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Palm Sunday (6th Sunday in Lent)

March 29, 2026

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

The Common Thread: *This is why we know of Jesus today. Long ago, at his Father's bidding, he came to earth to be crucified. More specifically, he lived among us so that he would die for our sins, his body broken and his blood spilled in order that God's forgiving grace could be made available to all who believe. In order for this to happen, God had to provide his grace in a just manner; the penalty of the sin of a world had to be paid. So both God and humanity must die: a human because we sinned, and God because he would pay the debt of all. And so, the Son of God became the Son of Man, setting his face like flint, determined to save those who have no strength to save themselves, wasted as they are by sin. As man, he became obedient to God, and suffered every sinner's sentence—death so that we might live. This is why we know of Jesus today.*

Union Lutheran Church welcomes you as you join us in worship this morning. Please fill out the communion/visitor card so that we can be made aware of your presence. If you have questions or are interested in the ministries and life of Union, please see the pastor, contact the church office, or scan the QR code.

We welcome children to be a part of worship. A nursery is also provided for those attending to the needs of infants and small children.

Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW) green hymnal ~ With One Voice (WOV) blue hymnal
P=Pastor, C=Congregation, L=Lay Reader

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ORDER FOR WORSHIP

Sola Publishing Alternate Lenten Liturgy and Lutheran Book of Worship Setting 2

The branches are distributed before the worship service begins.

The minister, acolytes, crucifer, Chancel Choir and Little Lutherans (Joyful Lambs) will gather in the Narthex.

Welcome & Announcements

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

Trumpet Announcement

Procession with Palms

P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. (Psalm 118:26)

C **Hosanna to the Son of David.** (Matthew 21:9)

Prayer

P Let us pray, mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.** (2 Timothy 4:22)

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.** (Psalm 100:4-5)

P We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was acclaimed Son of David and Kings of kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path.

We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen**

P Let us go forth in peace,

C **in the name of the Lord.** (Isaiah 55:12-13)

The procession into the church begins.

The altar candles lit represent Jesus' life and ministry. During Lent we have extinguished candles, remembering how we, the human race, rejected Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Today the Christ Candle, Altar Candles, and only 1 candle on the candelabras will be lit at this time.

Processional Hymn: *Prepare the Royal Highway*

LBW# 26

**1 Prepare the royal highway; the King of kings is near!
Let ev'ry hill and valley a level road appear!
Then greet the King of glory, foretold in sacred story:**

Refrain **Hosanna to the Lord, for he fulfills God's word!**

**2 God's people, see him coming: your own eternal king!
Palm branches strew before him! Spread garments! Shout and sing!
God's promise will not fail you! No more shall doubt assail you! *Refrain***

**3 Then fling the gates wide open to greet your promised king!
Your king, yet ev'ry nation its tribute too may bring.
All lands will bow before him; their voices join your singing: *Refrain***

**4 His is no earthly kingdom; it comes from heav'n above.
His rule is peace and freedom and justice, truth, and love.
So let your praise be sounding for kindness so abounding: *Refrain***

Text: Franz Mikael Franzen, 1772-1847 Tr. hymnal version, 1978 Tr. © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship Tune: BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN Swedish folk tune, 14th cent.

P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. (*Psalm 118:26*)

C **Hosanna in the highest.** (*Matthew 21:9*)

Kyrie is omitted for Palm Sunday.

Hymn of Praise is omitted during the season of Lent.

Salutation (*2 Timothy 4:22*)

LBW p.82

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, you have sent your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross, that all of humanity should follow the example of his great humility. Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen**

Please be seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Children are invited to come forward for the Children's Message as the congregation sings the Palm Sunday Children's Song to the tune of "She'll Be Coming Around the Mountains."

**1 He'll be riding on a donkey when he comes (x2)
He'll be riding on a donkey, He'll be riding on a donkey,
He'll be riding on a donkey when he comes.**

*So we'll sing hosanna when he comes (x2)
So we'll sing hosanna, So we'll sing hosanna,
So we'll sing hosanna when he comes.*

2 We will all come out to meet him when he comes...

Children's Message

Following the Children's Message, the children are asked to sit with their families while the congregation sings the last two stanzas of the Palm Sunday Children's Song.

3 We will throw our cloaks* before him when he comes...

4 We will wave our palms to greet him when he comes...

(*or coats, or whatever)

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The first lesson is written in the 50th chapter of Isaiah.

