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Easter Egg Hunt
Wednesday, March 28th
Meet in the FLC at
5:30pm
 All children 5th grade and under are invited to join us on our final Wednesday night for a big Easter egg hunt and cookout in the Kirk!
 ***Parents, please drop off a dozen, treat-filled eggs to the church office by Monday, March 26th.

CEMETERY TOUR
 Henry and Beth Spann will conduct two cemetery tours (including a discussion of the founding of First Presbyterian Church and its early history), on Saturday, April 7 at 2:00 and Sunday, April 8 immediately after the 10:30 service. Each tour will be limited to 25 members. If you are interested in either tour, please inform Debra Keeney by phone call (225-2551) or email debrak@fpcandersonsc.com.

This week at First Presbyterian....
Sunday, March 25
 8:30 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
Monday, March 26
 1:00 p.m. The Seekers Bible Study - Rm 212
 5:30 p.m. Deacons meeting - Parlor
 5:55 p.m. Yoga - FLC
 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts - McDougald Rm
Tuesday, March 27
 9:00 a.m. Dayschool Chapel
 10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - McDougald Rm
 10:00 a.m. VBS Directors meeting - Rm 212
 12:15 p.m. Chancel Chimers Rehearsal
 3:00 p.m. WOW Bible Study - Rm 212
Wednesday, March 28
 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
 12:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study - McDougald Rm
 3:30 p.m. Middle school pick-up
 5:30 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt - Meet in FLC
 5:30 p.m. Youth & Adult Bible Studies
 6:15 p.m. Dinner & Fellowship—Kirk
 6:30 p.m. Zumba - FLC
 7:00 p.m. Rejoicers Bible Study - FLC
 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, March 29
 10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC
 10:30 a.m. Disciple Bible Study - Rm 212
 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service - FPC Sanctuary
Friday, March 30
 Daycare/school Closed
 Church Office Closed
 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service - Central Presbyterian
Saturday, March 31
 9:00 a.m. Saturday Servants - Kirk

HOLY WEEK SERVICES
 March 29 - Maundy Thursday
 7:00pm Service at First Presbyterian with Central Presbyterian, Midway Presbyterian and Salem Presbyterian
 March 30 - Good Friday
 7:00pm Service at Central Presbyterian with First Presbyterian, Midway Presbyterian and Salem Presbyterian
 April 1 - Easter Sunday
 8:30am and 10:30am - Worship
 9:30am—Sunday School

Palm Sunday
March 25, 2018

8:30am and 10:30am



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PALM SUNDAY
MARCH 25, 2018
8:30 A.M. AND 10:30 A.M.

Welcome!

First Presbyterian Church welcomes all in the name of Jesus Christ today. We are delighted you have chosen to join us. Whether you are a longtime FPC disciple or a new friend, please sign the fellowship pad in the pew.

Please check with an usher if you would like large print hymns. After worship, please keep your bulletin or place in the recycle baskets at each entrance.
THANK YOU!

◆ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit if you are able. Join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in bold.

WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *How Great Thou Art* arr. Wilson
ANNOUNCEMENTS 8:30 David Segers 10:30 Tracy Harbert
YOUTH INVITATION 10:30 Kristyn Ball & Tyler Grove

WE PRAISE GOD

INTROIT 10:30 *Let All the Redeemed Proclaim* Williamson
Chancel Choir and Congregation

◆ CALL TO WORSHIP John 12:13
They took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Jesus, shouting,
"Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord - The King of Israel!"

◆ HYMN 197 *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* ELLECOMBE
(10:30 - Please remain seated for the palm processional by the children.)

MUSICAL WORSHIP 10:30 *Masterpiece* Gage
Who Will Wave the Palms Earnisse
Cherub Choir

◆ PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)
Lord Jesus, whenever we think life is unfair or we have more than our share of suffering, remind us how you became human, took on humble service, the pain of abandonment, and the humiliation of the cross. Forgive us for failing to celebrate and share how much you love us. AMEN.

SILENT PRAYERS OF PERSONAL CONFESSION
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

◆ GLORIA PATRI 581 GREATOREX
EXPRESSING THE FAITH 10:30
Sing a New Song Schram
Alleluia, All Creation Sings Wilkinson
Children's Choir

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES 10:30
(Our young disciples, ages 5k and under, are dismissed for extended worship.)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

NEW TESTAMENT READING *John 19:16b-30* Pew Bible, p. 99

SERMON *"Picking Up Palms, Taking Up the Cross"*
Dr. Dennis Tedder

◆ HYMN 228 *Were You There* WERE YOU THERE
(Verse 1 only)

◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Question 33, Confirmation Version*
Q. 33 What do we affirm when we say Jesus was "crucified, dead, and buried"?
A. **From Christ's lonely and terrible death we learn that there is no sorrow he has not known, no grief he has not borne, and no price he was unwilling to pay in order to reconcile us to God.**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

OFFERTORY 8:30 *All Glory, Laud and Honor* Neale
Early Bird Choir
10:30 *Lift Up Your Heads* Williamson
Chancel Choir

◆ DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH, Hymnal, pg. 606

◆ PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

◆ HYMN 228 *Were You There* WERE YOU THERE
(Verses 2—5)

◆ BENEDICTION Galatians 6:14

◆ POSTLUDE *Palm Sunday Fanfare* Young

As a courtesy to those worshipping with you today, please silence cell phones during our service. Please let our ushers know if you need directions to the nursery or to pick your child up from Extended Worship. A video broadcast of the service is available downstairs for those who may need to leave the sanctuary. The ushers can direct you to this room.

When we are called to worship, either through a prayer or scripture passage, we are encouraged to shift our gaze from ourselves towards our Creator.

The sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Louvale Hollingsworth and Christine Roush by Dianne and Al Hollingsworth.