

## CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF APRIL 9

Sunday, April 9 Palm Sunday  
 9:00 am - First Praise Fellowship Hall  
 10:00 am - Church School Classrooms  
 11:00 am - Worship with Palm Procession Sanctuary  
 3:00 pm - Prayer Shawl Group Thelma Vaughan's home  
 4:00 pm - Combined PYF Room 313  
 4:30 pm - ME5K Planning Meeting Library  
 5:30 pm - Catechism Club Room 322  
 5:30 pm - Deacons Meeting Room 300  
 7:00 pm - Committee Meetings Classrooms

Monday, April 10  
 2:00 pm - Circle 1 Parlor  
 5:30 pm - Rooms in Use FH, Rooms 300 & 301  
 6:15 pm - Exaltation Ringers Music Room  
 7:00 pm - Boy Scouts Scout Building  
 7:00 pm - Personnel Committee Library  
 7:15 pm - VBS Planning Meeting Room 222

Tuesday, April 11  
 10:00 am - Circle 4 Chloe Gildberg's home  
 12:00 pm - Circle of Friends #5 Dot Nelson's home  
 6:15 pm - Circle 3 Kim Streb's home  
 6:30 pm - Cub Scouts Scout Building

Wednesday, April 12  
 10:00 pm - MEK Walking Group Parking Lot  
 1:00 pm - Prayer Meeting Library  
 6:15 pm - HS Supper Club off campus  
 7:15 pm - Chancel Choir Music Room

Thursday, April 13  
 6:30 pm - Maundy Thursday Meal & Worship Fellowship Hall

Friday, April 14 Good Friday  
 9:30 am - Annual Crosswalk starts at Central United Methodist  
 1:00 pm - PYF Stuff Easter Eggs Fellowship Hall

Saturday, April 15  
 10:00 am - Easter Egg Hunt Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 16 Easter Sunday  
 9:00 am - First Praise Fellowship Hall  
 10:00 am - Church School Classrooms  
 11:00 am - Worship Sanctuary

## LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

### SESSION

<b>David Rockness, Moderator</b>		<b>Mark Auten, Clerk</b>
<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>	<u>Class of 2019</u>
Phil Heilman	Mark Auten	Bill Brawley
Sparky Hitchcock	Paul Dame	C. P. Chappell
Rog McCrea	Karen Shore	Janice Plier
Dot Nelson	Sue Stevens	Steve Robinson
Trent Newell	Harry Weyer	John Streb

### DIACONATE

<b>Chris Creech, Moderator</b>	<b>Scott Mauney, Associate Moderator</b>
<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>
Chris Creech	Sandy Bickett
Dave Culler	Maria Heilman
Tom Kirkland	Pat King
Jane Peterson	Paul Manning
Susan Poore	Scott Mauney
Amy Williams	Tom Trosuk

### PASTOR

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The Rev. Dr. S. Edwin Lewis      The Rev. Dr. Frederick A. H. Coates

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### ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Head Usher	Ross Culp
Assistant Usher	Paul Manning
Ushers	Brad Chappell, Beverly Chappell
Youth Usher	Grayson Chappell
Greeters	C.P. Chappell, Steve Robinson
Acolyte	Jake Robinson
Bell Ringer	John Robinson
Soundboard	Paul Manning



## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples*  
 April 9, 2017 ♦ 11:00 A.M. ♦ Palm Sunday

Please complete the Friendship Pad and pass it down your pew for all to sign.

\*Please stand as you are able.

Please turn off your cell phones or place them on "vibrate."

Words printed in **bold** are said by the congregation.

