

First United Methodist Church

March 25, 2018

Passion/Palm Sunday

Prelude Carol Dickinson
"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" – Arrg. Borop

Call to Worship Choir
"Palm Sunday Introit"

Offertory Carol Dickinson
"Via Dolorosa" – Arrg. Harzog

***Doxology** UMH 95
"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Mark 11:1-11 Rev. Freeman

***Hymn** UMH 278
"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" (vs. 1,2,3)

Mark 14:1-11 Deborah Tidwell

Special Music Kara Williamson
"Alabaster Box"

Mark 14:26-50 Jim Raines

***Hymn** UMH 371
"I Stand Amazed in the Presence" (vs. 1,2)

Mark 14:53-72 Kara Williamson

Anthem Choir
"What Wondrous Love is This"

Mark 15:1-20 Jane Raines

***Hymn** UMH 504
"The Old Rugged Cross"

Mark 15:21-39 Butch Ivie

***Hymn** UMH 294
"Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed" (vs. 1,3, 5)

Mark 15:40-47 Rev. Freeman

Anthem Choir
"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

***Benediction**
**Please stand as you are able*

Welcome to First United Methodist Church! If this is your first time, we hope you'll come back. If you wish to know more about our church, here's how:

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- ❖ Visit our website – <http://www.WinfieldFUMC.com>
- ❖ We're on Facebook – **Winfield First United Methodist Church**
- ❖ Call or e-mail the church office at (205)487-2405 or info@winfieldfumc.com

In Worship Today:

- ❖ Rev. Earl Freeman
- ❖ Laura Lesley – Choir Director
- ❖ Amanda Anderson – Asst. Choir Director/Pianist
- ❖ Carol Dickinson – Organist
- ❖ Bill Belle Isle, Roger Davis, Anthony McCaleb, and Joe Tex Tidwell – Ushers

Church Staff

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Mark 15:40-47

Some women were watching from a distance, including Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James (the younger one) and Joses, and Salome. ⁴¹When Jesus was in Galilee, these women had followed and supported him, Pilate and ask for Jesus' body. (Joseph was a prominent council member who also eagerly anticipated the coming of God's kingdom.) ⁴⁴Pilate wondered if Jesus was already dead. He called the centurion and asked him whether along with many other women who had come to Jerusalem with him. ⁴²Since it was late in the afternoon on Preparation Day, just before the Sabbath, ⁴³Joseph from Arimathea dared to approach Jesus had already died. ⁴⁵When he learned from the centurion that Jesus was dead, Pilate gave the dead body to Joseph. ⁴⁶He bought a linen cloth, took Jesus down from the cross, wrapped him in the cloth, and laid him in a tomb that had been carved out of rock. He rolled a stone against the entrance to the tomb. ⁴⁷Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was buried.

Announcements

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About the Feature Hymn for Today:

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" was written by Isaac Watts (1674 - 1748), one of the greatest hymn writers of all time. He is recognized as the "Godfather of English Hymnody." At the time of Watt's birth, churches in England sang only metrical psalms. But by the time of his death, he had planted the seeds of a much more complex hymnody. His 600 hymns made the transition from a rigid, metrical psalmody to a freer, theologically-based hymnody. For the earlier metrical psalms, the song leader would sing a phrase and then the congregation would echo back what had been sung. Watts' hymns include complex theology in a format that is ideal for congregational singing. He insisted that songs in the church should be fully evangelical and not just supplements to the Psalms; that hymns should give straightforward expression to the thoughts and feelings of the singers and not merely recall events of the distant past. "When I Survey" is saturated with theology and a call for an emotional response from the singer. It is a statement of faith that transitions to a vow of pledge. According to hymn scholar Lionel Adey, the theology of this hymn functions powerfully in the context of a worship service: "About to receive the Sacrament, the poet meditates upon the love that turned that instrument of judicial torture and death into the channel of divine compassion."

