

NOTES

Welcome to worship at The Church of the Pilgrimage. We hope you will join us for coffee hour following the service, and return to worship with us again soon!

Children will depart for Sunday school after the children's message. Children under three are welcome downstairs in the crib room where our nursery worker Kristen Moses will watch over them.

Fellowship Pew Pad: Please-whether you are a member, regular attendee, or guest-fill in your name and pass it down your pew for others to sign. Then, pass it back so we can easily greet one another. If you are a visitor and would like to receive our monthly newsletter, please include your address.

Copies of the morning sermon are available on the marble table in the upper vestibule. There are also **hearing devices** available.

Prayer Concerns may be written on a note and placed in the prayer box by the sanctuary door, or spoken at the sharing of celebrations and concerns.

The Wednesday Bible Study Group will meet Wednesday, April 12 at 10:30am meeting at the home of Amy Simpson, 5 Sunrise Avenue. Scripture to be studied is the Easter text of Luke 24:1-12. All are welcome!

Easter Pageant Rehearsal will be after church today.

Coffee & Conversation 11:30-1 after church, all teens in 8th-12th grade are welcome to join us across the street, upstairs in the JRC.

Memorial Lilies: Today is your last chance to order lilies. As is our tradition, the beauty of our church will be enhanced on Easter morning with a multitude of lilies. Through your loving donation of \$15, your name and those honored or memorialized will be listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Sign up in the lower vestibule following the service. Flowers can be picked up, and volunteers will be welcomed to take flowers to shut-ins, after the second Easter service.

New members will be received on Sunday, April 30th. Please speak with Pastor Helen if you are ready to join.

Our church will be hosting training sessions for Immigration Detention visitors—In this season with increased immigration and customs enforcement detentions, there is an increased need for Spiritual Caregivers to visit those imprisoned, especially in Plymouth County. 4 Monday evenings in May here at our church, 6-9pm May 1, 8, 15, and 22. A joint project of the Mass Council of Churches and Refugee Immigration Ministries. See the April Herald for more information.

Annual Report Deadline: April 16

Herald Deadline: April 20

HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2017

Please join us as often as you can during Holy Week. We look forward to celebrating the Resurrection with you.

April 13-Maundy Thursday service in our sanctuary at 7pm. This solemn service helps us put in to perspective the emotions Jesus may have experienced during the last days and hours of his life. Communion will be served and the service concludes with the Office of Tenebrae (extinguishing of the light).

April 14-Way of the Cross is an interactive worship service for all ages focusing on Jesus' journey to the cross. It begins at 6:30pm in our sanctuary.

April 16-Easter Sunday

5:45am - Interfaith Sunrise Service on Cole's Hill
9:15am - Easter Pageant
11am - Traditional Easter Worship

FRIDGE NOTES: WEEK OF APRIL 10

Monday, April 10: Monday Meals of Hospitality, 11am, Allerton Hall.

Tuesday, April 11: Board of Deacons, 7pm, Marks Sanctuary (rehearsal for Maundy Thursday).

Wednesday, April 12: Bible Study, 10:30am, @ Amy Simpson's home; Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6:30pm, Sanctuary; Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm, Sanctuary.

Thursday, April 13: Maundy Thursday service, 7pm, Sanctuary.

Friday, April 14: Church Office Closed for Good Friday; Guild, 12pm, Allerton Hall; Way of the Cross Service, 6:30pm, Sanctuary.

Sunday, April 16: Interfaith Easter Sunrise Service, 5:45am, Cole's Hill; Easter Pageant, 9:15am, Sanctuary; Traditional Easter Worship, 11am, Sanctuary.



As an Open and Affirming Congregation we invite all into our faith, to fully share in all church life, including our work, worship, rites, and sacraments, with the assurance that we are all created in God's image, reconciled by Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

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The Church of the Pilgrimage

United Church of Christ

Plymouth, Massachusetts

Sunday, April 9, 2017
10:00 a.m.