PRELUDE: *A Palm Sunday Festival*      Lawrence Schreiber  
 Greg Thompson, organist

WELCOME      Dave Rockness

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 118      Jason Sentas  
 Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.  
**We bless you from the house of the LORD.**  
 The LORD is God, and he has given us light.  
**Bind the festal procession with branches,**  
**up to the horns of the altar.**  
 You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God,  
 I will extol you.  
**O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,**  
**for his steadfast love endures forever.**

INVOCATION  
 Heavenly Father, as we wave the palm branches this morning, may we do so as a reminder of fulfilled prophecy. As we wave the palm branches this morning, may we humbly proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. And as we wave the palm branches this morning, may we commit ourselves to being ambassadors for Jesus in a way that extends throughout the week beyond the walls of this place of worship. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 267: *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *The Apostles' Creed*  
**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;  
 who was conceived by the Holy Ghost;  
 born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate;  
 was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell;  
 the third day he rose again from the dead;  
 he ascended into heaven,  
 and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
 I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
 the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
 the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Jodi Rockness

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

ANTHEM: *All Glory, Laud and Honor* arr. Kevin McChesney  
 Exaltation Ringers

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Phil Heilman

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Zechariah 9:9-10 pg. 773

PASTORAL PRAYER, SILENT CONFESSION, AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
 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 AND OFFERTORY: *Ride On, King Jesus* arr. Howard Helvey  
 Chancel Choir

Ride on King Jesus, no man can a hinder me. He is King of kings, He is  
 Lord of Lords, Jesus Christ, the First and Last; no man a works like  
 him. King Jesus rides a milk white horse; no man a works like Him.  
 The river of Jordan He did cross; no man a works like Him. King Jesus  
 rides in the middle of the air... He calls the saints from everywhere; no  
 man a works like Him. Ride on King Jesus, no man can a hinder me.  
 Ride on!

\*THE DOXOLOGY 34: *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*  
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures  
 here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son,  
 and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SERMON SCRIPTURE READING: John 12:12-19 pg. 875

SERMON: *Hosanna to the King!* Dave Rockness

\*HYMN 544: *The Church’s One Foundation* (vv. 1-4)

\*INVITATION

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE 544: *The Church’s One Foundation* (v. 5)  
**Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,  
 and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won;  
 O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,  
 Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.**

\*POSTLUDE: *Jesus Christus, Unser Heiland* Dietrich Buxtehude

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**If you are our guest today, welcome!** We’re so glad you’re here. For more information on FPC, please indicate your interest on the Friendship Pad. **You can become a FPC member** by your profession or reaffirmation of faith or transfer of membership. Please speak with our pastor following the service for information. **Large print bulletins** are available from the ushers. **Assisted listening devices** are available from the sound console at the back of the sanctuary. **Childcare is provided for infants through kindergarten age** during both worship services. Childcare is located on the second floor of the educational building. **First graders and older children remain in the sanctuary** following the *Time With The Children*. Worship bags are available at the rear of the sanctuary for all children.

**The flowers in the sanctuary** today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Byron Crowley on the 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his birth by his family.

**Vacation Bible School Planning Committee:** The VBS Planning Committee will meet this Monday, April 10 at 7:15 p.m. in Room 222.

**Easter Egg Hunt:** Everyone is invited to the annual Easter Egg Hunt this Saturday, April 15 at 10:00 a.m. Held rain or shine, the event will begin in the fellowship hall with refreshments and an Easter story. Children are encouraged to bring a basket for gathering eggs, as well as a fresh flower to add to the Flower Cross as a tangible reminder to the children of Christ’s victory over death. Donations of individually wrapped candy are welcome and appreciated. Please leave candy in the basket in the church office before April 14.

**PYF Help with Egg Hunt:** PYF members are invited to an “egg-stuffing party” this Friday, April 14 at 1:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. PYF is encouraged to help with hiding the eggs on Saturday, April 15 at 9:30 a.m.

### Special Holy Week Services and Activities Planned

#### Today, Palm Sunday, April 9

**Palm Procession:** All children are encouraged to participate in the Palm Procession this morning. Children should meet in the parlor immediately prior to the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

#### Maundy Thursday, April 13

Everyone is encouraged to attend the Maundy Thursday dinner this Thursday, April 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall, followed by a worship service and communion. This year’s dinner, while not the traditional Seder meal, will feature food symbolic of a meal that might have been served for Passover. Cost of dinner is \$4 for adults, \$2 for children, with a \$15 maximum per family; no charge for children under 4. Childcare will be provided during the worship service.

