

March 20, 2005

“Palm Sunday”

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Gathering Around the Word

The Chimes (11:00)

Prelude

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Cynthia Dobrinski

Grace Bells (11:00)

Welcome and Announcements

Jason Whitener

Prayer of Preparation

You give us tongues to speak comforting words to those who are weary. Each morning You awaken us to the words of new life. Throughout the day Your graciousness accompanies each step that we take. When we retire we reflect on Your mercy and how it sustains us. As we sleep You nurture us with Your untiring care. We are borne aloft with Your unbridled benevolence and come now to praise You and worship Your name. Amen.

Lenten Reading

“Watch”

(8:30) Donald Rich

(11:00) Tyler Wood

Choral Introit

“Hosanna”

Celebration Hymnal

(11:00)

Adult Choir

Call to Worship

Leader: In You, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in Your righteousness deliver me.

People: Incline Your ear to me; rescue me speedily. Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.

Leader: I trust in You, O Lord; I say, “You are my God.”

People: Let Your face shine upon Your servant; save me in Your steadfast love.

All: Let us worship God!

Processional

* **Hymn #300-301**

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

with “We Will Glorify”

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

O God, we confess our distress when afflicted with pain. We often avoid those encounters that will cause us discomfort. It is easier to hide from distress than to be exposed to forms of misery and grief. Yet we believe in Christ, who was sacrificed for all. Help us to trust in Him when He calls us to bear abuse on His behalf and show more compassion on others for whom pain is so constant. ...*(Worshippers continue in a moment of silent, personal confession.)*

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Our assurance of pardon is in Jesus, “who, though He was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave ... and became obedient to the point of death ... on a cross.”

People: Through His obedience we are freed from whatever bondage enslaves us. Thanks be to God. Amen.

* **Glory Be to the Father** Hymnal, #813
Anthem "The Days of Christ" Craig Courtney
(11:00) *Adult Choir*

Reception of New Members (11:00)

The Sacrament of Baptism (11:00) **Emma Kate Peery**
Carter Wilson Peery

The Apostles' Creed (*Hymnal*, inside back cover)

Baptismal Hymn #465 "Baptized in Water"

Following the elder's statement, the congregation shall respond:

"With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Emma and Carter into Christ's church, for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage and support them, to share the good news of the gospel with them, and to help them know and follow Christ."

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Time Jason Whitener

* **Hymn #308** "There Is a Redeemer"
(8:30)

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Lesson Matthew 26:20-56 Pew Bible, page 862

Sermon "Peter or Judas?" Shari Achterhof

Responding to the Word

* **Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed Hymnal,
(8:30) inside back cover

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory "Pastorale" (11:00) Carey

* **Doxology (#815) and Prayer of Dedication**

Bearing the Word Into the World

* **Hymn #344** "Grace Greater than Our Sin"

* **Charge and Benediction**

* **Congregational Response #310** "Lead Me to Calvary" (*1st verse and refrain*)

* **Postlude**

* Those who are able, please stand.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are visiting with us this morning, we welcome you! If you are interested in joining Tinkling Spring, please speak with one of the pastors. An Inquirers'/New Members' class will begin on Sunday, April 3rd at 9:30 a.m. in Spring Hall for all who are interested in learning more about Tinkling Spring. The class will be held for five consecutive Sundays, ending on May 1st.

New Members! We welcome Chris and Kristi Peery to the Tinkling Spring family. They have two children, Emma and Carter. Contact the church office to obtain the Peery's address.

The Sacrament of Baptism is being administered today to Emma and Carter Peery. Elder Gerald Showalter will be assisting with the baptism.

Thank you to the preschool - 5th grade children who are leading us in worship today as they process waving palm branches to remind us of the first Palm Sunday so long ago.

The Children at the Lord's Supper Class will meet this evening from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Dinner will be provided. Please remember to bring your bulletin artwork.

The Middle and High School Youth will meet from 6:00-7:30 p.m. tonight in the sanctuary to practice for the Easter Sunrise service. Afterwards, we will have dessert! Next Sunday, all youth need to arrive at 6:30 a.m. to prepare for leading the Easter Sunrise service. The youth will also sing the Introit at the 8:30 a.m. worship service. There will be no evening youth group next Sunday. In April we will begin working on our annual Dinner Theater.

First Fruits Offering – On Easter Sunday, March 27th, we will offer our first gift toward the “Springing Forth In Faith” campaign.

Special Services during Holy Week:

- **Palm Sunday:** Holy Week begins today on Palm Sunday, with Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.
- **Maundy Thursday:** On March 24th at 7:00 p.m. we will remember the Last Supper Jesus shared with His disciples as we worship through the drama, “Is It I, Lord?” and partake in Holy Communion.
- **Prayer Vigil:** This event begins on Good Friday, March 25th at 3:00 p.m. continuing through Easter Sunday at 7:00 a.m. Come and devote an hour or two to silent prayer in the sanctuary. Please sign up on the poster in the parlor.
- **Good Friday:** On Friday at 7:00 p.m. we will remember Jesus' death on the cross as we worship through The Word and through music.
- **Easter Sunday:** On March 27th the week concludes with Easter Sunday's worship services beginning with the Sunrise Service at 7:00 a.m. on the hill by the cross. Worshipers are invited to bring fresh flowers to place on the cross. A covered dish breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m. in Spring Hall followed by the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services in the sanctuary. Journey with Jesus through His final week on this earth and come to celebrate His resurrection on Easter Sunday!

