



# GOOD SHEPHERD STAFF

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### HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Holy Week services begin with **Palm Sunday** on April 10. Weather permitting, we will process into the Sanctuary from the courtyard. The **Maundy Thursday** service will be held at **7:30 p.m.** on April 14 in the Sanctuary. This day, we remember Jesus gave us a new command to love one another as he has loved us. On April 15, the **Good Friday** service will be held at **7:30 p.m.** in the Sanctuary.



*(See page 12 for Holy Week server information.)*

### EASTER SERVICES SET AT 6:30 AND 9:30 A.M.

The festival of Christ's victory over sin and death will be celebrated at both GSLC worship services on Easter Sunday, April 17. The Sunrise Easter Service begins at 6:30 a.m. and the Easter Service takes place at 9:30 a.m. Both services will celebrate Holy Communion.



After the Sunrise Service, everyone is invited to the FAB for our traditional Good Shepherd Easter Breakfast, served from 7:45-8:30 a.m. by the Parish Life Committee. The menu will be: scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, french toast, grits, biscuits, juice, coffee, and Krispy Kreme donuts. **All are welcome – and we'd love to meet any guests you may have visiting!**

*(See page 12 for Easter Service server information.)*

## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR



My dear Good Shepherd family,

We are rapidly approaching one of my favorite times of the church year. You may think I'm writing about Easter, and I certainly love Easter. Or perhaps you think I'm writing about Holy Week, and I do love Holy Week. In fact, I'm writing about both. I love the transition from death to life that the journey of Lent, Holy Week and Easter helps guide us through as God's people. The joy of Easter is made more radiant by the sorrow of Good Friday. When I was growing up at St. John's in Spartanburg my family always made a habit of going to worship on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday in addition to our custom of attending Easter worship. (In fact, when I was a child our pastor held worship every single night of Holy Week!) On Good Friday, we always closed with a solo rendition of *Were You There*. It did, in fact, sometimes cause me to tremble. The haunting thought of Jesus' crucifixion was underscored not just by the somber singing, but also by the stark nakedness of the altar and pulpit and the dim lights, nearly fully extinguished.

Yet on Easter Sunday morning, the sanctuary was bright and radiant. The altar and pulpit were adorned with white paraments. The sweet fragrance of lilies filled the air. Each Easter morning, we would always begin worship with the joyful tune *Christ is Risen! Alleluia!* And again, it was the contrast with the sorrow of Good Friday that made this so meaningful. Consider the third verse of this hymn:

*Christ is risen! All the sorrow that last evening round him lay  
now has found a glorious morrow in the rising of today.  
See the grave its firstfruits giving, springing up from holy ground;  
Christ was dead, but now is living; he was lost, but he is found.*

The hope and joy of Easter for us as God's people is not just the idea that our God is living, but that our God died *and* rose again. Christ endured death for us. Death is one of the common experiences of human life and Christ came to share that with us. Yet he also defeated death and he now lives forever, that we might live with him, now and forever.

Perhaps the real beauty of this time of year to me is found in that contrast—death and life, pain and beauty, darkness and light, grave clothes and resurrection garments. The beauty is that Christ walked with us through life and through death and back again. The beauty is that when death draws near, Christ is with us, always ready to give us the gift of new life and resurrection.

We will all experience the full spectrum of human experiences in our lives. No matter what happens to us or what we are going through, Christ is there with us, calling us out of sorrow into joy; out of death into life. When we mourn what seems to have passed away, we are met with comfort from our risen Lord and with assurances that he is indeed making all things new. I believe we are now entering such a season of renewal together. Though we may have a sense of pain and loss at times, we are also met by our Lord who is raising us up just as he was raised. Take heart and give thanks to the crucified and risen one, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Yours in all circumstances,  
Pastor Andrew

## FUN FRIDAYS RESUMES - APRIL 8



Fun Fridays participants will visit Good Shepherd again on Friday, April 8 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the FAB to resume their bi-monthly event which has been canceled due to the COVID pandemic.



