



Holy Vessels

A Lenten Season of Recovery



“Holy, Wholly”



March 28, 2021, 9:30 am
In-Person & Live Streamed on YouTube and Facebook
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GATHER

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Joe Payne

ENTRANCE Matthew 21:1-10

Joe & Linda Payne
And Congregation

Hosanna to the Son of David!

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Blessed is the one who comes

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in the name of the Lord!

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Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

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When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil,
asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying,

"This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

ENTRANCE SONG "Pave the Way with Branches"

1. Jesus is coming.

Pave the way with branches.

Jesus is coming. Hosannah.

(4 times)

Refrain: Hosannah. Jesus is coming.

Hosannah to the Prince of Peace.

(2 times)

Release for the captives

Pave the way with branches.

Release for the captives. Hosannah.

(2 Times)

Refrain:

Hope for the downtrod

Pave the way with branches

Hope for the downtrod. Hosannah.

(2 Times)

Refrain

INTRODUCTION TO WORSHIP

Joe and Linda

"The Healing Power of Forgiveness"

Singing

**Vessels, holy and whole
Broken, needing the One
Open, body and soul
Healer, come.**

APPROACH

OPENING PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor Joe

We have approached confession each week in Lent in such a way that we lay bare our brokenness in order to begin the process of healing....

....Help us to believe in our ability to change and heal as you believe in us.

**Help us, Healer.
Show us our strength.
Forgive our inertia.
Move us to move
one step at a time toward greater care.**

Silence

ASSURANCE

Singing

**Vessels, holy and whole
Broken, needing the One
Open, body and soul
Healer, come.**

PEACE The Peace of Christ is with you. **And also with you.**

BELIEVE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Peggy Smith

MUSICAL PROCLAMATION "Written In Red"

Penny Dole

AN ANCIENT WORD - SCRIPTURE Matthew 9:1-8

Linda

SERMON

"Holy, Wholly"

Pastor Joe

ASK

SONG

"Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole"

**In your love, make us whole.
May we rest in your compassion.
Calm the lost, weary soul
in the warmth of your love.
May your peace fill our hearts.
May we know the love of Jesus.
By your grace, you console.
Make us holy, make us whole.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/ THE LORD'S PRAYER

Singing—**In your love, make us whole....**

OFFERING MOMENT

RESPOND

CLOSING HYMN

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

UMH 452

BLESSING

Singing—**Vessels, holy and whole...**

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Requests from Last Week:

Marta Hollinger's daughter, Gina: reconstructive surgery on April 8th. due to Breast cancer

Cheryl Creach's sister-in-law, Linda Creach, in Hospice.

Debbie Flannery's granddaughter, Anna: taken to the ER; kidney stone and infection.

Prayers for Brenda as she has a procedure tomorrow.

Phyllis Tunning who is still in pain.

Marta Hollinger's life-long friend, Lois Boden: healing and to relief from decades of severe pain.

Requests from previous weeks (*listed in the order received, and kept for four weeks unless requested to remain on our "Continuing Prayers" list.*)

Taylor Bradley, Kym's friend 2/28	Dale Shreve (L3 vertebrae fracture 3/7
Mother of friend, Mike 2/28	Willa Ramsey's school friend 3/7
Gary, friend of Virginia Shaw's daughter 2/28	Beverly, Mike Jones' fiancé 3/7
Pam Hard 2/28	Jim Jones's grandson, Steven's wife for new job 3/7
Glenn Campbell, Linda	Jenni's sister-in-law, Kelly 3/14
Prohaska's brother 3/7	Jane Payne, Pastor Joe's sister- in-law
Betty Roark 3/7	Cheryl Creach's sister-in-law, Linda 3/14
Gracie, (2 yrs.) Freida's Hawkins family 3/7	Brenda Smoot 3/14
Bill Hansbauer 3/7 (Friend of Jeff Gering)	
Sharon Hamp 3/7	

Continuing Prayers

*(Help us keep this list current. Email or call the church office .)
(b.smoot@fairfieldstmarks.com / 844-1818) with any updates.)*

All service Men & Women	Prayer & Bible Study Groups	Byron Jones Merianne Cardas
Our Country	Jean Stivers	Dick Brewer
First Responders	Mitch Thomas	All shut-ins and
United Methodist Church	Lori Palmieri (Pat Coyle's daughter)	Homebound Diana Griffith Gina Hollinger

St. Mark's Homebound / Shut-ins

Phyllis Tunning - Triplecreek	Sandy Ronningen -Chesterwood
Virginia Shaw	Eleanor McCollum
Dale Shreve - Birchwood, 201	Paul Schutte
Bob Netherland in Hospice Care	Greg Pullem
	Sue Webster

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY WEEK

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 1st: A 40-minute Maundy Thursday service premier online only at 7 pm. or anytime after (No in-person worship)

The service, entitled *The Living Last Supper* is a combination of 12 stories from the apostles reflecting on their time with Jesus. The service will include special music Holy Communion (have your bread and juice ready to receive at home).

