

APRIL 13, 2025

PALM SUNDAY

**MISSION STATEMENT: TO BRING PEOPLE TO CHRIST
AND NURTURE THEM IN THE FAITH**



GLOBAL
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PIANIST: DEB MITCHELL

***PLEASE STAND IF ABLE**

PRELUDE DEB MITCHELL

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE TEAM

WE WORSHIP WITH PRAISE

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** BASED ON ZECHARIAH 9:9 AND PSALM 118:26, 28-29

LEADER: REJOICE GREATLY, O PEOPLE OF ZION!
SHOUT IN TRIUMPH, O PEOPLE OF JERUSALEM!
LOOK, YOUR KING IS COMING TO YOU.
HE IS RIGHTEOUS AND VICTORIOUS,
YET HE IS HUMBLE, RIDING ON A DONKEY—
EVEN ON A DONKEY'S COLT.

PEOPLE: BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!

LEADER: YOU ARE OUR GOD, AND WE WILL PRAISE YOU!

PEOPLE: YOU ARE OUR GOD, AND WE WILL EXALT YOU!

LEADER: O GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD.

ALL: HIS FAITHFUL LOVE ENDURES FOREVER!

WE WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER

***OPENING PRAYER:**

THANK YOU THAT YOUR WAYS ARE FAR GREATER THAN OURS, YOUR
THOUGHTS FAR DEEPER THAN OURS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PLAN OF
REDEMPTION, THAT YOU MAKE ALL THINGS NEW. THANK YOU THAT YOUR FACE IS
TOWARD THE RIGHTEOUS, THAT YOU HEAR OUR PRAYERS AND KNOW OUR HEARTS.
HELP US TO STAY STRONG AND TRUE TO YOU. HELP US NOT TO FOLLOW AFTER THE
VOICE OF THE CROWDS BUT TO PRESS IN CLOSE TO YOU, TO HEAR YOUR WHISPERS,
AND SEEK AFTER YOU ALONE.

WE PRAISE YOU AND BLESS YOU, LORD! THANK YOU THAT YOU REIGN
SUPREME AND THAT WE ARE MORE THAN CONQUERORS THROUGH JESUS CHRIST
OUR LORD!

IN THE MIGHTY NAME OF JESUS, AMEN.

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN. . . . “HOSANNA, LOUD HOSANNA” HYMNAL #227
(THE CHILDREN WILL PROCESS WITH PALM BRANCHES)

SSNOW KIDS

PRAYER CHORUS. “I LOVE YOU LORD” TFWS #2068

PASTORAL PRAYER / THE LORD’S PRAYER

WE WORSHIP WITH OUR GIFTS

Offering plates will be at both doors as you enter or leave and will not be passed.

***DOXOLOGY**

WE WORSHIP AS WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

ZECHARIAH 9:9, 14:1-5; REVELATION 19:11-16; LUKE 19:37-41 (NIV)

THE COMING OF ZION’S KING (ZECHARIAH 9:9)

⁹ REJOICE GREATLY, DAUGHTER ZION!

SHOUT, DAUGHTER JERUSALEM!

SEE, YOUR KING COMES TO YOU,

RIGHTEOUS AND VICTORIOUS,

LOWLY AND RIDING ON A DONKEY,

ON A COLT, THE FOAL OF A DONKEY.

THE LORD COMES AND REIGNS (ZECHARIAH 14:1-5)

14 A DAY OF THE LORD IS COMING, JERUSALEM, WHEN YOUR POSSESSIONS WILL BE PLUNDERED AND DIVIDED UP WITHIN YOUR VERY WALLS.

² I WILL GATHER ALL THE NATIONS TO JERUSALEM TO FIGHT AGAINST IT; THE CITY WILL BE CAPTURED, THE HOUSES RANSACKED, AND THE WOMEN RAPED. HALF OF THE CITY WILL GO INTO EXILE, BUT THE REST OF THE PEOPLE WILL NOT BE TAKEN FROM THE CITY. ³ THEN THE LORD WILL GO OUT AND FIGHT AGAINST THOSE NATIONS, AS HE FIGHTS ON A DAY OF BATTLE. ⁴ ON THAT DAY HIS FEET WILL STAND ON THE MOUNT OF OLIVES, EAST OF JERUSALEM, AND THE MOUNT OF OLIVES WILL BE SPLIT IN TWO FROM EAST TO WEST, FORMING A GREAT VALLEY, WITH HALF OF THE MOUNTAIN MOVING NORTH AND HALF MOVING SOUTH. ⁵ YOU WILL FLEE BY MY MOUNTAIN VALLEY, FOR IT WILL EXTEND TO AZEL. YOU WILL FLEE AS YOU FLED FROM THE EARTHQUAKE IN THE DAYS OF UZZIAH KING OF JUDAH. THEN THE LORD MY GOD WILL COME, AND ALL THE HOLY ONES WITH HIM.