All members of Good Shepherd are welcomed to be helpers at this event designed to give adults with developmental disabilities a night out with their friends and to give a night off for their caregivers.

If you can help or would like more information, please contact Susan Sturkie at [sloopystur@aol.com](mailto:sloopystur@aol.com) or 803-788-6807. Thanks to those who have volunteered, so this event sponsored by Good Shepherd can continue.

## DECORATING THE EASTER CROSS SATURDAY, APRIL 16

Again this year, the Evangelism committee will sponsor the outdoor cross for Easter. On Saturday, April 16 at 10 a.m., all church members are encouraged to bring flowers and greenery to Good Shepherd to place on the cross.



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR EASTER BREAKFAST SUNDAY, APRIL 17

Volunteers to help prepare the Easter breakfast are needed. YOGS are especially welcome. Interested volunteers should contact Mike Weaver at 803-609-1746.

## ATTENTION ALL ADULTS!

Look for information coming out soon about a new ministry for all adults (retirees, stay at home parents, taking a lunch break or day off folks). The circumstances of the pandemic offered the chance to evaluate our programs and to create new opportunities of ministry together. COVID may have shut down the previous adult group of "LiveWire," but it did not destroy the desire to be and serve together. A steering committee (Deb Embrey, Nancy Hyatt, Richard Inman, Billie Jones, Debi Powell, Steve Steck and Susan Uehling) is planning a kick-off event for this new ministry entitled "**Pathfinders of Good Shepherd**" (POGS.) Mark your calendars for a **pizza lunch** being held on **Wednesday, May 11, at 12 noon in the FAB**. All adults are welcome!!

## THANK YOU

Social Ministry thanks the members of Good Shepherd for their support of the January and February monthly emphasis. Good Shepherd made a donation of \$1,515 to The Woodyard Fund. The Woodyard Fund is administered by the Salvation Army and helps those in need pay their utility bills in the winter.

*Dear Everyone at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,*

*Thank you so much for your kind donation of \$1,000 to support the Backpack Program at Conder Elementary School! Our students and families are thankful for your generosity. These weekend food bags truly make a difference in the lives of our students.*

*Sincerely,  
Leslie Roth  
Conder School Social Worker*



## ACOLYTES AND CRUCIFERS NEEDED

Volunteers needed for Sunday Worship Services for Acolyte and Crucifer. All congregational members, youth and adult, are welcome. Please notify Becky Shealy 803-467-4065 or the church office if you are interested.



## APRIL 2022 MEETINGS

April 5	Evangelism Committee (5:30 p.m.)
April 7	Mary Circle (10:00 a.m.)
	Gifts Committee (4:30 p.m.)
	Finance Committee (6:00 p.m.)
April 19	Executive Committee (3:00 p.m.)
	Worship Life Committee (5:00 p.m.)
April 21	Dorcas Circle (5:30 p.m.)
	Learning Committee (5:30 p.m.)
	Tamar Circle (6:30 p.m.)
April 24	Council (6:30 p.m.)
April 26	Social Ministry (6:00 p.m.)
April 27	WELCA Board (5:30 p.m.)

***Please call the church office to reserve a room for any upcoming meetings.***





# FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Good Shepherd Food Pantry packed 26 bags of groceries serving 92 individuals in February.

# LENTEN SELF-DENIAL OFFERING 2022

The recipients of this year's Lenten Self-Denial Offerings will be the Backpack Programs at Conder Elementary School, Forest Lake Elementary School, and Bradley Elementary School.



Many children only eat at school, and dread going home for the weekend when they know they will be hungry. Backpack programs operate during the school year and provide children who are at risk of hunger with healthy, nutritious food to take home for the weekend, during school vacations, and on holidays.

Backpacks or other containers are stocked with nutritious, child-friendly and easy to prepare food. They are distributed discreetly on Fridays or the last day children attend school for the week. In collaboration with Harvest Hope Food Bank and other charities, schools strive to fill each child's backpack with enough food for dinner on Friday and breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks on both Saturday and Sunday.

