ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

Anthem The Lamb
Gerald Patrick Coleman, arr. Hansen/Behnke

Doxology (sung)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

HEARING THE WORD

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Hymn 198 v. 1 Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!
Children's Anthem Hosanna! Hosanna! Cathy Townley
Hymn 198 v. 2 Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 50: 4-9a OT(p. 640)

NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 2: 5-11 NT (p. 186)

ANTHEM O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded David Hurd

SERMON One in a Crowd Sarah L. Hill

A TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION [A time to reflect upon the implications of scripture and sermon for your life.]

♦ HYMN 160

A Stable Lamp is Lighted

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH [An expression of our common hope and purpose.]

Affirmation in Words (unison) Confession of 1967 [9.15]

We acknowledge that God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of human minds. We ascribe to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But in Jesus Christ God reveals love by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful people. The power of God's love in Christ transforms the world and discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.

Affirmation in Song

HYMN 582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

♦ HYMN 209

My Song is Love Unknown

- BLESSING IN WORD [A departing blessing]
- † CHORAL RESPONSE

Hosanna to the Son of David Noel Rawsthorne

BLESSING IN MUSIC [You are encouraged to greet one another, sharing the peace of Christ, or to remain seated and allow the music to aid you in fashioning some final prayers.]

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended William McCorkle

All are invited and encouraged to attend Coffee Fellowship in Brady Chapel.

♦ You may stand in body and/or spirit

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

The **palm** is given to the glory of God in celebration of Palm Sunday.

This morning we are pleased to receive into the **membership** by reaffirmation of faith - Florence Kim, Laura & Jim Squire and their sons, Kevin and Ryan.

Music at Noon - On April 17, organist William McCorkle will offer a program entitled "Meditations for Holy Week," including organ works by a number of composers, and some improvisations.

Maundy Thursday (April 18th) Seder Meal - Seder is the traditional Passover meal that has been celebrated by the Hebrew people since the Exodus. By the time our Seder concludes we will know the meaning of matzah, the children will have searched for afikomen, and we will have enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by our own chef, Skip Hess and his kitchen helpers. Dunlap Auditorium, 5:30pm, \$6 per person, or \$16 per family. RSVP by Tuesday, April 16 to the church office, 464-3873, email admin@lexpres.org, All are welcome—please invite friends/family.

Note the earlier start time: 5:30pm. Don't be late!

Easter Egg Hunt This Saturday - The annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place at Tim and Kara Braddick's home-10 Evergreen Tree Dr. in Lexington-on Saturday, April 20th, at 11:00am (lunch provided after the egg hunt). Bring a basket, a friend and your appetite for Easter goodies!

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering - This Easter we celebrate the 70th anniversary of the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. Since its inception, One Great Hour of Sharing has provided relief from the effects of disaster, violence and/or severe economic deprivation in places such as South Sudan, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, and even right in our backyard in South Carolina. Everything collected by our church is sent to the Presbyterian Mission Agency, which distributes it among the denomination's hunger program (36%), disaster assistance (32%) and programs for the self-development of people (32%). Your contribution matters, please join us on Easter Sunday in this special offering.

Community Table Desserts: <u>April 22nd</u> – Cherry Dump Cake: Sign up on the sheet outside the church office, email or call Mary Beth Baker (mbbaker35@yahoo.com or 463-9563). You may leave dessert Sunday afternoon or Monday morning in the Brady Kitchenette. Desserts will be picked up at 2pm on Monday and delivered to The Community Table. Thank you!

Directory Deadline—Submit photographs for our new directory <u>by April 30</u>. You may submit a photo by email to kkennedy@lexpres.org or drop a photo by the office to be copied. You may also call the office to arrange to have a photo taken. A draft copy of the directory is in Room 111 (Library). Please mark any changes in red pen.

Educational Assistance Grants Available—Instructions for submitting an application and the grant application form can be found under the "Learn" tab on our LPC website: www.lexpres.org. These grants are not limited to college; they can also be used for vocational/technical schools, graduate or professional programs, or other specialized training. All applications for the Educational Grants are *due in the church office by May 1*.

RARA Pantry Item of the Month (April): Peanut Butter and Jelly.

MAUNDY THURSDAY OBSERVANCE

April 18, 5:30-7:30

A traditional Passover meal, followed by communion.

EASTER

April 21

7 a.m., Sunrise Service at Manly Memorial 8:45 and 11, Easter Worship here in the Sanctuary

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR HOLY WEEK

TODAY	9:00 9:30 9:45 11:00	Palm Sunday Youth Choirs Palm Sunday Parade @ Hopkins Green Hot Cross Buns in Brady Chapel Traditional Worship
	12:00 5:30	Handbells Youth Group
MON (4/15)		May Newsletter Info Due to Front Office
TUES (4/16)	10:00 5:30	Lectio Divina Property Committee
WEDS (4/17)	9:00 12:00 4:30	Indoor Farmer's Market Music at Noon Outreach Committee
THURS (4/18)	5:30 7:30	Maundy Thursday Seder Supper & Service Adult Choir Practice
FRI (4/19)	Good	Friday – Sanctuary Open for Prayer/Meditation
SAT (4/20)	11:00	Easter Egg Hunt at the Braddick's Home
SUN (4/21)	7:00 8:45 9:30 9:45 11:00	Easter Sunday – Flowering the Cross One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Sunrise Service/Breakfast at Manly Baptist Easter Worship in the Sanctuary Handbells Rehearsal Sunday School Easter Worship in the Sanctuary
MON (4/22)		Easter Monday – Church Staff Holiday

NURSERY SCHEDULE

The nursery is available from 8:30 a.m. (for Early Worship attendees) until 12:15, after the final worship service.