GOOD FRIDAY: Chris and Sue will join Hannah Hensler, Mark Hensler, and Rick Kiefer in offering a service of word and song for the observance of the Passion of Christ. Look for this service on St. Mark's Facebook Page on Good Friday.

EASTER EGG HUNT: Saturday, April 3rd at 1 pm.
We have 100s and 100s of eggs! Bring your children and grandchildren.

EASTER MORNING WORSHIP AT 9:30. In-person and livestreamed. Please respond to the attendance survey sent by email, or call the church office. Reservations are not required, but this will help us in our planning. Thank you!

CRAFT SALE IN NARTHEX: Please look at the items that the Monday Craft ladies made. Proceeds: parking lot Lighting.

PRAYER PARTNERS!: This ministry pairs an adult with one of our children, youth or young adults to be partners in prayers. When you pray for someone, you begin to care for someone and we want our kids and young people to know that their church family cares for them! Interested adults may contact Peggy at p.smith@fairfieldstmarks.com or Julie Mislansky at knauffj@icloud.com.

Indicate your preference, if you have one, for a child, youth, or young adult (post high school years). Our goal is to have everyone in the church participate! We could all use some extra prayer, right?!

UMCOR SUNDAY: Our total offering for UMCOR Sunday was \$1,425! Your generous gifts will help people around the world who are facing tragedy & disasters. THANKS!

APRIL MISSION PROJECT: St. Mark's Cares has chosen our next mission project! We will be collecting hygiene kits for the students who are progressing through the program at Butler County Juvenile Justice Center. Because of the pandemic, families are not permitted at this time to mail these items to their youth, so BCJJC has asked the community to help with this need. All items should be placed in a large Ziploc bag, only the items asked for should be in the bag, and please make sure the items are alcohol free.

Deadline for the bags will be Sunday, April 15th and there will be a collection bin in the Narthex and the Fellowship Hall.

Any questions? Contact Julie at knauffjj@icloud.com or 505-4061.

Bags should contain:

Toothbrush (non-battery operated)	Shampoo
Toothpaste (no alcohol)	Conditioner
Mouthwash (no alcohol)	Hair gel
Stick of deodorant (non-aerosol)	Comb
Bar of soap or bottle of body wash	Brush

SPRING HAS SPRUNG AND FLAMINGOS ARE FLOCKING!

Yes, the flamingos are back! Would you like to "flock someone's yard"? Or, would you like to buy flamingo insurance to protect your lawn from the flock? The cost to flock a yard (and you can flock as many yards as you want!) will be \$10 per yard and insurance will be \$15. The youth will be making this happen during the **month of April**. Contact Julie at knauffjj@icloud.com or 505-4061 or talk to one of the youth, if you want to be involved in the fun! There will also be request forms, at the Welcome center, in the Narthex. This fundraiser will be for future youth projects and mission.

FAITHFUL and INCLUSIVE:

New Classes begin -

Thursdays 6:30, April 8, 15, 29, May 6, 13, 20

So far, 31 persons have or are taking this class. Great participation! We need at least eight per class, so please sign up. I don't want to cancel. One aim of this class:

- To consider how United Methodist Christians committed to upholding biblical authority take a non-literal, yet serious, approach to their study of the Bible.

We will meet via Zoom. You will receive a Zoom invite after you sign up and closer to the meeting date. There is no cost. Call 844-1818 to reserve your place, or sign up on St. Mark's Facebook Page Events.

St. Mark's United Methodist Church

Our Mission: is to make Disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.

STAFF

Pastor	Joe Payne
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Director of Children & Family Ministries	Peggy Smith
Director of Youth Ministries	Julie Mislansky
Pastor Emeritus	Bob Klingel

OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Liturgist	Linda Payne
Sound	Rick Kiefer
Camera	Mark Hensler
Screen	Jennie Marshall

ALTAR FLOWERS ...

... In honor of Bob Klingel's April 1st birthday,
from Holly & Pat Fassnacht.

... In memory of Lou Fassnacht's April 1st birthday,
from Holly & Pat.

... In honor of the 14th great granddaughter of
Dick & Edith Davis.

... In memory of my Dad's (Bob Grammel) birthday,
from Tari Randall.

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