

**FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

Weatherford, OK

March 25, 2018

8:30AM & 10:30AM

Lent VI—Purple

Liturgists: Joyce Tegtmeyer (8:30AM);

Brenda Kimble (10:30AM)

✠ Please Stand As You Are Able

❖ 10:30AM Service Only

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

I. GOD'S FAMILY ENTERS INTO WORSHIP

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S CHILDREN FOR WORSHIP

You are invited to light a candle at one of the Prayer Stations, located at the far ends of the Chancel railing.

Servant Leader Opportunities Please View the Screens
Gathering Chimes . . . Let the people enter into silence
Greeting & Opening Prayer

Prelude *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"* Hemrich Fletcher
Marti Bessinger, organ

Words of Welcome
✠ "Feet and Greet" (*Let's get out of our seat, move our feet, and greet our sisters & brothers in Christ.*)

❖✠ Gathering Song *"Mighty To Save"* W. & S. No. 3038
(v. 1 soloist only; congregation sings only the "Refrain")

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP
This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. **Bind the festival procession with palm branches. Open the gates of righteousness for us so we can come in and give thanks to the Lord!** The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. **This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Hosanna in the highest!**

✠ THE PROCESSIONAL
Hymn of Praise U.M.H. No. 280
"All Glory Laud and Honor" (vv. 1, 3, 4,)
Lighting of the Altar Candles & Lifting Up the Cross

LIGHTING OF THE LENTEN CANDLES See Insert
A Litany For the Sixth Week of Lent
Cross Marked: Trusting
"Father, into Your hands I commit my spirit." (Luke 23:46)

❖ ANTHEM *"Hosanna in the Highest"* David W. Music
Chancel Choir; Maxine Page, director; Sophia Lee, piano
David Bessinger, persuasion

II. GOD'S FAMILY HEARS & RESPONDS

❖ 3-M (Mini-Methodists Moment) Ruth Boyd
As children enter the Chancel, **ALL SING** . . . W. & S. No. 3163
"Walking in the Light of God" (first page only) [see screens]
As children return to their seats, **ALL SING** . . . W. & S. No. 3163
"Walking in the Light of God" (first page only) [see screens]

❖ CHILDREN'S CHOIR ANTHEM
"Into Jerusalem" Marti Bessinger, director

EPISTLE LESSON Philippians 2:5-11

❖✠ HYMN OF PREPARATION U.M.H. No. 277
"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" (all 3 vv.)

✠ THE GOSPEL LESSON Mark 11:1-11
"Behold, the wisdom of God's Word!"
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

✠ GLORIA PATRI U.M.H. No. 70

THE HOMILY *"Who Is This King of Glory?"* Rev. Brack

THE RESPONSE Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 See Lectionary Insert

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN SERVICE

LIFTING UP OTHERS IN OUR PRAYERS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE PRAYER OF OUR LORD U.M.H. No. 895
❖ *"The Lord's Prayer"* (page 3, choral version) W. & S. No. 3070

III. GOD'S FAMILY GIVES THANKS

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY *"Corrente"* Arcangelo Corelli
Marti Bessinger, organ

✠ DOXOLOGY U.M.H. No. 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION OVER OUR GIFTS
Together, let us pray . . . **O God, for blessing us with many gifts, we thank You. Receive these gifts in token and thanks for the love You offer us, a love that makes us well and whole. AMEN.**

✠ OUR PRAYER LIST TODAY ✠

L: Lord, in Your mercy,

P: **Hear our prayers!**

All those living with cancer—Muriel Boden, Ann Widener, Linda Stengl (& spouse Gerald), John Chapman, Sherri Horst Clark, Jimmy Parker, Trent Lubers, Wanda Landers, Craig Dobrinski, Garry Howard, Ronnie Schulz, Danny, Rev. Larry Masoner, Jimmy Cole, John Fleming, Ricky Ray (father of Ty Ray), Holly Winters, Lambert Dunn (father of Jamie Sisson), Bobby Cornelson, Kristi Lamle, 34 y/o son of Terry Turner, Michael Chase (Lisa Clay's bro.), Troy Lee, Roy Ford, Hanson Sisson (Bob's bro.), Gloria Loken, Amy (sister of Dana Hoffman), Kay Tautfest.

