

Christ UMC Worship
4.13.2025
Palm Sunday

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

OPENING MUSIC Dr. Johnathan Vest

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

* CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING SCRIPTURE Luke 19:29

Leader: When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here....Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

**People: "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"**

* OPENING HYMN "Who Is He?" 3082 (Green)
Congregation and Worship Band

**1 Who is He who comes in triumph?
Who is He who comes to die,
comes in peace and comes in power,
hidden One now lifted high?
Jesus, Jesus, Lord, Messiah,
mighty master of the grave!
See him ride, the King of glory!
God Himself has come to save!**

**2 See him there in humble splendor.
Hear them shouting all around.**

**Joy explodes in wild procession.
Praise is now the victor's crown.
"Glory, glory in the highest!"
Like the angels hear them sing,
dancing 'round the Long-awaited –
once their hope, and now their King.**

**3 Rise and join the glad procession!
Hear them passing by again –
all the ransomed, all his children,
marching to Jerusalem!
Look ahead- the gates of splendor!
Hear the everlasting hymn!
Open wide your hearts in worship!
Let the King of glory in!**

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* OPENING PRAYER

**Gracious God, as we stand at the gates of the city,
give us grace to recognize the Savior we proclaim,
and courage to be a part of your reign -
even when it goes against our ways and the ways of the world,
even when it leads us where we do not want to go.**

**Empower us to free ourselves from the tempting alternatives
of power and wealth and status, and embolden us to live lives
of thanksgiving, service, and praise.**

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven! Amen.

ACT OF PRAISE

"Freedom is Coming"
Worship Band

Fielding | Tan | Masella

Composers: Ben Fielding, Ben Tan, and Mi-kaisha Masella.
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GOD SPEAKS THE WORD TO US

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy
Spirit, that, as the scriptures are read and your word**

**proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today.
Amen.**

SCRIPTURE	Philippians 2:5-11	Lindy Thompson
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes
SCRIPTURE	Luke 22:24-27	Scott Heard
SERMON		Rev. Dr. Chris Haynes

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

RESPONSE	"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" <i>Worship Band</i> (Public domain)
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	Rev. Mark Price
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THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERING	Dr. Johnathan Vest
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*DOXOLOGY	95 (Red)
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**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SILENT REFLECTION

WE ARE SENT TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE IN THE WORLD

Prayer List

New Prayer Concerns

Susan Minor and Family following the death of her mother, Beverly Wallis
 Beth Negley
 Charles Perry
 David, Stewart, and Christian
 Denver McM
 Don (Duck) Niehoff
 Families of inmates at RMSI
 Fred Mann
 Joy Noble
 Karen Brutton
 Local storms, tornados, and flooding
 Peggy Holmes, mother of Hope Fazenbaker
 Robin Kennedy
 Unit 5 at RMSI on continuous lockdown

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Micah Davis	Caleb Lillard
Nancy Edmunds and Family following the death of her husband, Dave	Ed & Sue Mueller
Tami D'Angelo and Family following the death of her father, George Wintrode	Bob Munn
Kathy Holtz	Susan Murillo and Family following the death of her husband, Sam
Caroline Beshears and others who have lost Federal jobs	Chuck Neighbors
Jean Beshears	Sharlet Pankalkar's Mother
Chip Beshears	Terry Paradise
Binggeli Family	Peace in the Middle East
Bodhi	Judson Randolph
David and Velma Bradley	Shanelle and Austin Rauh
Susan Buck and Family following the death of her mother, Nhu Thi Sakura	Patricia Ring
Ken Burnette	Ed Saffell and Family following the death of his brother, Brian
Don Campbell	Aaron Seay
Family and friends of Lonnie Castle following his death	Jennifer Sturgill
Margaret Fortney	Ukraine
Mary Fredenhagen	Glenn Wienke
Olivia Haight	John Wigant
Tammy Hollis and Family	Terri Wildman
Donnie King	Cliff Wright
Jerry Kirk and Family following the death of his wife, Jane	