Palm Sunday



Rev. Dr. Helen Nablo, PASTOR
Rev. Michael Dunfee, WORSHIP LEADER
Kelley DePasqua, MUSIC DIRECTOR
Michael Eaton, ORGANIST

Jenny Healy, DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN ED

The Church of the Pilgrimage UCC

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!

PRELUDE

Ronde Française
-Léon Boëllmann 1862-1897

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsively)*

Holy One, we gather this day.

We come as we are with shouts of joy!

Alleluia to the King of Kings!

Accept all we bring before you today.

Accept our worship we pray.

***HYMN** No. 178

All Glory, Laud and Honor

***PRAYER OF THE DAY** *(unison)*

O Christ, you entered the city as a poor man

not in style but simply,

yet still you caused uproar, and questions everywhere;

you drew the expectations of a hungry crowd,

and brought buried conflicts to the light.

May we, who are sometimes swayed by the crowd's approval,

and who often avoid conflict for fear of its cost to us,

hold fast to the gospel of peace and justice

and follow faithfully in your way of compassion and solidarity

with those who are poor and excluded,

wherever it may lead us. Amen.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(unison)*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** No. 36

ANTHEM

Me

Ain't No Rock Gonna Shout For

by Lloyd Larson

Here comes the Lord ridin' on a donkey

with people waving branches and callin' him "King." Here comes

the Lord ridin' through Jerusalem.

If the people don't shout, the rocks will cry out!

Rocks, keep silent! Jesus comes to set me free. Rocks, keep silent!

I'm gonna' shout in victory! Rocks, keep silent! Jesus reigns in

majesty. Ain't no rock gonna shout for me.

Here comes the Lord as thousands throng to see him. Children

stand on tip-toe to see the King.

Here comes the Lord; excitement in the air.

If the people don't shout, the rocks will cry!

Oh, yes, the rocks will cry out!

Rocks, keep silent! Jesus comes to set me free. Rocks, keep silent!

I'm gonna' shout in victory! Rocks, keep silent! Jesus reigns in

majesty. Ain't no rock gonna shout for me.

Here comes the Lord; hosannas fill the air. The people bow and

worship the promised King! Here comes the Lord. "Hosanna in

the highest!" If the people don't shout, the rocks will cry out!

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majesty. Ain't no rock gonna shout for me.

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Jenny Healy

--Children will depart for Sunday School--

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND CHORAL RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 19:29

NT78 or 854

SERMON

Pastor Helen Nablo

***HYMN** No. 356

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Sanctus from Mass for Many Nations

By Rupert Lang

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God. Holy, holy lord of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest heaven.

***DOXOLOGY** No. 44

PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(unison)*

Promised Messiah, visit the desperate places. King of kings, give

strength to the powerless places. Living Word, walk in the lifeless

places. Servant Savior, tend in the needy places. Rejected

sufferer, comfort in the painful places. Death defeater, bring

wholeness and healing to all places. And start here, Lord, among

us. Amen.

***HYMN** No. 188

Before the Cross of Jesus

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION

Palms have been waved,

cloaks spilled on the ground,

voices have been lifted in song,

and Jesus has been welcomed into the city.

The week lies ahead of us,

times of servanthood and symbolism,

as feet are washed and bread is broken,

and the cross looms ahead of us.

May we walk with Passion along Jesus way.

Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Jesus, Priceless Treasure

-Paul Manz 1919-2009

You may remain seated for the postlude, or rise to greet the pastor or go directly to coffee hour.

Our Deacon-in-Charge is Dawn Durmis.

Our Ushers are Lincoln & Susie Passmore, Jim Hammond and Val Baumann.

The Flowers are in loving memory of Attorney Phillip S. Cronin.

Given by Marjorie "Midge" Cronin and the family.

*Those who are able, please stand.

Please turn off all electronic devices so that we can be fully present to the Spirit and to one another.