

TRADITIONAL SERVICE OF WORSHIP

4th Sunday of Lent

March 11, 2018 11:00 A. M.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE: J. S. Bach
Have mercy on me, O God

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:
(Worshippers are asked to sign the registration pads located in the pews.)

INTROIT

*HYMN: No. 577
God of Grace and God of Glory

*CALL TO WORSHIP
(please respond by reading the bold text)

We come to worship this morning from different places.

O God, do not be far from us.

We come to worship this morning for different reasons.

O God, do not be far from us.

We experience the presence of the Spirit in different ways.

O God, do not be far from us.

We hear Jesus' words with different ears.

O God, do not be far from us.

"Deny yourselves."

O God, do not be far from us.

"Take up your cross."

O God, do not be far from us.

"Follow me."

**O God, we thank you for drawing near to us
in this place, in our lives. Amen.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE/CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

ANTHEM Larson
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent
Chancel Ringers

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 22: 1-5, 18-24
LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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, for ever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS:
As forgiven and reconciled people, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Lantz
My Dying Lord
Chancel Choir

*DOXOLOGY: No. 95
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

*HYMN OF ILLUMINATION No. 288
Were You There?
Verses 1-3

SERMON: Rev. Emily Knight
"The Cry of the Forsaken"
Mark 15:1-15, 25-34

*HYMN OF DEDICATION: No. 359
Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

*THE BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE *(Please be seated)*

POSTLUDE

*CONGREGATION PLEASE STAND

AUDIO ASSISTANCE DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE. Ask an usher if you would like to use one.

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

LITURGIST: Clark Burner HEAD USHER: Gordon Middleton
USHER TEAM 1: Mark Cashen, Bill Hodges, David Middleton, and Shirley Davis

CRUCIFER: Jacob Mardini

ACOLYTES: Anthony Strong and Cooper Crowell

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given in memory of Vernon Rhames by Dorsey-Ann Rhames.

ATTENDANCE SUNDAY – March 4, 2018

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE	118
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE	82
TOTAL SUNDAY WORSHIP	200
SALTY SERVANTS	32
NURSERY	11
SUNDAY SCHOOL/SMALL GROUPS	55

This Week's Schedule of Events

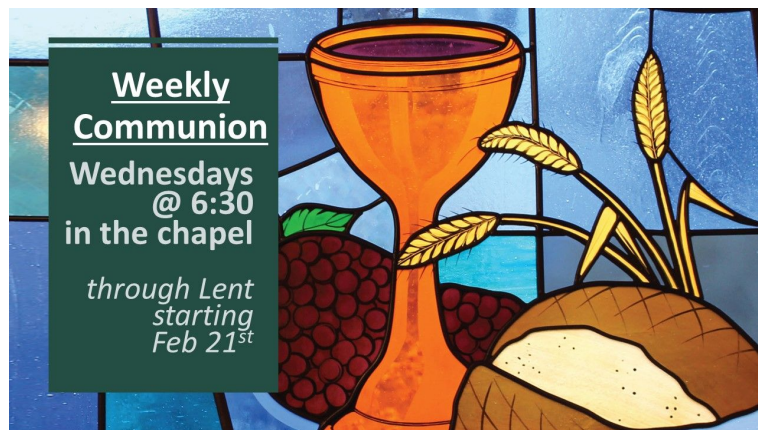
<u>TODAY</u>	<u>MARCH 11, 2018</u>
9:00 a.m.	CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
10:10 a.m.	SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES (McCord and Children's Buildings)
11:00 a.m.	TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE
12:15 p.m.	NURTURE COMMITTEE MEETING
12:15 p.m.	OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETING
4:45 p.m.	UMYF/YOUTH GROUP (Fellowship Hall)
5:00 p.m.	CHANCEL RINGERS (Room 201)
<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>MARCH 12, 2018</u>
6:00 p.m.	SPPR COMMITTEE MEETING (Library)
<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>MARCH 13, 2018</u>
6:00 p.m.	BOARD OF TRUSTEES (Library)
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>MARCH 14, 2018</u>
5:00 p.m.	REGISTRATION NIGHT FOR COMMUNITY CLASSES
5:30 p.m.	WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 p.m.	PRAISE TEAM (Sanctuary)
6:30 p.m.	LENTEN COMMUNION (Chapel)
7:30 p.m.	CHANCEL CHOIR (Room 501)
<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>MARCH 16, 2018</u>
9:00 a.m.	THE LIFE CENTER
12:15 p.m.	YOGA (Parlor)



During this Holy season of Lent, (the forty days leading up to Easter) we are listening to each of the "seven last words" that Jesus spoke from the cross.

THIS WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S DINNER:
Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Salad Bar, Ice Cream
Served at 5:30 pm. \$6 Adults; \$3 Children.

