

EASTER FLOWERS

PALM SUNDAY



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Serving and Loving Christ since 1737
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Mrs. Rochelle Chelius - Youth Minister Leader
Mrs. Melissa Kerber - Sexton

PALM SUNDAY



APRIL 14, 2019

WELCOME!

**In the name of our Savior Jesus Christ,
welcome to worship this morning!**

If you are a visitor, a special welcome to you, and if you are without a church home, we invite you to join our fellowship. Please fill out the guest card in the pew rack and pick up a welcome packet from the stand in the foyer. If you do not have a Bible at home, please take one from the welcome table. Visitors who are communing members of other Christian congregations are cordially invited to receive the Sacrament with us. Welcome to the Lord's table where we are one with Christ!

For your assistance, comfort and safety, we have ushers on duty before, during and after worship today. Should you need any help, please look for any of the men and women with an "usher" badge. There will be at least one in the lobby during worship. Our ushers are also instructed to offer help to anyone who appears in distress. Restrooms can be found through the door on the left at the front of the church; either proceed downstairs or to the left into the Fellowship Hall. **Large print bulletins and hearing receivers** are available in the Narthex. Please see an usher for assistance. Please be sure to turn off the hearing receivers after the worship service.

For parents with small children: We are blessed to have so many children in our congregation. Our church family knows that teaching children to worship is simply one of our most important ministries. If there is a need, please take advantage of our nursery room available during worship with a changing table, plenty of toys and audio of our service. Please ask any usher in the foyer to help you find the nursery room. **Children's bulletins** for readers and pre-readers are provided each week. They can be found on clipboards in the marked milk crates in the narthex and vestibule. Storybooks are also provided there for children to enjoy.

SCHWARZWALD LUTHERAN CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP

Schwarzwald Lutheran Church will award two \$500 scholarships to applicants (high school seniors only) planning on continuing their education beyond high school. Special consideration will be given to applicants whose faith and service to others has influenced their life and their plans for the future.

The applicant must be a member of Schwarzwald Lutheran Church and may attend any school district or be home-schooled.

Please pick-up an application in the church office. The application, along with your transcript, must be returned by Monday, April 22, 2019, either by dropping it off at the church office, Attention: Scholarship Committee, or e-mailing it to: administrator@schwarzwaldlutheran.org and placing "Scholarship Application" in the subject line.

If you have any questions, please call the church office, 610-779-3480.



SLC Scholarship Fund

WORSHIP SERVICE



EASTER CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

April 21, 2019

9-10 A.M. IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

Please help by selecting any of the items listed below. Bakes goods may be placed in the breezeway on Saturday April 20, or delivered early Easter morning, April 21.

Complete the bottom half of the form and return to the church office or drop in the offering plate on the Sundays of March 31, April 7 and 14.

BAKED GOODS

Bagels & Cream Cheese _____

Muffins _____

Coffee Cake _____

Fruit _____

Cookies _____

Danish _____

Donuts _____

HYMNS ON THE CARILLON

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE, *The Palms*Faure

CALL TO WORSHIP—RINGING THE BELLS

Please stand.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL, Luke 19:28-40

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁸After he had said this, Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here.

³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.' "

³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them.

³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it."

³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it.

³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road.

³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying,

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!"

³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop."

⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray...Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

PROCESSION

P Let us go forth in peace,

C **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Please wave the palms during the Processional Hymn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN, All Glory, Laud, and Honor

LBW #108 (please use green hymnal)

GREETING

P Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

C **Hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray...Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen**

Please be seated.

JUNIOR CHOIR ANTHEM, Nobody Cared. Hayford

CHILDREN’S CIRCLE

FIRST LESSON, Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. ⁷The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

THE WHITE CAPS OF PEARL HARBOR

On Sunday, May 5th at 9:15 AM in Fellowship Hall, Winnifred Woll will present a visual program in slides and memorabilia from World War II. Winnie is a member at our sister church down the hill, Schwarzwald UCC. Her mother was an Army Nurse who served on Oahu at the time of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Her story will focus on the nurses of Pearl Harbor and many of the stories that these nurses shared with Winnie. The program will end with everyone singing “Remember Pearl Harbor” while waving American flags. Do invite friends and family to join us for this special event.