# RAMP MINISTRY UPDATE



2022 is the 15<sup>th</sup> year of the ramp ministry at GSLC and we have been very blessed to have a substantial number of volunteers through the years. Some of our volunteers are getting older, but not all, and some have moved away, or pursued other opportunities to serve. As these pictures show, volunteers come in all ages, sizes, and gender. It would be a



big help if we had younger helpers! No special skills or tools are needed, but they come in handy. If this is something you would like to try, call or email Mike Weaver.



## **YOUNG FAMILY MINISTRY EASTER EGG HUNT SUNDAY, APRIL 3 AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Young Family Ministries will host the annual Easter Egg Hunt for our little ones up to 2<sup>nd</sup> graders. Kids and families please meet at the Church Fountain after Sunday School at 11:45 a.m. A donation basket will be in the Narthex for those who would be willing to donate candy or small toys to fill the eggs. Please return the filled eggs, or bags of treats to be filled, no later than April 3 before Sunday School.

## **GRADUATES**

If you or someone in your family, who is a Good Shepherd member, is graduating from high school, college or other school, please let us know. We want to congratulate and acknowledge this accomplishment. Let us know the school, any degrees or honors, college or future plans (if applicable). Call the office at 803-787-4413 or email [parishadmin@gscl.com](mailto:parishadmin@gscl.com). Please contact the office by April 13, for publication in the May newsletter.



## **YOGS – GOOD FRIDAY DINNER**

All YOGS are gathering at 5:00 p.m. in the Youth Room on Good Friday, April 15 to walk to Zesto's for dinner and ice cream. Then our youth will return to Good Shepherd for Good Friday service. Please make sure your child has money for dinner and contact Barbara Rowell with any questions. Thank you Barbara for leading this activity.



## **GOD'S YOUNG FOLLOWERS GLOW IN THE DARK EASTER EGG HUNT FRIDAY, APRIL 1**

Children in grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> are invited to meet in the FAB for this new fun event. It will be on Friday, April 1 from 7:00 p.m. to approximately 8:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided. Volunteers are needed for this event. Please contact Amy Kemp or sign up in the Narthex if you are interested in helping. Parents, please let Amy know if your child (and friends) will be in attendance so we can plan accordingly.



## SHROVE TUESDAY

Shrove Tuesday on March 1 had a great turnout for volunteers and those who came to eat some yummy pancakes. Thank you to Joey Allison, Anna-Marie Plyler, Terri Tokaz, Debi Powell, Jon Frew, Kelly Grace and Jim Lalumondier, Mike Weaver, Sandy Gundlach, Blake, Savannah, Stacy and Kevin Gross, William and Madelyn Snodgrass and Amy Kemp. We could not have done it without you! There were 53 members in attendance and we raised \$158.88 for the Youth Summer Mission Fund.





## APRIL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

### Worship and Sunday School Schedule

9:30 Worship Service  
 10:45-11:25 Children Sunday School class  
 11:25-11:45 Children's Music  
 10:45-11:45 Confirmation Class  
 in Conference Room  
 10:45-11:45 Adult Sunday School

### Around The Corner Adult Class: Classroom 2

Discussion Leader: Stacy Gross

Topic: Self-Care: What Scripture tells us about caring for ourselves and others

\*This class starts at 10:55 to give parents time to drop children off at Sunday school.

### Come and See Adult Class: Classroom 1

April 3: Bruce Shealy Topic: Bible readings for following Sunday

April 10: Bruce Shealy Topic: Bible readings for following Sunday

April 17: Easter Sunday No Sunday School

April 24: Ed Woodward Topic: Thessalonians

### Fellowship Adult Class: Classroom 5

Bible Study Leader: Don Caughman

Topic: Events leading up to the Crucifixion and after the Resurrection

## SAVE THE DATE

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 20-23.

