

WHAT’S HAPPENING!

Please join us after the service for Hospitality Time in Criswell Hall

This week's activities:

Mon. April 14	6:00 PM	Gerry's Quilting Class, Criswell Hall
Tue April 15	9:00 AM	Senior Exercise, Criswell Hall
	0:00 AM	Sew ‘n’ Sews, McMillen Room 113
	11:00 AM	Chair Yoga, Criswell Hall
	1:00PM	Bible Study, Criswell Hall
	1:30PM	Finance-Library Room 123
Wed. April 16	3:00PM	Joy Circle, Call Office
	5:00PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal – Handbell Room 115
	9:00 AM	Trustees Work Morning, Criswell Hall
	2:00PM	Church Council- McMillen Room 113
	1:30 PM	Mission Team – McMillen Room 113
Thu. April 17	9:00 AM	Senior Exercise, Criswell Hall
	11:00 AM	Chair Yoga, Criswell Hall
	3:30 PM	Children’s Center Board, McMillen Room 113
Sun April 20	6:00 PM	Maundy Thursday/Tenebrae Service, Sanctuary
	8:30 AM	Informal Worship, Sanctuary
	10:30 AM	Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

Upcoming Events:

Thu. April 15	Joy Circle, Kerren Brown’s Home 3PM
Wed. April 17	Maundy Thursday Service 6PM Sanctuary
Thu. April 20	Easter Sunday
Thu. April 25	Book Club Library 10:30AM
Sun. April 27	Children’s Center Art Show
Sun. April 27	Free Movie: Six Triple Eight, Criswell Hall 4PM
Mon. April 28	People’s Kitchen Food Prep, Kitchen 1:30PM
Tue. April 29	People’s Kitchen Food Distribution, 11:00AM
Wed. April 30	Mary, Martha, Esther Circle, McMillen Room 10AM
Sun. May 4	Methodist Men Taco Bar, Criswell Hall 11:30 to 1PM
Thu. May 15	Everett Lee Taylor Scholarship application deadline
Sat. June 21	Scott Trees Garden Tour



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April 13, 2025	10:30 a.m.	
Palm Sunday		
PRELUDE	“I Will Praise Him”	Margaret J. Harris
INTROIT	Hosanna! Hosanna!	TFWS #2109
CALL TO WORSHIP		
With songs of thanksgiving, we sing praise to God. With shouts of hosanna, we welcome the presence of Christ. Come and worship the one who comes in the name of the Lord With prayers of blessing, we call out to the Spirit of God.		
*OPENING HYMN	Hosanna, Loud Hosanna	No. 278
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS		
OPENING PRAYER.		
Blessed Jesus, you humbled yourself as you entered Jerusalem in lowly estate. Teach us the joys of servant ministry and move us to dance and sing our hosannas with the children of Jerusalem. To such belongs the Kingdom of Heaven. Amen		
PALM SUNDAY READING	Mark 11: 1-11	
CHILDREN’S MOMENT		

A TIME OF PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer O How He Loves You and Me TFWS #2108
Prayers of the People
Choral Response O How He Loves You and Me TFWS #2108

CHOIR ANTHEM Let the Veil Down ---Stone/Dudly

SCRIPTURE Philippians 2:5-11

HYMN (*remain seated*) Tell Me the Stories of Jesus No. 277

SERMON POWERFULLY LONELY, YET NEVER ALONE

OFFERING

Call to Stewardship and Mission
Offertory ‘I Stand Amazed in the Presence Charles H. Gabriel
*Doxology/Prayer of Dedication ---John Purifoy

*HYMN All Glory, Laud and Honor No. 280

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE Be Glorified TFWS #2150

POSTLUDE “Yours is the Kingdom” Cindy Berry

** Please stand as able.*

Assisting in today's service: Pastor: Rev. Mary Birgelaitis,
Liturgist: Tim Stewart, Interim Choir Director: Tricia Stewart,
Piano/Keyboard: Dennis Eiler, Organist: Brad Bettencourt

Mark 11: 1-11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!” Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple: and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Philippians 2: 5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**HOSPITALITY: Today hosted by: Staff Parish
April 20 will be hosted by Communications**

ATTENDANCE						
WEEK	8:30	10:30	IN- PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	STEWARDSHIP
Mar16	41	69	110	48	158	\$1,825
Mar 23	31	57	88	31	119	\$2,793
Mar 30	38	57	95	17	112	\$4,270
Apr 06	33	67	100	3	103	\$9,053
Weekly offering needed: \$9,053						Easter Offering: \$346
Budgeted: \$249,240						Easter Budgeted: \$5,500
Fiscal Year to Date: Received \$266,632						