⁴The LORD God has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. ⁵The LORD God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. ⁷But the LORD God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. ⁸He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. ^{9a}Behold, the LORD God helps me; who will declare me guilty?

L Here ends the reading.

Psalm 118:19-29 *The Psalm of the Day is sung in unison.*

**C ¹⁹Open for me the | gates of righteousness;*
I will enter them; I will offer thanks | to the LORD.
²⁰"This is the gate | of the LORD;*
he who is | righteous may enter."
²¹I will give thanks to you, for you | answered me*
and have become | my salvation.
²²The same stone which the build- | ers rejected***

has become the chief | cornerstone.

²³This is | the LORD's doing,*

and it is marvelous | in our eyes.

²⁴On this day the | LORD has acted;*

we will rejoice and be | glad in it.

²⁵Hosannah, | LORD, hosannah!*

LORD, send us | now success.

²⁶Blessed is he who comes in the name | of the LORD;*

we bless you from the house | of the LORD.

²⁷God is the LORD; he has | shined upon us;*

form a procession with branches up to the horns | of the altar.

²⁸“You are my God, and | I will thank you;*

you are my God, and I | will exalt you.”

²⁹Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;*

his mercy en- | dures forever.

New Testament Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11

The second lesson is written in the 2nd chapter of Philippians.

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

L Here ends the reading.

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

Lenten Gospel Verse *Return to the Lord* (Joel 2:12-13)

LBW p. 83

C Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 21st chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

¹As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away.” ⁴This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: ⁵“Say to Daughter Zion, ‘See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.’” ⁶The disciples went and did

as Jesus had instructed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, “Hosanna to the Son of David!” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Hosanna in the highest heaven!” ¹⁰ When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, “Who is this?” ¹¹ The crowds answered, “This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon: *Holy Chaos*

Pastor Heidi Punt

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

Hymn of the Day: *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

LBW# 108

Refrain All glory, laud, and honor To you, redeemer, king,
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.

1 You are the king of Israel And David’s royal Son,
Now in the Lord’s Name coming, Our King and Blessed One. *Refrain*

2 The company of angels Are praising you on high;
Creation and all mortals In chorus make reply. *Refrain*

3 The multitude of pilgrims With palms before you went.
Our praise and prayers and anthems Before you we present. *Refrain*

4 To you, before your passion, They sang their hymns of praise.
To you, now high exalted, Our melody we raise. *Refrain*

5 Their praises you accepted; Accept the prayers we bring,
Great author of all goodness, O good and gracious King. *Refrain*

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Nicene Creed (*Romans 10:9-10*)

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C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is

seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

**Or, We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.*

Prayers of the Church (1 Timothy 2:1-4)

P Let us pray for the Church, the world, and all people according to their need.

A brief silence

After each portion of the prayers:

P Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P Hear and graciously answer our prayers, O blessed Savior, according to the mercy and favor you have for your people.

C Amen.

Sharing of the Peace (John 20:19)

LBW p. 86

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Offering (Malachi 3:10)

The Offering is received as the Lord's Table is prepared.

All loose offerings will go towards the Special Offering Fund.

The monthly benevolence will go towards the North American Lutheran Seminary.

Anthem: *A Celebration of Palms* (Martin)

Chancel Choir

MEAL

God invites us to His table.

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

Offertory *Create in me a clean heart, O God* (Psalm 51:10-12)

LBW p. 96

C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

Offertory Prayer

P God of love, you have provided for our every need from your abundant bounty. Grant us grateful hearts that we may give generously to those in need and thereby show your love to the world around us.

C Amen

The Great Thanksgiving (2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136)

LBW p. 88-91

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on the tree of the cross gave salvation to all, that, where death began, there life might be restored, and that he, who by a tree once overcame, might by a tree be overcome. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus *Holy, Holy, Holy* (Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9; Revelation 4:8)

LBW p. 89

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Words of Institution (33)

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(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4)

LBW p. 91

C **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 and ever. Amen**

Please be seated.

Those who are assisting with Holy Communion are asked to come forward at this time.

Agnus Dei *Lamb of God* (John 1:29)

LBW p.92

C Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution of Communion (Mark 14:23)

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the form of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation.

All who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

Please fill out the communion card in the pew and hand to the Usher as you follow their directions to the communion station.

Gluten Free wafers and grape juice are also available upon request.

Communion Music

The congregation is invited to stand as able.