Each evening our children will learn more about God's gifts and love through stories, games, crafts, and more. Please visit the VBS sign-up sheet in the narthex to help make this a wonderful experience for our young learners. You can also contact Heather Gilbert (hblommer5@yahoo.com) if you are interested in volunteering for VBS.

## GOOD SHEPHERD FOUNDATION

The Good Shepherd Foundation was created to assist the Church in carrying out its religious, charitable, educational and other tax exempt missions. The Foundation accomplishes its purpose by collecting contributions, donations and bequests, investing Foundation assets and then making distributions in the form of grants to appropriate persons and organizations as defined by Foundation policies.

The grants made by the Foundation should be supported by an active member of Good Shepherd Church, a "Congregational Shepherd." The Congregational Shepherd should have knowledge of the proposed project and be able to ensure that grants are used appropriately. In accordance with the operating policies of the Foundation, grants may be awarded in the following four areas:

- Grants for outreach to the community, including institutions and agencies that have common goals as Good Shepherd Church. Programs should target those in our community that have spiritual and/or economic need.
- Grants to agencies of the South Carolina Synod of the ELCA for missions at home and abroad.
- Grants to members of Good Shepherd Church for Christian education and training.
- Grants for non-budgeted projects of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Grants are awarded twice yearly. Deadlines for applications are May 1 and November 1.

Awards are made shortly after deadline dates. Total grant funds may be limited; individual grants are currently limited to \$2,000.

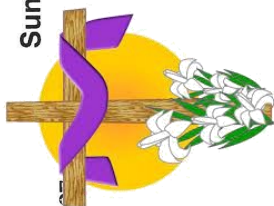
**Applications are available on the table in the Chapel area. Applications should be returned to the church office in a sealed envelope**

If you are interested in making a gift to the foundation, please see one of the foundation board members: Jeff Inabinet, Charlene Fink, Chris Herrmann, Raymond Hendrix or Stacy Gross.



# April 2022

## Sunday



## Monday

## Tuesday

## Wednesday

## Thursday

## Friday

## Saturday

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9:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary) & Live-Stream  
10:00 AM - 12:30 PM Korean Lutheran Worship Service (Youth Room)  
10:45 AM - 11:45 AM Adult Sunday School (CL 1, 2 or 5)  
10:45 AM - 11:25 AM Children's Sunday School  
10:45 AM - 11:45 AM Confirmation Class (Conference Room)  
11:25 AM - 11:45 AM Children's Music  
11:45 AM Easter Egg Hunt

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**Palm Sunday**  
9:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary) & Live-Stream  
10:00 AM - 12:30 PM Korean Lutheran Worship Service (Youth Room)  
10:45 AM - 11:45 AM Adult Sunday School (CL 1, 2 or 5)  
10:45 AM - 11:25 AM Children's Sunday School  
10:45 AM - 11:45 AM Confirmation Class (Conference Room)  
11:25 AM - 11:45 AM Children's Music

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**Easter Sunday**  
**Food Pantry Sunday**  
6:30 AM Sunrise Easter Service  
7:45 AM - 8:30 AM Easter Breakfast (FAB)  
9:30 AM Easter Service (Sanctuary)  
10:00 AM - 12:30 PM Korean Lutheran Worship Service (Youth Room)

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9:30 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary) & Live-Stream  
10:00 AM - 12:30 PM Korean Lutheran Worship Service (Youth Room)  
10:45 AM - 11:45 AM Adult Sunday School (CL 1, 2 or 5)  
10:45 AM - 11:25 AM Children's Sunday School  
10:45 AM - 11:45 AM Confirmation Class (Conference Room)  
11:25 AM - 11:45 AM Children's Music  
6:30 PM Council meeting (Conference Room)

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11:30 AM Bible Study (FAB)  
5:30 PM Evangelism Committee meeting (CL 2)  
6:30 PM Youth & Children Committee meeting (Youth Room)

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11:30 AM Bible Study (FAB)

