

Order of Worship

6th Sunday in Lent—Palm Sunday April 14, 2019 10:45 AM

Bethel United Methodist Church seeks to be a church that fulfills the spiritual needs of the

Taking a Breather

As we gather together, we will use the first part of our service to slow down, to settle our souls so that we might reconnect with an "unhurried God."

community, shows God's love to all, and serves God in all it does.

Fanfare

The Chiming Hour While the chimes play, pray.

Lighting of the Candles Welcome God into our midst.

Prayer of Meditation – Thank you for blessing us to eat, drink and be merry!

Prelude

Announcements

Scout Presentation Jack Hughes, Eagle Scout Project

Blessing of the Palms

***Opening Hymn** UMH #176 "Majesty, Worship His Majesty"

*Greeting

Voice 1: Did you hear? Jesus is in town!

Voice 2: What?! How did I not get that memo?

Voice 3: I hear there's gonna be a parade.

Voice 2: *[scrolling through the phone calendar]* Yeah, not sure that's gonna work this morning. Where is it?

Voice 1: All the way out by the city gate.

Voice 3: Oh, my... hmm... it's just so hard to get everything in these days but I know it will be quite the event.

Voice 2: Well, he'll probably be back through here soon... maybe next time!

*Opening Prayer

L: Let us pray a "prayer for clearing out..."

God of Change, we are too busy sometimes to show up for what's important...

C: Let us *make* room for You.

L: Your parade of abundant life is happening and we can't clear our schedules.

C: Let us *find* room for You.

L: Help us clear out the way we live and the god's we adore that are not You.

C: Let us *be* room for You.

***(Raise your palms high as you say "Hosanna")**

In the name of Jesus,

who got on a donkey and rode into Jerusalem to proclaim justice for the outcast;

In the name of Jesus,

who looked upon the people waving branches and laying their cloaks before him and vowed to love them no matter the consequences;

In the name of Jesus,

who invites us to join the parade and celebrate life!

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Let the people say, "Amen."

Amen.

Hymn "Come, Now is the Time to Worship"

Prayer for Illumination Gracious God, give us humble, teachable, and obedient hearts, that we may receive what you have revealed, and do what you have commanded. **Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson Exodus 20:8 (OT, page 64 in the pew bible)

Choir Anthem "Glory to the King of Kings" (music by Gilbert Martin)

Children's Message

Pastor Hines

Hymn FWS #2233 "Where Children Belong"

Message

"Sliding into Sabbath Mode"

Pastor Hines

Invitation to Christian Discipleship UMH #292 *"What Wondrous Love is This?"* (verses 1, 2)
Sharing, Joys, Concerns, and Seeking "Time Out"

The Lord's Prayer (*sung responsively*)

***Passing the Peace** (Ushers, please come forward as people are seated.)

Offertory *"Blessed is He Who Comes in the Name of the Lord"* by Paul Wilbur (video)

Offering *"A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed."*
(Proverbs 11:25)

***Doxology:** **"For time to savor God's good gifts. For space to breathe and hearts to lift. For ways to reach out and to give. We offer thanks and vow to live."** (sung to the tune of UMH #95 *"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"*)

***Prayer of Dedication**

Taking It Out

The final movement of our service is a time of committing to take a bit of this serenity and peace out into the busy world. We are reminded to "keep the main thing, the main thing."

***Closing Hymn** UMH #172 *"My Jesus, I Love Thee"* (verses 1, 2)

***Benediction** (*please see bulletin insert*)

***Postlude**

***Indicates stand if able**

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SERVING THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

Greeter: Suzanne Collins

Liturgist: Ron Moore

Nursery (Birth-2 yr.): Bachrach/Wynn/Vanderwerf

Pre-School (3-4 yr.): Open

Computer Operators: Haring/Desimone/Raab/Spiece/Murray/Bates/Hanlon/Corbett

Tellers: Terrie McKinley & Michelle Vondercrone

Ushers: Joan Spiece, Sandy Davies, Corey Murray, & Peggy Linderman

Flowers: Trish and Dale Richards

Coffee Hour: Special coffee hour in honor of Allen Collins' 91st Birthday. Gluten-free items are available.

SERVING NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP

Greeters: The Steele Family

Liturgist: Denise Barton

Nursery (Birth-2 yr.): Bachrach/Wynn/Vanderwerf

Pre-School (3-4 yr.): Open

Computer Operators: Haring/Desimone/Raab/Spiece/Murray/Bates/Hanlon/Corbett

Tellers: Terry Allen & Joyce Shutt

Ushers: Dot Shantz, Jean Domin, Kim Bradbury, & Anne Hoffman

Flowers: The Keller Family, in memory of Philip Bachman.

Coffee Hour: Congregation. Gluten-free items are available.



Welcome to Bethel United Methodist Church

"Growing in Christ together, sharing God's love with everyone."



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