Blessing (1 Thessalonians 5:23)

LBW p.92

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

Post-Communion Canticle *Lord, now let your servant* (Luke 2:29-32)

LBW p. 93-94

C Lord, now you let your servant go in peace; your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people: A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

Post-Communion Prayer (James 1:12)

P Blessed is the one who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

C Amen

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Benediction (Numbers 6:24-26)

LBW p. 95

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen

The minister, acolytes, crucifer, Chancel Choir, and Little Lutherans (Joyful Lambs) recess out.

Recessional Hymn: *Ride On, Ride On in Majesty*

LBW# 121

**1 Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hear all the tribes hosanna cry;
O Savior meek, your road pursue, With palms and scattered garments strewed.**

- 2 **Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, your triumphs now begin O'er captive death and conquered sin.**
- 3 **Ride on, ride on in majesty! The winged squadrons of the sky
Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes To see the approaching sacrifice.**
- 4 **Ride on, ride on in majesty! Your last and fiercest strife is nigh.
The Father on his sapphire throne Awaits his own anointed Son.**
- 5 **Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die,
Bow your meek head to mortal pain, Then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!**

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Sending (**Matthew 28:18-20, 3 John 1:8; Ephesians 4:15-16; Romans 15:15-16**)

P Here at Union Lutheran Church we are Christ Centered, Mission Driven, Traditionally Grounded and Congregationally Focused.

C **We are fellow workers of the Gospel, Unified in Christ.**

P Union Lutheran Church you are sent.

C **Amen, Amen, Amen!**

Postlude: *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* (Powell)

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2026 Attendance Report

March 22	35	Sunday School
March 22	105	Worship & Holy Communion
March 24	50	6th Tuesday in Lent

Teaching Moment: Lutherans at Worship ~ Glossary of Lutheran Terms

Presiding Minister (*The ordained pastor who presides at the Holy Communion liturgy.*)

Principal Festivals (*Festivals of church year which have precedence over any other observances; principal festivals are Easter, Ascension, Pentecost, Holy Trinity, Christmas, and Epiphany.*)

Procession (*Ceremonial movement of people from one place to another; often includes processional cross and torches, banners, and presiding and assisting ministers.*)

Proper (*The portions of the Holy Communion liturgy which vary from Sunday to Sunday; includes Psalms, lessons, Prayer of the Day, Hymn of the Day, proper verse, proper preface, etc.*)

Lutherans at Worship by S. Anita Stauffer, Gilbert A. Doan, and Michael B. Aune pages 94-95

Those Serving on Palm Sunday, March 29

Guest Organist: Dawn Merrell

Altar Guild: Patsy Lyerly, Angie Poole & Vivian Sprinkle

Acolytes: Bailey Wilhelm & Lucas Wilhelm

Crucifer: Nikki Nguyen

Communion Assistants: Patsy Lyerly, Angie Poole & Vivian Sprinkle

Lay Reader: Brad Trexler

Ushers: Larry Barringer, Ali Davis, Don & Tara Davis

Live Streaming: Pete Nguyen

Sound System: Thad Mulkey, Dusty Morgan, Sr., & Dusty Morgan, Jr.

Offering Counters: Jennifer Curlee, Ali Davis, & Doris Shepherd

Sending Sunday Visitors Cards: Deena Lanning

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Our Love and Sympathy is extended to the Family of Ken Davis upon his death, March 23, 2026.
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Palm Sunday, March 29, 2026

Loose Offering: Special Offering Fund

Benevolence: North American Lutheran Seminary

Monthly Project: Amazon & Walmart gift cards for Melanie Corn, sponsored Seminarian

Deadline: Potted Flower list

Union Lutheran Church is pleased to announce that applications for the **Gerald Bame Memorial Scholarship** are available for pick up from the church office (blue top table). Deadline to the church office: Palm Sunday, March 29

During the Lenten Season, we use twigs and branches instead of flowers to symbolize penitence, spiritual dryness, and preparation for Easter's rebirth, as flowers represent joy and celebration, which are set aside during this somber, reflective season of self-emptying and focus on Christ's sacrifice, mirroring the desert journey. Bare branches signify the spiritual "emptying" of sin, awaiting the new life of Easter, much like dormant plants awaiting spring.

9:10 a.m. Union Youth Choir

9:30 a.m. Children & Youth Sunday School

Triumphant Entry ~ John 12:12-19; Psalm 24:3-10

They took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" (John 12:13)

Palm Sunday, March 29, 2026

9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School

Rabbit Hole Sunday School Class

Triumphant Entry

John 12:12-19; Psalm 24:3-10

Drew Wise Sunday School Class

Waiting for God's Peace

Revelation 5:8-14; Isaiah 2:2-4, 11:6-10; John 18:28-38; Ephesians 4:4-6, 13-19; Acts 17:26-28

All are welcome to pick up palm branches as you enter the Sanctuary!