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP BOOK

As we prepare for the coming of a new pastor, it is imperative that we use the worship book that our candidate may be using in his or her parish. You can obtain an envelope in the Narthex or vestibule to make a contribution of one or more hymnals in honor of or in memory of a loved one. The cost is \$25.00 per hymnal. Please mark your envelope as to how you wish the book plate to be printed in the hymnal(s) that you sponsor.

APRIL 14 through APRIL 21

- Sun 4/14 11:30 AM Rehearsal (Maundy Thursday participants)
6:00 PM Coffee served
6:30 PM Second Sunday Coffee House worship service
8:00 PM AA meeting
- Mon 4/15 5:00 PM Sanctuary in use
5:30 PM Exercise class
7:00 PM Exeter Community Chorus
8:00 PM AA meeting
- Tue 4/16 10:00 AM Bible Fellowship/Action Team
- Wed 4/17 1:00 PM Exeter Senior Citizens
5:30 PM Exercise class
6:00 PM Weight Watchers meeting
- Thu 4/18 6:00 PM Girl Scout troop #1909
7:30 PM Maundy Thursday worship service with Holy Comm.
- Fri 4/19 7:30 PM Good Friday Service
- Sat 4/20 8:00 AM Exercise class
9:00 AM Easter decorating
10:00 AM Easter Egg Hunt
- Sun 4/21 8:00 AM Easter Worship Service with Holy Communion
9:00 AM Easter Breakfast
NO Sunday School
10:30 AM Easter Worship Service with Holy Communion
8:00 PM AA Meeting

SERVING AT WORSHIP

Assisting Minister Russ Frey
Usher Team Captain. Walt Smithson
Crucifer Tony D'Angelo
Acolytes. Cody Morgan and Charlie Brumbaugh
Carillonneur Judy Ney
Communion Assistants. Russ Frey, Greg Pomian, Denton Quick, Ginni Frey
Greeters Kurt and Jan Krommes
Nursery Attendant Sarah Gibson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **altar flowers** are presented to the glory of God and sponsored 1) by Barry and Ruth Hoover in honor of Nancy Jane's and John Gibson's birthdays, and 2) by Susan and David Johns in praise and thanksgiving for their granddaughter, Emma.

The **bulletins** are presented to the glory of God and sponsored 1) by Dori Russo in honor of Rita Seidel's birthday, and 2) by Walt Smithson in honor of Janice's birthday.

The **communion wine** is sponsored by Gwen Kauwell in memory of her husband.

NEEDED! **Altar flower sponsors** (\$21) are needed for April 28. **Bulletin sponsors** (\$14) are needed for April 18, 19, 21 and 28. Please use the sign-up sheets in the Narthex.

CASH FOR CAUSES—The Redner's and Giant gift cards will be available for purchase in the Narthex after worship today. Please see Sue Bryant.



Schwarzwald Annual Easter Egg Hunt!
Saturday, April 20, 10:00 AM, rain or shine.
Come join the fun - and bring a friend!

Please Note: There is NO SUNDAY SCHOOL on Easter Sunday, but all are encouraged to come between the worship services to the continental breakfast in Fellowship Hall.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Delegates are needed to attend the Synod Assembly on Saturday, June 1, at Genetti Inn and Suites in Hazleton. All fees will be paid by SLC. If you are interested in attending, please call the church office.

ATTENTION GRADUATES

We will be recognizing graduates on Sunday, June 9. If you will be graduating (high school, college, trade school), please call the church office with your name, where you are graduating from, and your future plans.

PSALM 31:9-16 (read responsively)

⁹Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress;
my eye wastes away from grief,
my soul and body also.

¹⁰**For my life is spent with sorrow,
and my years with sighing;
my strength fails because of my misery,
and my bones waste away.**

¹¹I am the scorn of all my adversaries,
a horror to my neighbors,
an object of dread to my acquaintances;
those who see me in the street flee from me.

¹²**I have passed out of mind like one who is dead;
I have become like a broken vessel.**

¹³For I hear the whispering of many —
terror all around! —
as they scheme together against me,
as they plot to take my life.

¹⁴**But I trust in you, O LORD;
I say, "You are my God."**

¹⁵My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

¹⁶**Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love.**

SECOND LESSON, Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please remain seated.

