dining Room); **Mary Brooks** — Friday, **April 24** at 10:30 a.m. (**1 usher needed**, visitation at 9:30 am, reception in the Gathering Place). Ushers arrive 45 minutes early to welcome guests, distribute bulletins, and assist with seating. To help, please contact [kellys@fpckzoo.org](mailto:kellys@fpckzoo.org).

Thanks for all you do!

## ASSISTANCE NEEDED

We are seeking friendly, reliable people to serve as reception desk greeters. Responsibilities include answering phones, welcoming visitors, opening doors when appropriate, and helping maintain a safe, orderly flow in the building. Our greatest need is for on-call substitutes who can fill in as needed, including occasional services or special events. This is a paid, part-time position (volunteers are also welcome). Training will be provided. To learn more or express interest, please contact Kelly at 269-344-0119, ext. 205 or [kellys@fpckzoo.org](mailto:kellys@fpckzoo.org).

## NOISY COINS

Bring your loose change to church and toss it in the offering plate! All loose coins go to the Deacon's Benevolence Fund which exists to help church members with emergency needs. Thank you!

## SPECIAL GUEST - REV. OH

We are excited to announce the McShane Colloquium speaker will be The Rev. Jihyun Oh. Rev. Oh is the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly and the Executive Director of the Interim United Agency of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Please plan to join us on April 12 for her 10 a.m. sermon and afternoon keynote address. Watch for more detail as the date approaches.

## FROM THE EARTH CARE TEAM

As people of faith we seek to "serve and preserve" God's world. The Presbyterian Hunger Program accompanies people as they move toward sustainable choices that restore and protect all of God's children and creation. Here are a few action suggestions intended to create more mindful behaviors during Lent and throughout the year.

- Download the Climate Action Now app to take meaningful climate action on your phone in just seconds or minutes at [www.climateactionnow.com](http://www.climateactionnow.com)
- Read Psalm 96:11-12 and reflect on one way you see the Earth rejoicing
- Eat low on the food chain today and consider committing to one or more meat-free days a week: [www.mondaycampaigns.org/meatless-monday](http://www.mondaycampaigns.org/meatless-monday).

## SHARE YOUR JOY!

Read a great book or heard an inspiring podcast? Our updated bulletin board (Library level hallway) is ready for your shout-outs! Share a quick review, rave, or reflection. To submit: Email [dawnr@fpckzoo.org](mailto:dawnr@fpckzoo.org) or drop it off at the office.

## PRINTED MEMBER DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE

Printed copies of the church member directory are now available for those who are unable to access the directory through the church app. If you would like a printed copy, please contact Kelly at [kellys@fpckzoo.org](mailto:kellys@fpckzoo.org). Copies are also available for our Deacons and Elders.

## PINE ISLAND WORSHIP

The next services at the chapel at 8882 W Q Ave. will be the 7 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service on April 5 and the returning Sunday evening service at 5 p.m. on April 19.

## FROM JUST SANCTUARY...

### Videos to watch

- ◆ *13TH* (on Netflix)
- ◆ *Stamped from the Beginning* (on Netflix)
- ◆ Previous group discussion of "How FDR Segregated Kalamazoo" recorded and available:



# APRIL BIRTHDAYS

## APRIL 1

Mervin Burtis

## APRIL 2

Connor Cloetingh  
Jeremy Diamond  
Martha Flynn  
Sheryl Lee-Ruff  
Mark Schreiner