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11:30 AM Bible Study (FAB)  
3:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting (Conference Room)  
5:00 PM Worship Life Committee meeting (CL 2)

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11:30 AM Bible Study (FAB)  
6:00 PM Social Ministry Committee meeting (Conference Room)

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8:00 AM Zoom Bible Study  
12:00 PM Wednesday Lenten Service (Sanctuary)  
5:30 PM Lenten Small Group (Parlor)  
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM [private event] Friendly Atmosphere Mentoring (Youth Room)  
6:30 PM Wednesday Lenten Service (Sanctuary)

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**Newsletter Deadline**  
8:00 AM Zoom Bible Study  
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM [private event] Friendly Atmosphere Mentoring (Youth Room)

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8:00 AM Zoom Bible Study  
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM [private event] Friendly Atmosphere Mentoring (Youth Room)

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8:00 AM Zoom Bible Study  
5:30 PM WELCA Board meeting (Parlor)

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10:00 AM Mary Circle meeting (FAB)  
1:00 PM - 9:00 PM set up for Fun Fridays (FAB)  
4:30 PM Gifts Committee meeting (Conference Room)  
6:00 PM Finance Committee meeting (Conference Room)

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7:30 PM Maundy Thursday Service (Sanctuary)

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5:30 PM Dorcas meeting (Conference Room)  
5:30 PM Learning Committee Meeting (CL 2)  
6:30 PM Tamar meeting

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6:00 PM - 8:00 PM [private event] Friendly Atmosphere Mentoring (Youth Room)

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7:00 PM - 8:30 PM GYF Easter Egg Hunt (FAB)

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6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Fun Fridays (FAB)

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5:00 PM YOGS walk to Zesto's (meet in Youth Room)  
7:30 PM Good Friday Service (Sanctuary)

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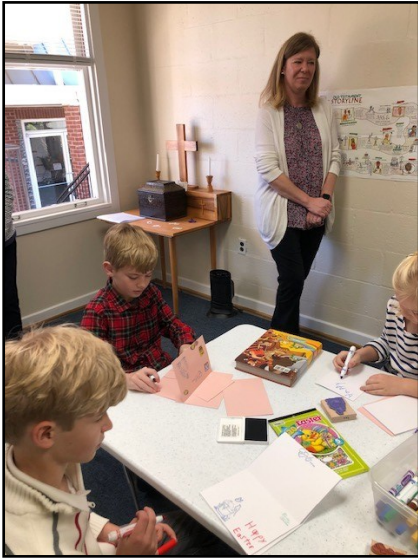
## BRINGING EASTER JOY TO OUR HOMEBOUND

At their March meeting, the Dorcas Group prepared Easter Baskets to be delivered to our Good Shepherd homebound members. This project was made possible by a Thrivent grant obtained by Susan Uehling. Our Good Shepherd children, K - 5th grade, enjoyed making cards to be delivered with the baskets.

Please take a moment to look at the list of names of our homebound members located in the monthly newsletters and weekly bulletins. These are members who cannot attend many of our services or events. They would always appreciate a card, a call and or a visit at any time!









**WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR APRIL**  
**COUNCIL PERSON OF THE MONTH: Don Caughman**  
**OPENING BUILDINGS: Don Caughman**