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 118:19-26; Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 21:1-11

Sermon: *Holy Chaos*

For those who do not wish to keep their palm, please return the palm to the box when leaving.

During Lent, the altar candles lit represent Jesus' life and ministry. Each week we will extinguish candles, remembering how we, the human race, rejected Jesus Christ, the light of the world. On Sunday, March 29, the Altar Candles and only 1 candelabra candle on each side will be lit.

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Wednesday, April 1

2:00 p.m. Autumn Care Chapel Time

6:30 p.m. Catechism (*Pastor's Office*)

6:30 p.m. Belles & Beaus

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Maundy Thursday, April 2 **4:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.** Worship & Holy Communion (*Sanctuary*)
Exodus 24:3-11; Psalm 116:12-19; Hebrews 9:11-22; Matthew 26:17-30

Good Friday, April 3 **4:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.** Worship (*Sanctuary*)
Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22:1-31; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1-19:42

Union Youth Lock-In following evening worship service.

Prayer Vigil following evening worship service

Saturday, April 4

6:00 a.m. Union Youth Lock-In ends

7:30 a.m. Prayer Vigil ends

9:15 a.m. Flowers for inside cross (*Sanctuary*)

10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Potted Flowers drop off (*Sanctuary*)

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Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026

You are invited to bring flowers from your yard for the outside cross.

Loose Offering: Mission Outreach Fund

Benevolence: Lutheran Military Veterans & Families, Inc.

Local VA April Project collections: travel size hygiene products such as deodorant, lotions, toothpaste, shampoo, body wash, (except mouthwash) etc; Men's 32-48 pants that have cargo pockets (no jogging pants); small box of Kleenex; word searches, cross words, etc.; non-perishable snacks

Please place donations on Lectern side.

Deadline: Good Timers & Friends, please kindly RSVP Frank & Dawn Merrell by Easter Sunday so they can plan and prepare the delicious Greek inspired lunch on Thursday, April 9. You can reach them at 704-636-9471 or dfmmusic@bellsouth.net

Altar Flowers (2 flower arrangements): Linda Kesler

7:00 a.m. Union Youth

7:30 a.m. Sunrise Service (*Dutch Meeting Hall*)

Exodus 14:10–15:1; Psalm 118:15–29; 1 Corinthians 15:1–11; John 20:1–18

8:15 a.m. Easter Breakfast (*Dutch Meeting Hall*)

9:00 a.m. Belles & Beaus

9:15 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt & Games

9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

9:30 a.m. Children & Youth Sunday School

Mary Encounters the Risen Jesus

John 20:11-18; Romans 6:1-11

Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord." (John 20:18)

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Rabbit Hole Sunday School Class

Mary Encounters the Risen Jesus

John 20:11-18; Romans 6:1-11

Drew Wise Sunday School Class

Resurrection: The Future Hope

Luke 24:1-12; 1 Corinthians 15:3-20, 50-58; Revelation 22:1-5

10:30 a.m. Easter Service (*Sanctuary*)

Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 16:1-11; Colossians 3:1-4; Matthew 28:1-10