## APRIL 3

Matt Molitor

## APRIL 4

Sam Cupps

## APRIL 5

Ruthie Crook

## APRIL 7

Cynthia Feucht  
Marilyn Jauch  
Michelle Molitor

## APRIL 8

Judy Johnson  
Danielle Sabato

## APRIL 9

Gene Miller  
Lisa Padgett

## APRIL 10

Jim Weeldreyer

## APRIL 11

Margot Kinnear  
Rollin Richman  
Kirsten Yohe

## APRIL 12

Michelle Greve  
David Lewis  
Sanny Nutter  
Helen Rathbun

## APRIL 14

Ann Rohrbaugh

## APRIL 15

Betty Bennett  
Cecilia Crook  
Salim Harik  
Karen Lewis

## APRIL 17

Cari Anderson  
Dave Drok

## APRIL 18

Nancy Johnson  
Amy Miedema  
Daphne Westbury

## APRIL 19

Julie Shaw

## APRIL 20

Jonathan Willoughby  
Jim Young

## APRIL 21

Sarah Graziano  
Emily Haite  
Cameryn Murray  
Donald Roberts

## APRIL 22

Jeanne Case

## APRIL 23

Keith Johnson  
Brian Kastman  
Philip Ward  
Chrissy Westbury

## APRIL 24

Greg Chambers

## APRIL 25

Ed Artman  
Sally DeBruyn  
Richard Finjap  
Sarah Johnson  
Diane Misner  
Kathy Smyser

## APRIL 27

Pamela Zandt

## APRIL 28

Jane Todd

## APRIL 30

Carol Noland

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

## SUNDAY, MARCH 29

- 9:00 a.m. **Choir Rehearsal**, Sanctuary
- 9:45 a.m. **Child Care/Nursery**, #208
- 9:45 a.m. **Blessing of the Palms**,  
Bronson Park
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship**, Sanctuary

## MONDAY, MARCH 30

- 9:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. **Recovery Institute (R.I.)**, Dining Rm/#308
- 12:00 p.m. **AA**, #300
- 12:30 p.m. **Downtown Walking Group**,  
Lovell St. Entrance
- 3:00 p.m. **Worship & Music Committee**,  
Library
- 7:00 p.m. **Scouts**, Dining Room

## TUESDAY, MARCH 31

- 9:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. **R.I.**, Dining Rm/#308
- 11:00 a.m. **Staff Meeting**, Archives
- 12:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. **Organ Practice**
- 6:00 p.m. **Kal Pipe Band**, Dining Room

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

- 8:30 a.m.—10:00 a.m. **Taking Root**, Library
- 9:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. **R.I.**, Dining Rm/#308
- 10:00 a.m. **OLLI Meeting**, #306
- 12:00 p.m. **Prayer Service**, Sanctuary
- 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. **Organ Practice**
- 1:00 p.m. **Communication Committee**,  
#301/online
- 5:00 p.m. **CTV: Red Door Dinner**,  
Dining Room
- 7:00 p.m. **Taking Root Service**,  
East Transept

## THURSDAY, APRIL 2

- 9:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. **R.I.**, Dining Rm/#308
- 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. **Library Work Time**
- 12:00 p.m. **AA**, #300
- 4:30 p.m. **Food Addicts**, #314/315
- 5:00 p.m. **Brass Rehearsal**, Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. **Maundy Thursday Service**,  
Sanctuary
- 8:00 p.m. **Choir Rehearsal**, Choir Room

## FRIDAY, APRIL 3

- 9:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. **R.I.**, Dining Rm/#308
- 9:00 a.m. **Piano Tuning**, Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. **Good Friday Tenebrae**,  
Sanctuary

## SUNDAY, APRIL 5

- 7:00 a.m. **Sunrise Service at Pine Island Chapel**, 8882 W Q Ave, Mattawan
- 9:00 a.m. **Choir Rehearsal**, Sanctuary
- 9:45 a.m. **Child Care/Nursery**, #208
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship**, Sanctuary



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:  
MONDAY - THURSDAY  
9 A.M. - 3 P.M.  
CLOSED FRIDAY, SATURDAY

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UPCOMING WORSHIP, 10 A.M.

**April 5**

**Resurrection of the Lord - Communion**

The Rev. Chrissy Westbury  
Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18

**April 19**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

Orlando Totobesola  
Luke 24:13-35

**April 12**

**Second Sunday of Easter**

The Rev. Jihyun Oh  
John 20:19-31

**April 26**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

The Rev. Chrissy Westbury  
Acts 2:42-47; John 10:1-10

*Grounded in living faith, receiving diversity as a gift, we seek to reflect Christ's light in God's world.  
Continually discerning God's vision of grace and peace, we share inspirational worship,  
spiritual nurture, compassionate service to others, and the pursuit of justice... all to the glory of God.*