Music for Holy Week:

- Today, Palm Sunday, March 20th (11:00) - Grace Bells, Adult Choir
- Maundy Thursday, March 24th - Men’s Chorus (Come at 6:30 p.m.)
- Good Friday, March 25th - Adult Choir (Come at 6:00 p.m.)
- Easter Sunday Sunrise, March 27th - All youth (Come at 6:30 a.m.)
- Easter 8:30 - All youth, Adult Choir, Celebration Singers (Adults come at 8:00 a.m.)
- Easter 11:00 - LOGOS 1st-4th graders, Adult Choir, Celebration Singers (Children come at 10:30 a.m.)

Fishersville Area Senior Citizens will be meeting on Tuesday, March 22nd, at 10:30 a.m. at Fishersville United Methodist Church. The guest speaker will be George Swanson and he will be sharing his wood turning skills with us. A hot meal will be served for \$3 a person. Please bring a friend and join us for Christian fellowship, fun and a meal.

Nursery Volunteers Needed: We are in need of nursery volunteers for the Maundy Thursday and the Good Friday Tenebrae services. If you can volunteer, please contact Lara Marcum or Nicole Hutchinson.

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be received throughout the month of March. Gifts support the work of The Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, The Presbyterian Committee for the Self-Development of People, and The Presbyterian Hunger Program, which enable a powerful witness to the love of the One who came that all might have life more abundantly.

Church Softball: Anyone interested in playing on our church co-ed softball team should contact Randy Gregory for a sign-up form.

Springing Forth in Faith Prayers of the Week: For the last six weeks, our bulletins have featured a weekly prayer for family use leading up to Commitment Sunday (March 13th). We thank them for their prayers, and we thank each of you as you have prayed for our church and its mission. God is faithful.
~The Spiritual Life Directors

Our Stewardship Report (2005 Budget \$557,980)

Needed per week:	\$9,522.69	Year to date:	\$104,749.59
Received last week:	\$16,244.92	Year to date:	\$112,679.67

Attendance, March 13th

8:30 Worship:	112	11:00 Worship:	243
Sunday School:	157	Sunday School Offering:	\$155.53

Week's Schedule (March 20th – 26th)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Today	4:00 p.m.	Men's Chorus	Room 213
Today	5:00 p.m.	Youth Beginning Bells	Bell Room
Today	5:00 p.m.	Celebration Singers	Room 213
Today	5:30 p.m.	Children at the Lord's Supper Class	Fellowship Hall
Today	6:00 p.m.	Youth Sunrise Service Practice	Sanctuary
Today	7:30 p.m.	R.I.N.G.	Bell Room
Today	7:30 p.m.	Session Meeting	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Session Room
Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	Senior Citizens	F.U.M.C.
Tuesday	1:00 p.m.	Senior Singers	Room 213
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Preschool Committee	Room 102
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	VBS Planning Team	Kitchenette
Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Men's Chorus	Room 213
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service	Sanctuary
Friday	3:00 p.m.	Prayer Vigil begins	Sanctuary
Friday	6:00 p.m.	Adult Choir	Room 207
Friday	7:00 p.m.	Tenebrae Service	Sanctuary

<u>Nursery Attendants: Today</u>	<u>March 27th</u>
8:30: Sandy Wagoner & Barbara Lawson	Sandra & Ashley Bell
Sunday School: John & Lara Marcum	Nancy Groah & Emily Reno
11:00 Crib: Ann Todd & Lisa Bradley	John & Lara Marcum
11:00 Toddler: Darrell & Ginger Byrd	Tom Shumate & Mariah Carpenter

Prayer List

Health Concerns

J.W. Albert	Larry Baldwin*	Lula Beckner
Irene Booce	Lorraine Caldwell	Kim Coffey
Haley Colvin	Matt Dameron*	Ric Dameron*
Jan Deitz	Alan Foster	Doris Gray
Douglas Hanger*	Mark Hanuscik	Alice Holland
Andrew Howell	Pamela Jenkins	O. Kingrey*
Justin Marcus	Mary Evelyn McChesney	Irene Moxie
Bobby Perry	Alan Rogers	Michael Rose
Gladys Ryckbost	Julie Stickley	Thurston Yancey

In Special Care

Vera Brown	Berynce Layman	Frances Ann Lucas
Alice Simpkins	Minnie Sorrell	Laura Weaver

Special Concerns

Tsunami Victims	Capital Campaign	Armed Forces
200 th /201 st Red Horse Squadron		

In Bereavement

Family of Ethan Dameron*	Family of Flossie Henson*	Family of Roger Hipes*
Family of Roy Kelly*	Family of Chris Norene*	Family of John Ott*