Sermon: *On the Move*

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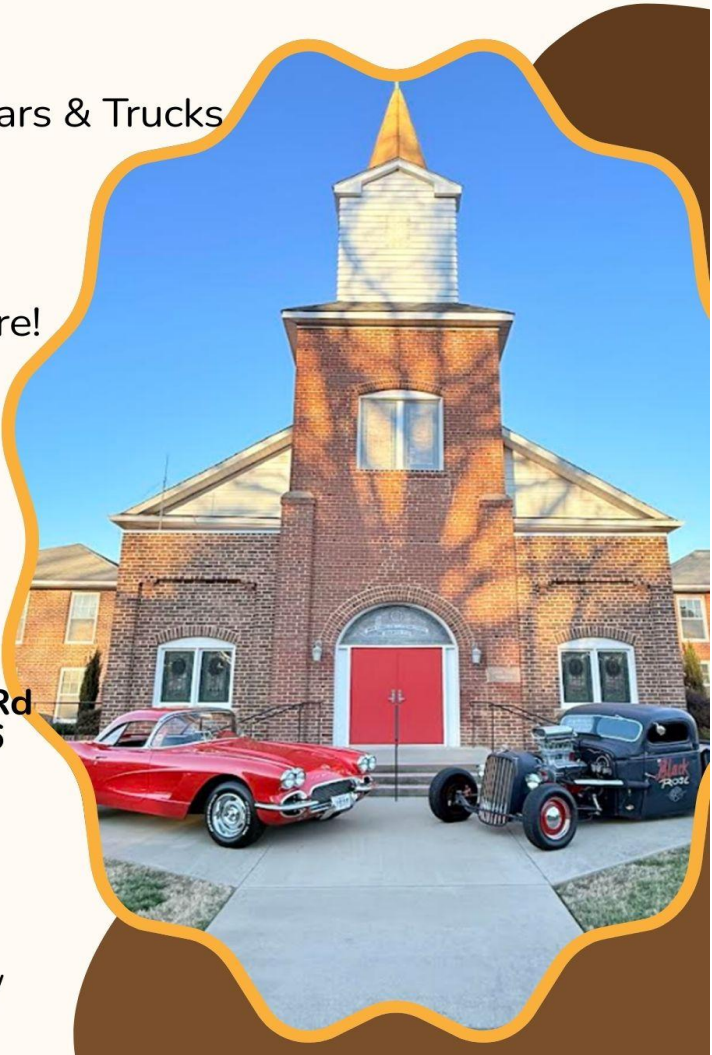
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2:00 PM

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Potted Flowers

You are invited to add to the beauty of our Sanctuary this Easter by placing and dedicating potted flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one. The beautiful flowers will adorn the Sanctuary serving as a living tribute to those who have touched our lives.

Dedications will be listed in the Potted Flowers booklet.

Please drop off to the Sanctuary your signed potted flowers on Saturday, April 4, between 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

You may take your plant(s) home after Easter Sunday, April 5.

Deadline: Palm Sunday, March 29



In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

From _____

How many potted flowers? _____

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

Nursing Homes – Brenda Mahaley (Autumn Care Room 815), Ruth Monroe (Autumn Care Room 818), Jean Ray (Autumn Care Room 201), Sarah Bame (Brookdale Room 9), Pat Kluttz (Brookdale Room 56), Donnell Miller (Bethany Woods, Albemarle), Rachel Earnhardt (The Laurels), Charles Hartley (The Laurels Room 301), Mike Taylor (Trinity Oaks), Ann Tucker (Oak Park Retirement Room 236)

Homebound/Shut-ins Members/Special Needs –Tom Cole, Kiki Deaton, Rachel Earnhardt, Madison “Drew” Harrington, Linda Hartley, Pete Honbarrier, Howell & Teresa Kesler, James & Jean Kluttz, Glenn & Betty Sue Lowder, Harold Miller, Rev. TC & Mary Plexico, Macky Swicegood, Billy Waller & Michael Walton

Sick/Surgery/Recovery – Judy Boyd, Jason Earnhardt, Robin Huffman, Susan Knight, Doris Ludwick, Patsy Lyerly, Richard and Kay Lyons, Raelynn Rodgers, Brad Trexler & Pat Wiles

Continual Prayer – Rita Volker (Pastor Heidi’s aunt), Union Fire Department #76, Global Missions (Congo, SON Ministries, Slovakia & Haiti), Friends & Families of the avalanche victims (friends of Robyn Arey’s son), especially those affected by political unrest & those affected by natural disasters (Jamacia, Haiti, Alaska, North Dakota, Dominican Republic)

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OUR MISSION: Christ Centered - Mission Driven - Traditionally Grounded - Congregationally Focused (**Matthew 28:18-20**)

OUR VISION: Fellow Workers of the Gospel - Unified in Christ. (**3 John 1:8; Ephesians 4:15-16; Romans 15:15-16**)

OUR ACTION PLAN: Responsible management of God’s entrusted resources—time, talent, treasure & mission. (**Genesis 1 & 2**)

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2026 Church Council Members

2024-2026

Phil Cauble
Kevin Huffman
John Knight (*Treasurer*)
Thad Mulkey

2025-2027

Karen Barringer
Pete Nguyen (*President*)
Brad Trexler

2026-2027

Don Davis (*Vice-President*)
Ethan Wilhelm (*Secretary*)

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2026 Council adopted motto: *“As leaders of Union Lutheran Church we will work together as one, reflecting Christ and stay true to the Word, as we share the Word.”*

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Lay Ministers:

Tara Davis, Vicki Hunter, Steve Hutchens, Elbert Kluttz and Deena Lanning

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