



First United Methodist Church
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Online at 8:30 April 5, 2020
Rev. Dr. Kerrin Kirkpatrick
and
Rev. Nikki Ross Bishop

THE GATHERING
OPENING VOLUNTARIES---PRELUDE

“Andante”
“Improvisation for Palm Sunday”
“Hosanna!”

P. I. Tschaikowsky
Alexandre Guilmant
Theodore Dubois

GREETING, SHARING NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE
Explanation of the Love Feast
PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Matthew 21:1-9)

Jesus sent two disciples into the village to find a donkey and her colt. Jesus instructed them to bring the two animals to Him.

This was to fulfill what the prophet Zechariah said: “Look, your king is coming to you, humble, mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

The disciples put their cloaks on the animals, and Jesus sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

The crowd that went ahead of Jesus and that followed were shouting: Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!”

PROCESSION OF THE PALMS

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

OPENING PRAYER (from the UM Book of Worship)

Almighty God, on this day Your Son Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem and was proclaimed King by those who spread their garments and palm branches along His way. Let those branches be for us signs of His victory, and grant that we who bear them in His name may ever hail Him as our Lord, and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life. In His name we pray. Amen.

A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

Nicole Smith

SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS
PASTORAL PRAYER
THE LORD’S PRAYER (spoken)

**FIRST SCRIPTURE
CELEBRATION OF THE LOVE FEAST**

Matthew 26:20-25

Sharing Song "There is Room at the Table" Carrie Newcomb
(*Sing and Dance along!*)

**Introduction to the Love Feast
Centering Prayer**

Reflections on our Lenten Journey

"Come to the Table" Sidewalk Prophets

What is one insight, from your reflections, that you are bringing to the table this Palm Sunday? How does that help you find meaning in your current reality? What will you do differently?

Table Grace "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"
Prayer

Passing the Bread Special Music: Myrna Cakerice
"I Am the Bread of Life". Arr: Paul A. Tate

SCRIPTURE: Matthew's Passion Story (selected verses)
Pastor Kerrin & Pastor Nikki

HYMN OF RESPONSE "What Wondrous Love is This"

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY "The Palms" Jean-Baptiste Faure

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

No. 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Blessed are You, God, and blessed is the One who comes in Your name! As the crowds laid offerings of cloaks and palm branches before the Lord many years ago, so we lay our gifts before You today. Receive our tithes and offerings. Guide their use for Your Kingdom purposes. Accept also our gift of our whole selves as a living sacrifice, set aside to serve You in gratitude for all You have given for us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

HYMN

"Were You There"

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Ride On! Ride On in Majesty" Arr: Gilbert M. Martin

LEAVING FOR SERVICE



Audio/Video/Streaming

Marty Sankey

Mike Evans

Kim Heidemann has a google classroom set up for youth. Yes, the program is designed for youth but anyone can do it. They can become a member of the online class by one of two ways. They can email me their email address and I will send them an invite to join - kim@fumcames.org OR They go to Google Classroom and sign up with code: 4fudj33

Children and families are invited to take part in a live Zoom Sunday school beginning at 9:45a.m. We will also have times to get together during the week through Zoom for Move It Mondays, What's Up Wednesdays, and Try Day Fridays all at 11:00a.m. If you need the link, please email Nicole at nicole@fumcames.org

Adult Sunday School Continues On

Please join Coffee Talk every Sunday at 10:30am as we continue to connect with one another and study God's Word.

April 5- We will connect with one another and discuss Pastor Kerrin's sermon

April 12- Easter, no Sunday School

April 19-May 17- Maker Discipleship Series, Patrick Annotti

- Discipleship is at the very heart of the ministry of Jesus. It should be at the heart of the life of the Christian as well! This 5-week series has been designed for those that are wanting to fulfill God's plan for their lives of being Disciples of Jesus, and making Disciples of Jesus.
- We will attempt to show the short video through Zoom, but we can't count on that working. We encourage you to go to [RightNow media](#) and watch the video prior to the start of Coffee Talk. If you need access to RightNow media, please email Nicole at nicole@fumcames.org

Zoom Information:

If you need help connecting to Zoom, please contact the Copley's at 515-291-4380.

To view church services live, go to <http://bit.ly/amesfirstumclivestream>. To view past services and other church events, go to Ames First United Methodist Church's YouTube page at <http://bit.ly/amesfirstumcyoutube>.

AFFIRMATION OF WELCOME

As a community of the people of God, we are called to minister to ALL people of the world, knowing that the world is often an unloving place, a place of alienation and brokenness. Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness, and we are challenged by the Gospel to be agents of healing within our society.

We stand in affirmation with the Apostle Paul that “in Christ there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female.” ALL are ONE IN CHRIST. We at Ames First UMC acknowledge that this reconciliation encompasses ALL within the community of faith who exhibit differences in race, gender, and ethnicity, as well as age, culture, physical ability, educational level, economic status, personality, marital status, and sexual orientation.

In response to the often hostile social climate with respect to diversity within our society and the resulting feelings of alienation from the Church, we wish to make known our caring and concern. It is for this purpose that we affirm the following:

ALL persons share the worth that comes from being unique individuals created by God;

ALL persons are welcome within the membership of this congregation upon making an affirmation of faith; and,

ALL persons are encouraged and expected to share in the sacramental and general life of this congregation as members of this church.

Just a reminder....

Please take a moment to complete this short survey so we can begin to identify needs and strategies to help satisfy them. This form will stay up and will be accessible at any time. If you don't feel like filling it out today, or if your situation changes you can always come back to it.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScOa0uY0TdcJA2nrx_d3EE-VtFk2uCaNz4HWnFr6Aku2Sa7ZA/viewform