Ushers for March:

- ❖ Bill Belle Isle, Roger Davis, Anthony McCaleb, & Tex Tidwell

Ushers for April:

- ❖ Josh Brooks, Wayne Garrett, Ewan Henson, & Anthony McCaleb

Weekly Events (This Week):

- ❖ **NO** Children/MS Youth Fellowship, Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ **NO** Adult Bible Study, Wednesdays, at 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ **NO** Choir Practice, Wednesdays:
- ❖ Adult Choir Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

Monthly Events:

- ❖ **First Wednesday Potluck Dinner**, April 04 at 5:30 p.m.
- ❖ **Methodist Men's Breakfast**, Sunday, April 15 at 7:30 a.m.
- ❖ **Finance Committee Meeting**, Sunday, April 15 at 4:30 p.m.
- ❖ **Administrative Board Meeting**, Sunday, April 15 at 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ **Wesleyan Fellowship**, Monday, April 23 at 6:30 p.m.

Other Seasonal Events:

- ❖ **Community Worship, Palm Sunday**, March 25
- ❖ **Maundy Thursday Communion**, March 29, 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ **Easter Sunday, Apr 1: Sunrise Service-6:30 am, Worship-11 am**

Prayer Requests & Praises

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Church Family:

Chuck Alexander	Vonceal Holliman, Brookwood CICU
Sandy Anderson	Glenn May
Nell Attaway	Family of Charles D. McDonald, Sr. who
Edd & Mary Jim Black	passed away March 20
Clay & Kristen Brasher	Harold & Bertie Mae
Max Brasher	Linda McDonald, Flu
Patsy Brasher	Larry McGee
Rose Byrd	Carl McLaughlin, open-heart surgery
Lynn Crook, eye surgery	Whit Miles
Carol Dickinson	Frances Norris
Patsy Earnest	Amanda Carothers South
Chris Garrett	Lynn Smith
Kenneth Gilmer	Jayden, Jason & Tanya Tucker
Marie Hill	Cynthia Tyra

Extended Family:

Truitt Allison, retired preacher

Doris Anderson (aunt of Todd and Allen Anderson)

Mickey Anderson, cancer, father of Allan Anderson

Marsha Baker, cancer (sister of Roger Davis)

Allen Barber, cancer has returned (friend of the Sexton family)

Brandon Bostick (grandson of Sonya and Jr. Bostick)

Bob Cox (friend of Jim & Jane Raines)

Allen Davis (friend of Randy Russell)

Nick Fox (friend of Jim Raines)

Jim Fuqua (father of Diana Reaves)

CaroLynne Gann, hospice (cousin of Prebble Bell & Mary Jim Black)

Mac Godsey, health concerns (family of Petra & Roger Davis)

Jeff Halcomb, cancer (friend of Jimmy Chaffin)

Brenda Hall, in ICU at Tupelo (aunt of Pam Brasher)

Family of Clarence Harrod, who passed away March 20,

Sean Hubbert, 2 mos. old, heart issues (friend of Amy Clelland)

Anjaleah Hubbert (Sean's mother), cervical cancer (friend of Amy Clelland)

Brandi Lowe (daughter of Chuck & Ginny Dickerson)

Duane Odell, stage 4 breast cancer (friend of Deborah Tidwell)

Larry & Marion Reese

William Robert Rodgers (brother of Harry Rodgers)

Randy Russell (son of Jack & Hermi)

Robert Sherry, abdominal surgery (brother-in-law of Rose Byrd)

Jake Spiller, auto accident, hospital at DCH Tuscaloosa (friend of Dickinson's, Guyton's)

Glynda Swinney, chemo (friend of Linda Housh)

Jim & Brenda Taylor (friend Linda McDonald)

Ed & June Trull (friends of Linda McDonald)

Kim Underwood, cancer (cousin of Prebble Bell & Mary Jim Black)

Brenda Walker, leukemia (friend of Linda McDonald)

Will Wharten, 3 yrs. old, kidney transplant (friend of Kara Williams)

Karl Yeager, heart & kidney issues (friend of Bill Belle Isle)

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