DATE	4/3/22	Palm Sunday 4/10/22	Easter Sunday 4/17/22	4/24/22	5/1/22
<b>USHERS</b>	Bruce Shealy, Jeff Inabinet, Jerry Rogers, Jim Lalumondier	Bruce Shealy, Jeff Inabinet, Greg Sox Jim Lalumondier	<i>See Below</i>	Greg Sox, Jeff Inabinet, Jerry Rogers, Jim Lalumondier	Chris Herrmann, Matthew Herrmann, Dick Sturkie, Sid Havird
<b>WORSHIP ASSISTANTS</b>	Lector: Alice Buckner Communion Assistant: Joey Allison	Lector & Communion Assistant: Marcia Woodward	<i>See Below</i>	Lector & Communion Assistant: Steve Steck	Lector: Stacy Gross Communion Assistant: Gaye Tucker
<b>ACOLYTE &amp; CRUCIFER</b>	A: Kelly Grace Lalumondier C: Eden Rowell	A: Evelyn Ortiz C: Becky Shealy	<i>See Below</i>	A: Savannah Gross C: Don Caughman	A: Evelyn Ortiz C: Eden Rowell
<b>NURSERY</b>	Alexis Boyles, Shayla Williams	Shayla Williams, Heavenly Edenfield	<b>9:30 Service:</b> Heavenly Edenfield, Alexis Boyles	Shayla Williams, Heavenly Edenfield	Alexis Boyles, Shayla Williams
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Joey Allison	Joey Allison	Joey Allison	Joey Allison	Marcia Woodward
<b>TABULATORS</b>	Karen Lucas, Donna Foster	Jim Tucker, Becky Shealy	Jamie Sanders, Mary Margaret Hoy	Leigh Ford, David Lucas	TBD

**HOLY WEEK SERVICES  
 WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS**

***Maundy Thursday, April 14 7:30 p.m.***

Ushers: Jeff Inabinet,  
 Jerry Rogers, Jim Lalumondier  
 Lector & Communion Assistant:  
 Marcia Woodward  
 Acolyte: Adam Ortiz  
 Crucifer: Matthew Herrmann

***Good Friday, April 15 7:30 p.m.***

Ushers: Jeff Inabinet,  
 Bruce Shealy, Greg Sox  
 Lector: Don Caughman  
 Acolyte: Savannah Gross

**EASTER SUNDAY  
 WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS**

**6:30 a.m.** Ushers: Greg Sox, Jeff Inabinet, Marion  
 Eargle, Jim Lalumondier  
 Lector & Communion Assistant: Don Caughman  
 Acolyte: Anna-Marie Plyler  
 Crucifer: Mike Sanchez  
 Torch Bearer: Barbara Rowell & Becky Shealy  
 Banner Bearer: Aaron Spangler

**9:30 a.m.** Ushers: Bruce Shealy, Jeff Inabinet, Jerry  
 Rogers, Jim Lalumondier  
 Lector & Communion Assistant: Don Caughman  
 Acolyte: Blake Gross  
 Crucifer: Eden Rowell  
 Torch Bearer: Evelyn Ortiz & Kelly Grace Lalumondier  
 Banner Bearer: Matthew Herrmann



## DIRECTORY UPDATE

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## Bible Study



## TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Meet in the FAB on  
Tuesday mornings at  
11:30 a.m. for a Bible Study.



## WEDNESDAY ZOOM BIBLE STUDY



Zoom Bible Study will be led by  
Pastor Andrew each Wednesday at **8:00 a.m.**  
A reminder with a meeting link will be sent by  
email each week.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



## APRIL BIRTHDAYS (ACCORDING TO CHURCH RECORDS)

<b>3</b>	Rose Butterfield	<b>10</b>	Zak Taylor	<b>19</b>	Daniel Mueller	<b>27</b>	Lewis Cromer
	Verna Sawyer	<b>12</b>	Jason Ortiz	<b>20</b>	William Foster		Mark Jakiela
<b>4</b>	Cameron Vaadi		Russell Slice	<b>21</b>	James Isenhower	<b>29</b>	Amanda Snodgrass
<b>5</b>	Lucas Ferlauto	<b>14</b>	Greer Crow	<b>23</b>	Chris Herrmann		Andrew Alton
<b>6</b>	Sarah McFarland		Harper Shelton	<b>24</b>	Diane Smith	<b>30</b>	Debi Powell
<b>7</b>	Anne Mueller	<b>15</b>	Brock Tollison	<b>25</b>	Lillie Wilson		Suzanne Sanders
<b>9</b>	Bill Jordan	<b>16</b>	Walker Inabinet	<b>26</b>	Karen Lucas		
	Joe Lockhart	<b>17</b>	Alex Nagy	<b>27</b>	Maddie Vaadi		

## LECTIONARY FOR APRIL 2022

### **APRIL 3—FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

Our God makes all things new. In the first reading God promises it. In the gospel Mary anticipates it, anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume in preparation for the day of his burial. In the second reading Paul recalls his transformation from the persecutor Saul into an apostle. In baptism, God's new person (you!) rises daily from the deadly mire of trespasses and sins.

