

March 25, 2018



Community United Methodist Church

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This Week at a Glance

Sunday, March 25, 2018

10:00 a.m. Worship: Palm Sunday
11:00 a.m. Fellowship – Social Hall

Monday, March 26, 2018

5:30 p.m. Community Dinner

Tuesday, March 27, 2018

5:30 p.m. HeightsNext Potluck Dinner

Wednesday, March 28, 2018

9:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 29, 2018

Maundy Thursday
5:30 p.m. NO Bell Choir Practice

Friday, March 30, 2018

Good Friday
10:00 a.m. Chair Yoga
12:00 p.m. Ecumenical Service at St. Matthew
4101 Washington Street N.E.
7:00 p.m. Worship Service at Community UMC

Sunday, April 1, 2018

Easter Sunday
8:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast
10:00 a.m. Easter Worship
11:00 a.m. NO Fellowship time after service

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March 25, 2018 – 10:00 a.m.

A time of quiet reflection is appreciated as we gather for worship. During this time, you may wish to use one of the prayer slips at the end of each pew to request a prayer to be lifted up during the service.

Prelude

“Lift Up Your Heads”

-Alexandre Guilmant

Pronouncement of Palm Sunday

*** Hymn**

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Red Hymnal #278

*** Gathering Words (excerpts from Psalm 118)**

O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good. We welcome you to our worship this morning. We joyfully celebrate Jesus’ triumphant entry into the Holy City!

God, your steadfast love endures forever!

Open the gates of righteousness that we may enter through them and give thanks to God! Righteousness describes our ability to do and live what is right on our faithful path.

God, we thank you that you have answered us, and that our salvation is through your love!

Our God knows the stone that the builders rejected is our cornerstone of faith.

This is the day our God has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it! God has given us light, may our steadfast love endure forever and be the bright light! Amen.

* Please rise in body or spirit, as you are able

Call to Prayer Song

"The Quiet Center" , verse 1

Black Hymnal #2128

Prayer to Begin

God, bless our feet that we might stand against injustice. Bless our hands that we might reach into the world with healing. Bless our ears to prepare for sacred silence. Bless our eyes to see all the beauty surrounding our world. Bless our mouths that we might use them to edify others, always speaking truth in love for those around us. Remove our judgmental tendencies and impulsive ways that critique those around us. Bless our souls that we may dance, sing, love and hope as your people! May we give love and receive love with courage and enthusiasm. Amen.

Anthem

"Ride On, King Jesus"

-L. L. Fleming

Children's Time

We thank Karen, Brenda, Cate and children for their sharing about our Palm Sunday! We invite kids to use the activity tables or participate in our Sunday School program following Children's Time on the first floor.

Hearing the Word *(Common English Bible)*

Scripture Reading

Luke 17:20-21

Mark 11:1-11

Reader: These words inspired by God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Gifts of the Dark Wood: *"The Gifts of Misfits. The Palms."*

*** Hymn**

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Red Hymnal #280

Our Time of Prayer

Shared Prayers

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Red Hymnal #895

*Use the words that help you: "Our (*Father, Mother, God, Creator*)"

Offertory

"The Palms"

-J. B. Faure/L. Smith

Doxology

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Red Hymnal #95

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, we thank you for your grace, giving and generosity in our lives! Guide us in our stewardship role, always surrounding our actions in love of you, God, and love of others. Whether we are the misfits, or if we are celebrating the history of the triumphant entry of Jesus coming to transform the kingdom of heaven here and now - empower us forever! May our treasures and tithes be a blessing to this church, community and world. We praise you with our love! Amen.

*** Hymn**

"Mantos y Palmas"

Red Hymnal #279

*** Benediction**

Postlude

"All Glory Be To God On High"

-J. S. Bach

**Many thanks to our readers today:
Rod, Fred, James and Kari**

Thank you to our Worship Team

<u>Pastor:</u>	Reverend Linda McCollough
<u>Greeters:</u>	Our Friends at CUMC
<u>Music Leaders:</u>	Organist - Sharon Ruhnke Bell Choir - Karen Schneider Music Director – Elaine Hill
<u>Sound System:</u>	Andy Bixler/James Bordewick



NOTES

Lenten Schedule

Good Friday

March 30th –Ecumenical Service - 12:00pm-1:00pm
at St. Matthew 4101 Washington Street

March 30th –Worship Service - 7:00pm
at Community UMC

Easter Sunday

April 1st –Breakfast – 8:30am

Easter Worship 10:00am

**Communion will be held on Sunday, April 8th

HeightsNext Potluck

HeightsNext will be having their annual volunteer potluck here at CUMC, on **Tuesday, March 27th at 5:30pm**. This is an excellent opportunity to network with volunteers and like-minded citizens who are involved in local community programs. Please mark it on your calendars and plan to join in.

Save the Date!

We will be having a meeting with Pat Hinker on **Thursday, April 5th** at 6:30pm. Please mark it on your calendars and plan to join in.

Community Dinner

We are offering a community dinner to the public every *second and fourth* Monday of the month. Please spread the word and let people know about this great opportunity, we serve delicious food! If you are interested in helping prepare, serve or clean up, please talk with Jim Reinholdson about what opportunities are available. **Supper starts at 5:30PM.** We look forward to seeing you there!

Meals on Wheels Delivery

We will be delivering Meals On Wheels from **April 2nd – April 6th.** Please contact Rod Bruns for more information or to volunteer.

Celebration!

Dick Meixner's turning 90! Please join us during fellowship hour on **April 8th** to celebrate this wonderful milestone.



**We will be having a special offering on
Sunday, April 8th**

Our Vision

We are an urban, intergenerational, inclusive and welcoming Christian fellowship woven into the fabric of our community.

Our Staff

Pastor	Linda McCollough
Ministers	All the Congregation
Office Manager	Karyn Naber
Music Director	Elaine Hill
Organist	Sharon Ruhnke
Bell Choir Director	Karen Schneider

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