COMMUNITY CLASSES AT RIVERSIDE PARK: Registration is now available online at riversideparkumc.com/ministry/community-classes. We have some new classes and some old favorites. Register by March 14th and receive an Early Bird Discount. Classes begin April 4th.



United Methodist Children's Home Day on Campus: March 17, 2018

Day On Campus includes tours of the Enterprise campus, resident testimonies, a picnic lunch and wonderful fellowship with others from across the state. We are hoping to get a carpool together. RSVP to the church office by Thursday, March 1st.

Holy Week 2018

Saturday, March 24th—Easter Egg Hunt 10am-noon in the park

Sunday, March 25th—Palm Sunday—ONE combined service at 10:30 am followed by the "Lay Appreciation Luncheon"

Thursday, March 29th—Maundy Thursday Service @ 6:30 pm

Friday, March 30th—Good Friday—Experiential, participatory stations walk you through Jesus' experience on the cross. Open 9am to 8pm

Sunday April 1st—Easter—9am contemporary and 11am traditional worship. Invite friends and neighbors!

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Gather with Songs of Praise

Open the Eyes of My Heart - Michael W Smith

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture: Psalm 22: 1-5, 18-24

Lead Me to the Cross - Hillsong Worship

Give Me Faith - Elevation Worship

Greet/Share Peace

Children's Message

Following the children's message, all kids in Pre-K4 through 5th grade are invited to RiverKids:Worship in Room 311.

Pray for Each Other and the World

Offer Gifts to God

During the song, you are invited to place an offering in one of the baskets in the aisle or near the front altar

I Am Not Alone - Kari Jobe

Proclaim God's Word: Mark 15:1-15, 25-27, 33-34

"The Cry of the Forsaken"

~ Rev. Emily Knight

Sending

I Surrender - Hillsong

Especially if this is your first Sunday, Welcome!

- We have gifts for first-time guests at the table in the back of the sanctuary
- Children are welcome to stay in worship, but our nursery is also open for the littlest ones (please ask. we'll help you get there) We also offer special Sunday morning opportunities for children to worship and learn.
- We 'set the table' at the beginning of worship by carrying forward symbols of our faith: a cross, light, a bible, and baptism water. If you want to help with this, (especially

children) look for Miss Sarah at the sanctuary entrance. right before the service begins--all are welcome to help!

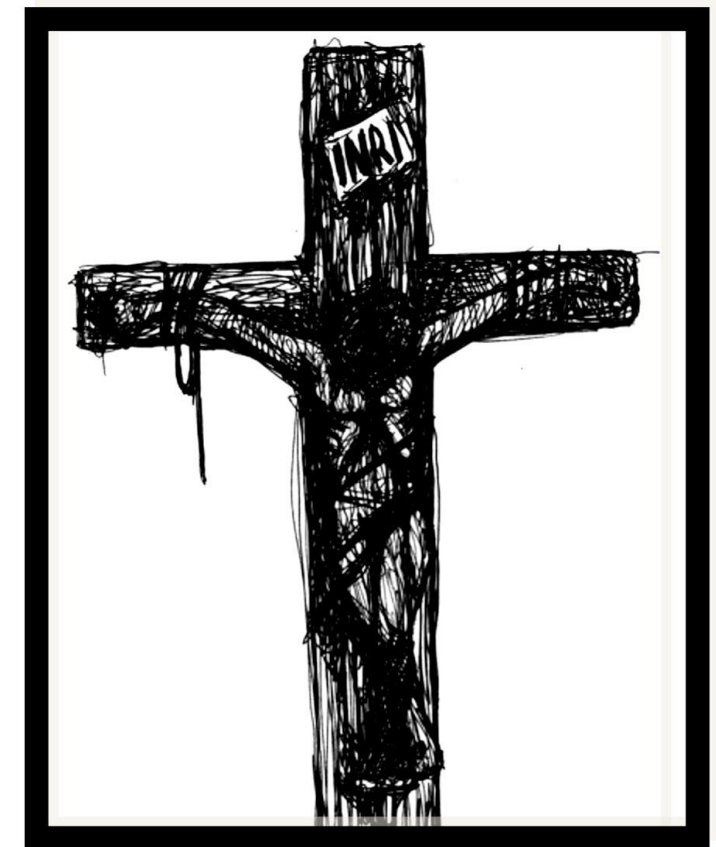


RIVERSIDE PARK

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"Empowering others to live life abundantly."

Fourth Word from the Cross



*"Eloi, Eloi, lama sabathani?
My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" —Mark 15:34*

Welcome to Riverside Park United Methodist Church where our mission is *to empower others to live life and live it abundantly in Christ.* (from John 10:10)

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