#### **FIRST READING – Isaiah 43:16-21**

*The prophet declares that long ago God performed mighty deeds and delivered Israel from Egyptian bondage through the waters of the sea. Now, God is about to do a new thing, bringing the exiles out of Babylon and through the wilderness in a new Exodus.*

#### **PSALM – Psalm 126**

*Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy. (Ps. 126:5)*

#### **SECOND READING – Philippians 3:4b-14**

*Writing to Christians in Philippi, Paul admits that his heritage and reputation could give him more reason than most people to place confidence in his spiritual pedigree. But the overwhelming grace of God in Jesus calls Paul to a new set of values.*

#### **GOSPEL – John 12:1-8**

*Judas willfully misinterprets as waste Mary's extravagant act of anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume. Jesus recognizes that her lavish gift is both an expression of love and an anticipation of his burial.*

### **APRIL 10—PALM SUNDAY**

Today we follow Christ from triumphal entry to the cross, each waypoint of the journey marked by Jesus' compassion for those who would betray, mock, accuse, or do violence to him. Though persecuted and beaten, Jesus the Son of God is not disgraced; instead, he asks forgiveness for those who put him to death. We have walked the Lenten pathway these forty days, each of us invited through baptism to "let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus." We enter this holy week accompanying Jesus to the cross with both grief and thanksgiving in our hearts, trusting in God's redeeming love.

#### **FIRST READING – Isaiah 50:4-9a**

*This text, the third of the four Servant Songs in Isaiah, speaks of the servant's obedience amid persecution. Though the servant has been variously understood as the prophet himself or a remnant of faithful Israel, Christians have often recognized the figure of Christ in these poems.*

#### **PSALM – Psalm 31:9-16**

*Into your hands, O LORD, I commend my spirit. (Ps. 31:5)*

#### **SECOND READING – Philippians 2:5-11**

*Paul quotes from an early Christian hymn that describes Jesus' humble obedience in his incarnation as a human being, even to death, and his exaltation and glory as Lord of all.*

#### **GOSPEL – Luke 22:14—23:56**

*Through the teachings and events of the passion story we see and hear the great contradictions that*

*characterize the coming of God's reign. The leader serves the followers, proud Peter is revealed in his cowardice, and Jesus—the innocent bringer of life—is arrested, beaten, executed, and buried.*

### **APRIL 17—RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD: EASTER DAY**

"The last enemy to be destroyed is death," Paul writes. Today Christ is risen, and we gather together with astonishment and joy. Christ is risen, and we have been set free from the bonds of death. Christ is risen, and we are forgiven. Christ is risen, and with the women at the tomb and Peter, we are amazed. Let us rejoice: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

#### **FIRST READING – Acts 10:34-43**

*Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, receives forgiveness of sins through his name.*

#### **PSALM – Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**

*This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Ps. 118:24)*

#### **SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 15:19-26**

*Paul describes the consequences of the resurrection, including the promise of new life in Christ to a world that has been in bondage to death. He celebrates the destruction of evil and the establishment of God's victorious rule over all.*

#### **GOSPEL – Luke 24:1-12**

*Evidently expecting to find Jesus' corpse, some of the women among his followers go to the tomb with embalming spices. After a perplexing encounter with the empty tomb and angelic visitors, the women become the first to proclaim the amazing news of resurrection.*

### **APRIL 24—SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

In spite of all we have heard and all we have seen, it is often hard to believe. Because it is hard to believe, we will invest ourselves in the Easter mystery for fifty days (a week of weeks). Because it is hard to believe, John the evangelist will provide sign after sign celebrating Jesus' victory over death. Because it is hard to believe, the risen Jesus will return to us again and again in the mystery of holy communion, inviting us to touch and taste his presence, and offering us his peace.