#### Good Friday, April 14

On Good Friday, April 14, the third annual Cross Walk will make its way through downtown Mooresville. This special event will begin with a brief service at 9:30 a.m. at Central United Methodist Church, where the first of six Stations of the Cross will be read along with special music performed. The final Station at Fair View United Methodist Church will be treated to lunch. Participants are encouraged to park at Southside Baptist Church and ride a shuttle bus to Central UMC. Those riding the shuttle bus should arrive at Southside before 9:00 a.m.

#### Easter Sunday, April 16

Two services will be offered on Easter Sunday morning. First Praise will be held in the fellowship hall at 9:00 a.m. and the traditional service will be held in the sanctuary beginning at 11:00 a.m. Come and worship our risen Savior.

**Lake Norman Sunrise Service:** Many local churches will be coming together to worship the risen Christ at sunrise on Easter morning. The service will be held Sunday, April 16 at 6:45 a.m. at Bellingham Park in Mooresville. Please bring a lawn chair for yourself.

**The Worship and Music Committee** is currently investigating the possibilities of an upgrade to the Assisted Listening System in the sanctuary. American Hearing Loop from Greenville SC will be here to conduct a demonstration of one method on Thursday, April 20 at 2:00 pm in the sanctuary. The demo will last about 1 hour. If you wear hearing aids, you can assist us in determining if a loop system is beneficial. Check with your hearing care provider to see if you have “T Coils”, most do, then make sure they are “activated.” The folks from American Hearing Loop will also assist with that on site that Thursday. Cochlear Implants need only to be accessed by a button or remote controller. Please come and help us decide which direction to head as we search for ways to enhance the worship experience for all.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Please contact the church if you, a family member, or a friend faces illness, hospitalization, bereavement, or some other concern. Please do not assume the church office knows. If the concern is confidential, please let us know and we will honor your wish for privacy. Names in **bold** indicate new concerns.

### Members in Hospitals, Care Facilities, or Homebound

Willie Allison	Margaret Carrigan	Mary Fortanbary
Joan Gibson	Lois Kirk	Ellen McGuirt
Mary Matheson	Lecie Miller	Estelle Mott
Margaret Sanders	John & Nancy Smith	Claude Voils
John Westmoreland	Opal Westmoreland	

### Members of the Church

Ray & Billie Brawley	Rosie Crouch	Bedo & Pat Culberson
Al Culp	P. J. Decastro	Briana Landis
Shirley Morrow	Betty Pearce	Pete Peterson
Terry Skeen	Joyce Sloop	

### Friends of the Church

John & Connie Ammons	Amos Family	Norm Askin
Ed Barber	Elsie Benfield	Mike Blizzard
Donna Buyer	Scott Campbell	Genie Carns
Richard Diedrich	Libby Ebert	Bill & Barbara Gepford
Margaret Heilman	Justin Henson	Jayden Hoppel
Gordan Jenkins	Ron Lane	Brian Leon
Tom McAdams	George McClure	Thomas McMillan, Sr.
Anne Moore	Christine Morgan	Louis Newton
Judy Nickliss	Bonnie Redding	Patt Seyller
Samuel Russell	Glenn Scott	Jane Scovil
Isaac Sobek	Robin Springer	Tina Swanson
Jennifer Torsiello	Linda Wilson	Dwight Windsor
Donella Wright	Daniela	Douglas

### Armed Forces

LTC David Dennison, Army	LT James B. Eilers, USN
Sgt. Adam R. Loftin, USMC	LSSN Dylan McIntyre, USN
Maj. William Matheny, Army	Capt. Ben Peacock, USAF