

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

**Sunday, April 6**  
**Lord’s Supper will be observed at both Worship Services**  
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages  
12:15 p.m. - Men’s Council fundraiser - Chili Luncheon



**Monday, April 7**  
7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringer Rehearsal  
**Tuesday, April 8**  
7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee Meeting in Crossroads  
7:30 p.m. - Worship Committee Meeting in Enquiry Classroom  
**Wednesday, April 9**  
5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner (last WNL for the season)  
6:30 p.m. - WNL Lenten Study led by Rev. Doughton  
6:30 p.m. - Youth Sunday Practice, Sanctuary  
7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**Saturday, April 12**  
T/B/D - Easter Egg Hunt in the Dark - Wilbanks Hall

**Sunday, April 13 Palm Sunday**  
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

**Monday, April 14**  
7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringer Rehearsal  
**Tuesday, April 15**  
7:15 p.m. - Joint Officers Meeting in the side room of Wilbanks Hall

**Thursday, April 17 Maundy Thursday**  
7:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Service in Wilbanks Hall

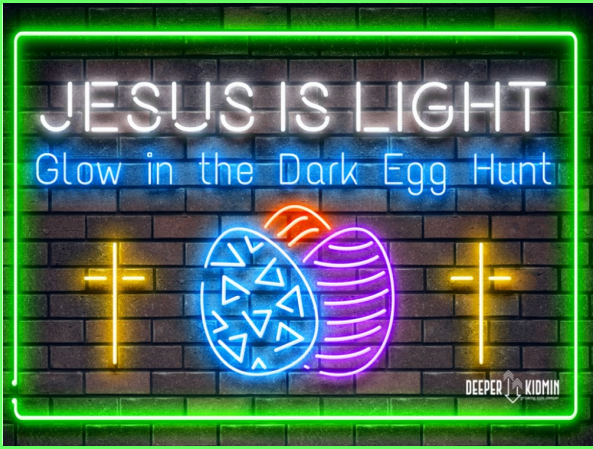
**Friday, April 18 Good Friday**  
7:00 p.m. - Good Friday Service in the Sanctuary

**Sunday, April 20 Easter**  
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

**Tuesday, April 22**  
6:30 p.m. - Presbyterian Women Spring Birthday Celebration  
All Women are invited (Dinner will be provided)

**Saturday, April 26**  
7:00 a.m. - Set up Garage Sale  
8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - Garage Sale  
3:00 p.m. - Clean up Garage Sale

**Sunday, April 27**  
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages




**Egg Hunt in the Dark**

We need your help! We are doing it a bit different this year. We are Hunting Eggs in the dark!

We are asking for candy filled eggs and glow sticks. *(These are dollar store items).*

Please help us shine our light for Jesus!

# HOLY WEEK



**Holy Week Schedule**  
**April 13:** Palm Sunday 8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
**April 17:** Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m.  
**April 18:** Good Friday 7:00 p.m.  
**April 20:** Easter 8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.




The Presbyterian Women, along with the Ladies Who Love the Lord, will be collecting **Diapers and Wipes** as our next mission. If you would like to donate to our mission, you may place your items in the basket in the front hall. Many people need assistance at this time of year. Through our efforts we can make a difference in someone’s life. Thank you for your involvement with our community projects.

~ Susan Farmer,  
Moderator

**Deadline is Friday, April 18**





**THE CHALLENGE**

The 100 Can Challenge continues as we collect can goods and other non-perishable items. The donated items will be given to Sharing Life, as they feed those in need in our community. Our total items collected for March was **167 items**. Thank you to all who contributed!

**THOSE WHO SERVE**

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor  
Ryoji Shimpō, Director of Music Ministries/Organist & Pianist  
Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant  
Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus

GUIDE TO WORSHIP

April 6, 2025

8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

About the Cover Picture

Today we return to The Biltmore House. We see pictures of the gym, the pool, and the bowling alley. Our theme today is "Overcome". To succeed in an athletic event the participant needs to overcome a challenge. In following Christ, we are called to overcome in the strength of Jesus.



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE Be Thou My Vision arr. Lloyd Larson

INTROIT 709 God, We Honor You James E Clemens

God, we honor You. God, we trust in You.  
God, we worship and adore You.  
Take what we bring, offered to You.  
Teach us to show Your abundant blessings.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP Philippians 1:2; \*(Adapted from Joel 12:12-14)

Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And also to you.

“Even now,” declares the Lord, “return to Me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning. Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the Lord Your God, for the Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love.” Come, let us worship the Lord.

\*HYMN 450 Be Thou My Vision

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty, Gracious, and Loving God; we have fallen short time and time again. You have given us Your Word, You have promised us Your presence, and You have graced us with Your kingdom, both in teaching and in service. Even so, we neglect, ignore, and reject Your purposes for us. We do not love what You love. We do not embrace what You embrace. We do not defend what You have called us to defend. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Forgive us for what we do and what we fail to do. And with Your gifts, promises, and grace, continue working in our lives that we may live fully for Jesus Christ, now and forevermore. Amen.

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*RESPONSE (Hymn 581)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. A—men. A—men.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

ANTHEM Peace Like a River, Kum Ba Yah

Chancel Choir arr. Jean Anne Shafferman

Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah.  
Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah.  
Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah.  
O Lord, kum ba yah.

I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in my soul. (x2)

Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah.  
I've got love like an ocean.

I've got peace like a river, kum ba yah, Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

God of all Wisdom and Glory, open us to the work of the Holy Spirit that we may hear Your Word with understanding, grace, and wisdom in this Season of Lent in Jesus name, Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # John 12:12-13

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord— the King of Israel!"

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # John 16:33

I have said this to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you face persecution. But take courage; I have conquered the world!"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES (11:00)

The Children and Youth are asked to come forward at this time.

\*HYMN 692 Spirit, Open My Heart

SERMON Overcome Rev. Doughton

\*HYMN 702 Christ Be Beside Me

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Morning Has Broken arr. John Turner

Pianist, Ryoji Shimpō

\*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

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 †

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and The 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.

Words of Institution

Reception of the Sacrament

Prayer after Communion

\*HYMN 800 Sometimes a Light Surprises

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE 227 (sung twice) Jesus, Remember Me

Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.  
Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.

POSTLUDE Kum Ba Yah, My Shepherd arr. Sharon Elery Rogers

Following the Response we will have our Postlude. Please be seated.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Roger Foltz (8:45); Sheryl Miller (11:00)

Deacon/Ushers † - Rod Graham, Dallas Ward, Michael Lee, and Robbie Lee (8:45)

Rod Graham, Dallas Ward, Mary Claire Doughton, and Zoe Futrell (11:00)

SPRING CHURCH GARAGE SALE  
IT’S SPRING CLEANING TIME!!  
OUR GARAGE SALE IS  
SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2025  
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM

You’ve got stuff ... more than you need ... or have room for. So, clean out those closets and we’ll help you get rid of that excess stuff. Remember, your stuff could become someone’s treasure at the garage sale ... did we mention April 26?

Mark your calendar and plan to be here and help us.  
THIS IS HOW WE FINANCE SOME OF OUR BENEVOLENCES.

We need volunteers to help prepare for the sale on Thursday and Friday, April 24 & 25.

We need you! Help set-up beginning at 7 am on Saturday, help during the sale, and help to clean-up at 3 pm.

SIGN-UP SHEET IS IN THE  
WELCOME CENTER!

Thank you,  
Gracy Thomas  
& Brenda Greer