#### **FIRST READING – Acts 5:27-32**

*Peter has been arrested for proclaiming the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection. His response to the charges of the high priest summarizes the early church's proclamation of forgiveness of sin through repentance.*

#### **PSALM – Psalm 118:14-29**

*You are my God, and I will exalt you. (Ps. 118:28)*

#### **SECOND READING – Revelation 1:4-8**

*The book of Revelation recounts a mystical vision of the risen Christ experienced by a Christian prophet named John. Here he describes Christ as a timeless redeemer, the beginning, present, and end of all time.*

#### **GOSPEL – John 20:19-31**

*The unprecedented events of the day of resurrection continue as the risen Jesus appears to his fearful disciples. A week later, after Thomas worships Jesus, Jesus pronounces that the blessings of the resurrection are also for those who "have not seen and yet believe."*



## WITH PRAYER

<i>Rev. Russ Anderson</i>	<i>Dot Correll</i>	<i>Trisha Holman</i>	<i>Cathy Quinton</i>
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**Please do not assume that we know the name should be renewed or removed.**



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<i>Sue Baugh—mother of Cheryl Beaman's friend</i>	<i>Barbara Reese—friend of Justine Parker &amp; Joyce Mobley</i>
<i>Robin Boggs—daughter of Anne Rush</i>	<i>Henry Richardson—father of Amanda Snodgrass</i>
<i>Luna Brown—3-year-old cousin of Amanda Snodgrass</i>	<i>Joanne Schweitzer—sister of Mary Claire McAbee</i>
<i>Schuyler Carter—grandson of Bonnie Hammond</i>	<i>Marise Shumpert—friend of Rosemary Nance</i>
<i>Allie Clark—friend of Betty Cox</i>	<i>Ann Summer—sister of Verna Sawyer</i>
<i>Ruth Collins—friend of Dena Phillips</i>	<i>Family of Faye Swetlik—friends of Dena Phillips</i>
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<i>Lamar Harper—brother of Gwen Barnes</i>	<i>Joey Turner, college friend of Trisha Benson</i>
<i>Forrest Hinebaugh—father of Elaine Zornow</i>	<i>Gayle Watts—friend of Leigh Ford</i>
<i>David Hinshaw – Deb Embrey's nephew</i>	<i>Terry Weaver—mother of Mike Weaver</i>
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<i>Greg Lehman—brother of Lisa Lehman</i>	<i>Shirley Zornow—mother of Peter Zornow</i>
<i>Sylvia Livingston—mother of Cheryl Beaman</i>	
<i>George Mills—father of Susan Weaver</i>	
<i>Jimmy Munn—cousin of Betty Cox</i>	
<i>Stella Parrish—friend of Rosemary Nance</i>	
<i>Karl Portee – friend of Meals on Wheels volunteers</i>	

## WITH SYMPATHY

*Joye Broome*  
*Alice Hollis, mother of Janette Robinson*

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# CALENDAR



## APRIL

April 1	7:00-8:30 p.m. GYF Easter Egg Hunt
April 3	<b>Sunday morning schedule</b> 11:45 a.m. YFM Easter Egg Hunt
April 6	12:00 noon Lenten Service 5:30 p.m. Lenten Small Group 6:30 p.m. Lenten Service
April 10	<b>Palm Sunday</b> <b>Sunday morning schedule</b>
April 14	<b>7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service</b>
April 15	5:00 p.m. YOGS walk to Zesto's <b>7:30 p.m. Good Friday Service</b>
April 17	<b>Resurrection of our Lord Sunday</b> <b>Food Pantry Sunday</b> 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Easter Service 7:45-8:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast 9:30 a.m. Easter Service
April 18	<b>May Newsletter Deadline</b>
April 24	<b>Sunday morning schedule</b>