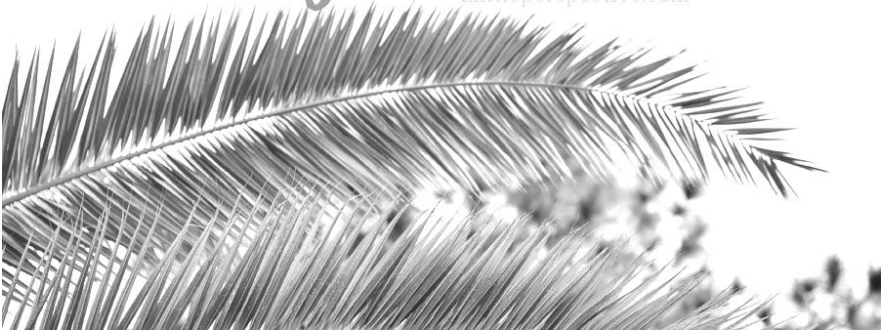


Emmaus Church of Smithville

Blessed
IS *the* KING WHO COMES
in the NAME *of the* LORD!
PEACE *in* HEAVEN, *and* GLORY *in the*
highest!
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April 10, 2022
Palm Sunday / Passion Sunday

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Preach, Teach, and Model a Life-Giving Gospel

Cover: Today we celebrate Palm Sunday
and the beginning of Holy Week.

Please silence all electronic devices.

No flash photography during worship service.

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Don

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Hosanna to the Son of David!

People: **Hosanna in the highest!**

Leader: Blessed is the One who comes in the
name of the Lord.

People: **Hosanna in the highest!**

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER:

Passion/Palm Sunday (*Unison*)

#281

OPENING HYMN: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

#278

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 118

#839

RESPONSE SONG: Alleluia (*all verses*)

#186

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Triumphant God, we echo the shouts of “Hosanna!” as we relive the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and all that waits in the week to come. Like that first parade so long ago, we may have different ideas of what kind of a Messiah we long to welcome. Many of us seek one who thinks like we think, who will wield power to meet our longings. As we give our gifts this morning, may we be of the heart and mind of submission. You know better than us the Messiah that is needed for your kingdom to come on earth, as it is in heaven. In Christ, we pray. **Amen.**

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC: “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”
by Fanny J. Crosby

Performed by Joan Yowell, Hazel Falkner, and Bob Fenton

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER **Pastor Don**

HYMN: Tell Me the Stories of Jesus **#277**

SCRIPTURE: Luke 19:11-44

Pew Bible: Page # 1040

Large Print Bible: # 1632-1634

SERMON: “Enemies, Disciples, and Tears” **Pastor Don**

CLOSING HYMN: All Glory, Laud, and Honor **#280**

ALTAR CALL

CLOSING PRAYER & BENEDICTION

*Do you want to hear the sermon again
or share it with a friend?*

*Look on our Facebook page for video of Pastor Don’s
sermons each week, and on our website*

(www.emmausumc-nj.org)

for audio and text, including scripture.

PRAYER REQUESTS – Week of 04/10/2022

Please advise the Church Office when names should be added or removed.

In Need of Healing & Prayer:

Bob Bernardo – colon cancer
Tammy Bethea – financial problems
Earle Booye – health
Lauri Carey – blood clot
Ray Carey – back surgery
Phil Cunningham – brain surgery
Frank DeFeo & Family – surgeries
Kevin Dennis – health
Judy & Tony Domenico – ulcer
Ron Emmons - recovery & healing
Eric Fetrow & Family – Troop 77
Agnes Florian – cancer
Rose Flye, Emmaus
Luke Gambale – cancer
Kent Grisomer – depression
Malachi Habib – newborn with heart surgeries
Noah Haib – salvation
Mattie Hammie – legs
Luke Hazley – continued healing
Bill Healey – strength & comfort
Esther Heckstall – sister of E. Derry
Bill Heuer – healing/recovery from surgery
Anna Higbee – healing
Maureen Hopper – throat cancer
Cindy Irwin – healing
Dekein James – back pain
Lillian Johnsen, Bill Quiles' Daughter
Bill Johnston – recovery & healing
Katz Family – healing
John C. Kennedy – health
Rick Kroger – cancer
Noah Kuppel – healing
Joyce Leonetti & Family – brain cancer
Kathy Liguori – strength & comfort
Jay Masterson – healing
Robert McCorkle – healing
Karen McCroy – brain tumor
Gloria Morgan, Emmaus
Kelly Murphy – pending diagnosis
Barbara Myles – health
Jimmie Ortiz – tumor removal surgery

Dorothy Payne – health
Frank & Dolores Quigley – home rebuilt
Bill Quiles, Emmaus
Carol Reeves – stage 4 breast cancer
Richard Roth – healing
Richard Rosario – heart healing
Louise Sanford – healing
Denise Seck – recovery from accident
Thomas Sheridan – pancreatic cancer
Donna Spol – surgery
Tracey Smith-Clark – heart health
Gloria Q. Tully, Bill Quiles' Daughter
Carmen & David Vasquez – COVID19
Janice Vitti – health
Princess Walker – health
Karen K. Wells – health & tests
Betty Wescoat, Emmaus
Nora & Charlie Wimberg – health
Vanessa White – healing & recovery
Connie Whitley – health
Students, Teachers, & School Workers