Joys & Concerns—Jackie Ludrick (Maple Lawn N.H., Hydro, Rm. 3); rain; safe travels for all those traveling during Spring Break; Rose Ratcliffe; Betty Osmus (stroke recovery in Okeene hospital); Okla. teachers, education, & legislators; family & friends of Genevia Koch; grandson Evan growing up without his dad (Phil/Glenda Tannehill); LaVerna Reid; Cherie Payne (Brookdale); continued healing for Bryan Baxter's arm; Joyce Hamburger; all state & world leaders/God's wisdom; Kaye Zimmerman (mother of Shauna Rhoads); Mary Statser; Max Leonard W/CORN #301; All care-givers serving loved ones; Kenny & Karen Day (parents of Kim Blanton); Jon Blanton & family (son of David & Kim Blanton); Joy Blanton; Archer George; Jeanne Rookhuyzen; Bray Jarvis; Kirk Milligan; Kamdyn Taunton; those with addictions/mental illness/depression; Jason Mills; James Ediger (staying at Ft. Leavenworth for heart rehab); Armando; all those incarcerated and their families.

IV. GOD'S FAMILY IS SENT INTO THE WORLD

✧ HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP U.M.H. No. 622

"There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood" (vv. 1-3)

DRAPING OF THE CHANCEL WITH BLACK FOR HOLY WEEK

✧ COMMISSION and BLESSING

On the back of a donkey, **Jesus came to bless us.** With a love that did not count the cost, **Jesus came to heal us.** From hopelessness and despair, **Jesus came to free us.** With the power of the Holy Spirit, **Jesus came to save us.** Amen? **AMEN!**

✧❖ PARTING SONG & RECESSIONAL T.F.W.S. No. 2160

"Into My Heart" (both vv.)

**Into my heart, into my heart, come into my heart, Lord Jesus;
Come in today, come in to stay;
Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.**

**Out of my heart, out of my heart, shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus;
Shine out today, shine out always;
Shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus.**

POSTLUDE "Go To Dark Gethsemane" Powell
Marti Bessinger, organ

Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal-low-ed be your
name. Your king-dom come, your will be done on earth as in
heav - en. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For -
give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a -
gainst us. Save us from the time of trial and de -
liv - er us from e - vil, for the king - dom, the power, and the
glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er.



A man had two sons.
And he went to the first and said,
"Son, go and work in
the vineyard today."

MATTHEW 21:28

TODAY, MARCH 25th . . .

. Remember your special Lenten Offering next Sunday. Bring it to worship on Easter. Forty days in Lent—a dollar a day--\$40. Your Lenten offering will go to the W'ford Food & Resource Center.

. 2:00PM—Devotional service at WeatherWOOD Assisted Living Center. Come help us sing & fellowship.

. "Friends of Children Banquet" fundraiser for the Circle of Care will be Friday, April 20th, 6-8PM at the OKC Cowboy Hall of Fame. We now have two tables of 8 fully donated. Sign up to attend, FREE, for a seat at either Table #1 or Table #2 for the W'ford FUMC. Only 4 seats remaining! Sign-up today!

Coming Up . . .

, Wednesday, March 28th . . .
2PM to 4PM—Retirement reception for Joyce Tegtmeyer in the East Ballroom of the SWOSU Student Center.

, Holy Week Special Services . . .
--Thursday, Mar. 29th, 7:00PM
Maundy Thursday Holy Communion Service in the Sanctuary
--Friday, Mar. 30th, 7:00PM
Black (Good) Friday Service in the Sanctuary

, Easter Sunday, April 1st . . .
9:00AM to 10:15AM—Full Easter Breakfast, FREE, provided by Chef Jeff Short & Royce Ramey. Bring your family & friends! Fellowship Hall.
9:00AM to 10:20AM—"The Great Easter Surprise" special event for all children and youth. Kiddos—bring your Easter basket for the big egg hunt at 10:10M.

, Sign-up at the Welcome Center if you would like to serve as a Liturgist in either service, or as a Holy Communion Server in the 10:30AM service.