LENTEN VERSE

C **Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.**

P The Passion of Our Lord according to Luke.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

HOLY GOSPEL, Luke 22:1—23:56 (please see booklet)

Jesus Russ Frey
Peter Mark Hoover
Centurion Mike Gumpert
Servant Peg Gumpert
Witness Ginni Frey
Pilate Barry Hoover
1st Criminal Tony D' Angelo
2nd Criminal . . . Rochelle Chelius
Narrator Pastor Simmons

P The Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY, There Is a Green Hill Far Away
LBW #114 (please use green hymnal)

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**
**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**
Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Trusting in Christ's passover from death to new life,
we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

After each petition of the prayers:
A Hear us, O God.
C **Your mercy is great.**

When given the bread, the Pastor will say:
The body of Christ, given for you.

Each person may respond: Amen.

Then proceed to the communion assistant, staying on the same side as you are seated in the church, to receive the wine. For those who would prefer not to have wine, pre-filled cups of grape juice are available at the top of the steps on each side in silver trays.

When given the cup, the communion assistant will say:
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Each person may respond: Amen.

If you wish to stay and reflect at the Altar, please move down the altar rail to allow others to receive Communion. Please return to your seat by way of the side aisle. (Communion cards will only be used on Easter, Pentecost, Reformation, and Christmas.)

Please stand.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P Tender and merciful one, at your feast, you fed us who brought nothing, turning our emptiness into joy. Filled with your abundant grace, send us now to be ministers of reconciliation, mending broken hearts, working for justice, and striving for peace among all people, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

BLESSING

P God, who fills the creation with abundance, Christ, who spreads his arms in forgiveness, Holy Spirit, who draws ever near to us, ✠ bless you and bring you to life everlasting.

C **Amen.**

SENDING SONG, Go to Dark Gethsemane
LBW #109 stanzas 1, 2 and 3 (please use green hymnal)

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE, Fling Wide the Gates Stainer

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.

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

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please be seated.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

(Continuous Communion)

We invite all baptized Christians to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Those not communing are invited to come forward for a blessing. Please come forward by way of the center aisle and take a cup from the tray. Approach the Pastor to receive the bread. Gluten-free wafers are available from the communion assistant who is standing behind the Pastor. If you are unable to come to the altar for communion, the Pastor will bring communion to you in your pew.

Members:

Connie Brewer	Zena Burkert	June Collison
Delores Conrad	Diane Dinkelocker	Emmy Faber
Janet Griesemer	Marcia Holbrook	Steph Kohler
Penny Kroznuski	Cynthia Lott	Steve Marquard
Judi Merkel	Joann Rosales	Katie Rosales
Noelle Rutherford	Jeremy Schaeffer	Bob Schmehl
Ron Slepecki	Geraldine Wagner	

Family, friends and loved ones:

Julianne Arnold	Justin Baylor	Marilyn Becker
Jeannie Crass	Linda Dean	Virginia Diehl
Jon Dillon	Bob Dries	Breanna Elison
Larry Galloway	Pearl Garman	Donald Gotshall
Emma Herb	Wilbur Herb	Elaine Lutz
Patsy Pierce	Joe Plank	Lucile Reynolds
Bob Rutherford	Dick Sassaman	Elisabeth Scollick
Joan Sehl	Gail Sittler	Joseph Smith

The prayers conclude:

P Attend to the needs of the whole world with your saving grace,
 and lead us all into new life;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

SHARING THE PEACE

P The peace of our Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

The minister and congregation greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these words: Peace be with you.

Please be seated.

OFFERING

ANTHEM, *On The Road to Jerusalem* Martin
 Sr. Choir

Please stand.

OFFERTORY

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of

bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
 fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -
 nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble with your
 pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray...Generous God,

C you feed us with the harvest of the land,
 and you provide for our every need.
 Receive our gifts of money, imagination, and labor,
 and transform them into a feast that welcomes all,
 in Jesus Christ, our host and our guest.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
 that we should at all times and in all places
 give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
 through our Savior Jesus Christ,
 whose suffering and death gave salvation to all.
 You gather your people around the tree of the cross,
 transforming death into life.
 And so, with all the choirs of angels,
 with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
 we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na, Ho-
 san-na. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.