The Eternal Peace & Comfort of Our Lord:

Magee Family, Emmaus
Janet Scharnbeck
COVID-19; Violence, Disasters, & Unrest

Assisted Living:

Lou Boras, Bill Quiles' Friend
Ralph & Rachel Shaffer, Emmaus
Preferred Care of Absecon (nursing home)

Emmaus' 2022 Missions:

Youth With A Mission, World-Wide
Agua de Vida, Nicaragua
Atlantic City Rescue Mission
Ranch Hope for Boys, Alloway, NJ
Salvation Army

Youth Programs:

Emmaus Sunday School & Youth
Boy Scout Troop 77



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Altar Flowers are given the Glory of God.

THIS FRIDAY: Good Friday Service

In observation of Good Friday (April 15th), the church will be open beginning at 12 PM for prayer, reflection, and worship. From 12-2 there will be a PowerPoint of scripture and music in the sanctuary. Good Friday worship service will begin at 2 PM.

Grounds Cleanup – Saturday 4/23

Emmaus Church will be having grounds cleanup on Saturday, April 23rd, starting at 9 AM. Any and all help will be appreciated.

March & April Mission Focus – Youth With a Mission

Mission donations made during March and April will be forwarded to Youth With A Mission (YWAM) to support missionary Lisa Whitaker's efforts on the European and African continents. Lisa was born and raised in Absecon, NJ. Donate by designating a "Mission" amount on your offering envelope. ***Update: Lisa Whitaker will be a Guest Speaker here at Emmaus Church in May.***

Fellowship Hosts Needed for April

We will need Fellowship coordinators for April and the months ahead. Please see the sign-up sheet and information sheets on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Emmaus Food Pantry – NEW Hours of Operation

The Emmaus Food Pantry has adjusted its hours of operation. The Food Pantry will now be open the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 11 AM to 1 PM. Please contact our Food Pantry Coordinator, Lenore Duberson, for questions or more details.

Counters Needed

Please consider volunteering to help count the weekly offering. If we have enough counters, you will only need to serve in this capacity once per month.



*"Let the
little children
come to me"*

MATTHEW 19:14

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY RESUMES

Under the leadership of Samantha Gormley, our Family Ministries' Chairperson, our children's ministries will "relaunch." This will start on Sunday, April 24th.

What it will look like and how it will develop will be led by the Holy Spirit with input from families with children. To find out more or to participate in any way, please contact Samantha at 609-290-8835. May God bless this kingdom work!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THIS MINISTRY

Are You New to Emmaus?

Welcome! We are glad you are here today and hope you are blessed by the fellowship. To all who enter the doors of this church, we extend a special greeting. It is our sincere desire that you find warmth and friendship here. May God bestow on you a beautiful Sabbath Day. Please complete a Guest Card (located in the rack on the back of each pew) and place it in the offering plate. As you leave, be sure to pick up an "Emmaus History & Information Card" in the Narthex near the Pastor's office door.

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April Birthdays & Anniversaries

Please contact the church office with updates!

4/ 2 Karen & Ron Lockhart

4/18 Francis Nooney

4/10 Norma Magee

4/19 Sarah & Shane Nooney

4/13 Butch Sill

4/28 Connie & BW Whitley

4/14 Matt & Norma Magee

4/30 Hannah & Christian Juarez

4/17 Abby McIntyre

PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday is the day we remember the "triumphal entry" of Jesus into Jerusalem, exactly one week before His resurrection. Some 450-500 years earlier, the Prophet Zechariah had prophesied, "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey".

This event took place on the Sunday before Jesus' crucifixion. In remembrance of this event, we celebrate Palm Sunday because of the palm branches that were laid on the road as Jesus rode the donkey into Jerusalem.

MEMORIZE:

Psalm 118:1 (NIV84)

¹ Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

Psalm 118:24 (NIV84)

²⁴ This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- 1) Jesus told the Parable of the Ten Minas because he was near Jerusalem and the people thought the kingdom of God was going to appear at once.
 - a. How does the parable refute that notion?
 - b. Do people in general resent having to submit to a higher authority? Do you ever have such a resentment? Jesus calls those that oppose the king enemies. Because they would not submit, they were to be killed in front of the king. How do you feel about this? What does that feeling reveal about you and your relationship with God?
 - c. There were three kinds of servants. What made the third servant wicked? Analyze their position.
- 2) Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday is so familiar to us. Imagine what Jesus must be thinking. Is he happy, sad, numb? Why did the Pharisees think His disciples should be rebuked? What does His refusal indicate?
- 3) Why was Jesus weeping and what was the nature of His tears? Jesus say, "If only...but now is hidden." Does this seem fair? Examine your response to the judgment of God.