Music Notes:

<u>Handbell Music</u>: The **prelude** is an energetic work by Bob Burroughs, composed for handbells in 1984. Burroughs, a native of Tazewell, Virginia has been an active church musician and composer for more than 55 years. The **anthem** presents the well-known contemporary hymn, "The Lamb," by Gerald Patrick Coleman (b. 1953) in a lovely handbell arrangement (2000) by the church musician and professor, John Behnke (b. 1953), and Sheryl Hansen.

<u>Choir Music</u>: The **anthem** at children's time, on texts from Mark, Matthew, and Luke, is a song (1993) by the contemporary Christian musician and worship specialist, Cathy Townley. The text:

Jesus rode into Jerusalem. All the people sang their praise to him.

Came to town upon a donkey's back; seemed so lowly but he's Lord in fact.

Everybody brought their hopes and dreams. Life just isn't always what it seems.

Need somebody who can help us be liberated from captivity.

Hosanna! Hear the people say Hosanna! Save us today, Hosanna!

It's a faithful song. Hosanna! Sing it all day long!

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The **anthem** before the sermon is a setting of the well-known Passion hymn text "O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded." The German poet/pastor, Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676), translated of a medieval Latin poem on the Passion of Christ into German. The choir sings two stanzas of the English translation by the poet, Robert Bridges (1844-1930), which opens "O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded." Today's extraordinary jazz-like setting is by the American liturgical musician, David Hurd (b. 1950), who also composed the music for the congregational hymn following today's sermon. The choir's text:

O sacred head sore wounded, defiled and put to scorn. O kingly head surrounded

with mocking crown of thorn: what sorrow mars thy grandeur? Can death thy

deflower? O countenance whose splendor the hosts of heaven adore. In thy most bitter passion my heart to share doth cry, with thee for my salvation upon the cross to die. Ah, keep my heart thus moved to stand thy cross beneath, to mourn thee, well –beloved, yet thank thee for thy death.

The closing **choral response** is a setting of Matthew 21:9 by the British musician, Noel Rawsthorne (1929-2019), celebrated organist, teacher, and composer in Liverpool. The choir's text:

Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna. Blessed I he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

<u>Congregational Hymns</u>: The opening processional hymn is "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" by the English writer, Jennette Threlfall (1821-1880). The tune ("Ellacombe") is derived from an 18th-century German melody. The choir's descant is by William McCorkle. The procession continues with the singing of "All Glory, Laud, and Honor," John Mason Neale's well-known translation of a text by Theodulph of Orleans (c.1750-1821), on a tune by the German pastor, Melchior Teschner (1584-1635). The choir's descant is by Lois Fyfe. "A Stable Lamp Is Lighted," one of the greatest hymns of the twentieth century, features an exceptional text by the great poet, Richard Wilbur (b. 1921), which draws together the mystery of the Incarnation and the Passion of Christ.. The wonderful melody is one of the finest compositions of David Hurd (b. 1950), one of the greatest American liturgical musicians. The text of "My Song Is Love Unknown," by the respected English poet, Samuel Crossman (1624-1683/4), is widely regarded in hymn writing circles as one of the most perfect hymns in existence. We sing a tune created for Crossman's words by the English organist/composer, John Ireland (1879-1962). The choir's descant is by William McCorkle.

<u>Organ Music</u>: The **postlude** is a spontaneous reflection on the melody of a great Reformation hymn meditation on the Passion of Christ. (See **Hymn 218**.)



Bring your favorite spring flowers for flowering the cross on Easter Sunday, April 21. Informal and Traditional Worship will be held in the sanctuary that day.



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY 14 April 2019 11:00 AM

Please turn off cell phones and other electronic devices before worship begins.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

MUSIC OF PREPARATION Festive Melody Bob Burroughs

CALL TO WORSHIP

Luke 19: 28-40

PROCESSIONAL

HYMN 196

♦ HYMN 197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna All Glory, Laud, and Honor

WELCOME

MORNING PRAYER

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

A TIME OF CONFESSION

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of heaven and earth, we give you thanks for sending us Jesus Christ in your name. Even though we profess to follow him, we confess that in times of trial we too often deny him. Forgive us and heal us, we pray. Help us to put our faith not in the princes of this world, but only in the Prince of Peace. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response (responsive)

We are washed in the waters of God's grace.

Thanks be to God.

The Peace (responsive)

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.