THE HEAVENLY WARRIOR DEFEATS THE BEAST (REVELATION 19:11-16)

¹¹ I SAW HEAVEN STANDING OPEN AND THERE BEFORE ME WAS A WHITE HORSE, WHOSE RIDER IS CALLED FAITHFUL AND TRUE. WITH JUSTICE HE JUDGES AND WAGES WAR. ¹² HIS EYES ARE LIKE BLAZING FIRE, AND ON HIS HEAD ARE MANY CROWNS. HE HAS A NAME WRITTEN ON HIM THAT NO ONE KNOWS BUT HE HIMSELF. ¹³ HE IS DRESSED IN A ROBE DIPPED IN BLOOD, AND HIS NAME IS THE WORD OF GOD. ¹⁴ THE ARMIES OF HEAVEN WERE FOLLOWING HIM, RIDING ON WHITE HORSES AND DRESSED IN FINE LINEN, WHITE AND CLEAN. ¹⁵ COMING OUT OF HIS MOUTH IS A SHARP SWORD WITH WHICH TO STRIKE DOWN THE NATIONS. "HE WILL RULE THEM WITH AN IRON SCEPTER." HE TREADS THE WINEPRESS OF THE FURY OF THE WRATH OF GOD ALMIGHTY. ¹⁶ ON HIS ROBE AND ON HIS THIGH HE HAS THIS NAME WRITTEN: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

LUKE 19:37-41

³⁷ WHEN HE CAME NEAR THE PLACE WHERE THE ROAD GOES DOWN THE MOUNT OF OLIVES, THE WHOLE CROWD OF DISCIPLES BEGAN JOYFULLY TO PRAISE GOD IN LOUD VOICES FOR ALL THE MIRACLES THEY HAD SEEN:

³⁸ "BLESSED IS THE KING WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!"

"PEACE IN HEAVEN AND GLORY IN THE HIGHEST!"

³⁹ SOME OF THE PHARISEES IN THE CROWD SAID TO JESUS, "TEACHER, REBUKE YOUR DISCIPLES!"

⁴⁰ "I TELL YOU," HE REPLIED, "IF THEY KEEP QUIET, THE STONES WILL CRY OUT."

⁴¹ AS HE APPROACHED JERUSALEM AND SAW THE CITY, HE WEPT OVER IT

SERMON:

"HOSANNA IN JERUSALEM, MAXWELL, AND THE NEW JERUSALEM"PASTOR ROB BACON

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN. "SOON AND VERY SOON"HYMNAL #629

BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE.DEB MITCHELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS** : BY APPOINTMENT. ROB'S NUMBER 515-460-8885; CAROL'S NUMBER 515-460-8969
- **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**: PLEASE FORWARD BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS TO OFFICE@MAXWELLMC.ORG BY WEDNESDAY. THE BULLETIN IS POSTED ON THE CHURCH'S WEBSITE [HTTPS://WWW.MAXWELLMC.ORG](https://WWW.MAXWELLMC.ORG) UNDER THE BULLETINS TAB.
- **FELLOWSHIP SIGN-UP**: PLEASE BE SURE TO SIGN UP TO BRING REFRESHMENTS FOR FELLOWSHIP TIME.
- **APRIL 13**: 5:15 – 7:00 PM YOUTH GROUP
- **APRIL 17**: MAUNDY THURSDAY
- **APRIL 18**: GOOD FRIDAY
- **APRIL 20**: EASTER SUNDAY
- **APRIL 27**: TBD YOUTH GROUP
- **BIBLE STUDY**: WILL BEGIN APRIL 27 AFTER CHURCH. MAX LUCADO'S "*WHAT HAPPENS NEXT*." IF YOU HAVE NOT PICKED UP THE STUDY BOOK, SEE PASTOR ROB. BOOKS ARE \$15.

ATTENTION! CALENDARIZE PLEASE!

THE PARSONAGE WILL BE GETTING NEW TENANTS COME JULY OR AUGUST (LIKELY AUGUST). LOTS OF HELP WILL BE NEEDED PREPPING THE PARSONAGE ONCE OUR CURRENT TENANTS MOVE OUT BY JUNE 30TH.

WOULD YOU PLEASE CALENDARIZE THE WEEKENDS OF JULY 5TH AND 6TH, 12TH AND 13TH AND THE 19TH AND 20TH TO HELP WITH CLEANING UP, PAINTING, AND REPAIRS? THOUGH I'M RETIRED AND WILL BE SPENDING A LOT OF JULY DOING THIS WORK LIKELY BY MYSELF DURING THE WEEK, I DO HAVE A LIFE, TOO, AND WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE EVERYONE/ANYONE'S HELP DURING THAT MONTH UNTIL WE GET IT READY TO SHOW AND READY FOR A NEW TENANT TO MOVE IN. WHEN YOU COME TO HELP, FEEL FREE TO BRING ANY CLEANING/PAINTING SUPPLIES YOU MIGHT HAVE - OTHERWISE, WE'LL HAVE TO PURCHASE WHAT WE NEED FROM DOLLAR GENERAL. I HOPE TO HAVE THE PAINT READY AND ON HAND. AND IF YOU DON'T HAVE A KEY BUT WANT TO WORK DURING THE WEEK, INCLUDING ANY EVENING, LET ME KNOW AND IF I'M NOT THERE, I'LL GET YOU A KEY (MAYBE EVEN JUST HIDE ONE AND TELL EVERYONE WHERE IT IS?).

RICH WEHRMAN