

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA
11 AM Morning Worship – April 14, 2019
Palm/Passion Sunday**

Good Morning! Welcome as we celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem and approach Holy Week by remembering his betrayal, arrest and crucifixion at the end of our service today.

PRELUDE

*** Processional Hymn of Praise Hosanna, Loud Hosanna!
#248 Blue Hymnal**

**WELCOME - LIFE IN THE CHURCH
Announcements & Concerns**

CALL TO WORSHIP A Reading of Luke 19:28-40

GATHERING PRAYER: in unison

We praise you, O God, for your redemption of the world through Jesus Christ, who entered the Holy City of Jerusalem in triumph and was proclaimed Messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Let these branches be signs of his victory, and grant that we who carry them may follow him in the way of the cross, that dying and rising with him, we may enter into your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

***Song to Glorify God**

**All Glory Laud and Honor
#249 Blue Hymnal**

Leader: Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! (Luke 19:38)

People: Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!

ANTHEM

All In an April Evening

CHILDRENS SERMON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

First Reading Isaiah 50:4-9a – Page 680

Psalm Psalm 31:9-16 – Page 506

Second Reading Philipians 2:5-11 – Page 197

Gospel Reading Luke 23:1-49 – Page 88

MEDITATION

**Elation, Betrayal, Death, ?
The Rev. Sarah A. Kneier**

***AN AFFIRMATION OF CHRISTIAN FAITH**

Apostles Creed (words on pew cards)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(please greet your neighbor at the conclusion of the greeting)

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

382 Blue Hymnal

COMMUNION

RESPONSIVE PRAYER ON CHRIST'S PASSION – See insert

Song of Response

**Were You There?
#287 Blue Hymnal**

(After singing this hymn, items are stripped from the church. Please remain standing as able and silent until all items have been removed, and the procession has gone out.)

A TIME OF SILENCE

In honor of Christ's passion, there is no postlude today. Please proceed from the sanctuary in silence when you feel moved to do so.

Next week is Easter! Please join us as we celebrate the resurrection of our Savior!

***standing in mind, body or in spirit**



**First Presbyterian Church
7 Marietta Avenue
Mount Joy PA 17552**

“A Friendly, Caring Church”

A Responsive Prayer on Christ's Passion

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Leader: Eternal God, we are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ, so give us the grace of repentance that we may pass through the grave with him and be borne again to eternal life. For he is the One who was crucified, dead, and buried, and rose again for us, Jesus our Savior. Amen.

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MISSION: “The energy of the Holy Spirit equips us to reach out joyfully in Jesus’ name to meet human needs in the community and in the world.

VISION: “We will nurture people physically and spiritually, showing them the transforming love and grace of Jesus Christ.

Minister
Director of Music
Organist Emeritus
Administrative Assistant
Treasurer
Elders
Barbara O’Neal/Marilyn Pomroy
Joy Bouchard
Marilyn Pomroy
Meagan Nolt
Tom Paul
Sandy Homsher
Barbara O’Neal
Deacons
Nancy Duquette
Lonnie Nolt
Dee Albert
Kari Nolt
Laura Weber
Karen Paul

Rev. Sarah A. Kneier
Rebecca Lauver
Mary Ann Ober
Barbara O’Neal
Deborah Hoffman

Music and Worship
Christian Education & Nurture
Stewardship & Finance
Membership & Mission
Property
Fellowship
Clerk of Session

Moderator, Ushers, Prayer
Flowers, Food Bank
Transportation
Secretary, Nursery
Treasurer, Contacts
Cards, Coffee Hour

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The First Presbyterian Church of Mount Joy was organized on December 1, 1839 but began holding services in the Mount Joy vicinity as early as 1746. This church is a thoroughly evangelical church in the historic sense of that word and our basic purposes are to bring people to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, to build them in the Christian faith and life, and to enlarge missionary participation to the extent that all may come to hear of and believe in Christ Jesus as Lord and Savior. Friend and stranger, to such a church as this you are welcome.

NEWS OF THE WEEK
ASK US/TELL US/GIVE US GOOD NEWS
April 14, 2019

INSERTS

Prayer List
A Responsive Prayer on Christ’s Passion

URGENT REQUEST FROM PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Several times in the last month the doors to the church have been found unlocked. Please be sure to turn the key back to the left when you open the door. If it’s not turned back to the left, it is still unlocked.

PASTOR SARAH’S EMAIL – sarahfpmj@gmail.com

Send an email to her address above in order to receive information about presbytery, member news, and important announcements.

PARISH RESOURCE CENTER

WE CONTINUE TO POST THE INFORMATION, EVENTS, CLASSES FROM THE PARISH RESOURCE CENTER. PLEASE CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARDS FOR UPDATES.

FLOWERS FOR THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Flowers are supplied by our members. The price for flowers is \$40 for two bouquets to use for the Sunday service. There are also artificial flowers that have been made by Gail Mason. If you would prefer to use those, they are available at no cost. Please contact Lonnie Nolt at larrynolt@comcast.net or 717-278-5475

**LOOKING FOR ELDER COMMISSIONERS
FOR PRESBYTERY MEETINGS**

Pastor Sarah is looking for people who are ordained elders to attend the Presbytery meetings to represent our church. Please let her know if you would be willing to attend.

OUR CONTINUED CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to Darlene Henly and her family. Robert Henly was a long time and well-loved member of our church. He died on January 17th. A memorial service was held on January 23rd at Roseboro Stradling Funeral Home in Denver. Darlene's address is listed below. Memorials can be sent to First Presbyterian Church.

DIRECTORY CHANGE

Darlene Henly
40 Freemason Dr., Apt 406
Elizabethtown PA 17022

Kari Nolt
4180 Nolt Rd.
Mount Joy, PA 17552

NURSERY AND CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Anyone who works with children in our church must complete forms to comply with Child Protection Laws. Please see an Elder or Deacon if you have any questions or need paperwork.



CHURCH CALENDAR

AA meets every Wednesday at 8:00 in the Thrift Store

Adult Bible Study at 9:45 in Fellowship Hall on Sunday

Girl Scouts – 6:30 – 8:30 m – Third Sunday of each month

Faith Homes of Donegal – 6:30 - First Monday of each month

Today – Palm Sunday

April 17 – Neighbors Connect – Peg Hamm (EMA Mount Joy)

April 19 – Good Friday
Second Chances closed Friday and Saturday

April 21 – Easter Sunday

April 28 – Coffee Hour
Hosts: Tom and Karen Paul
Cookies: Lonnie Nolt and Laura Weber

May 3 – Senior Breakfast – Donegal High School Cafeteria – 8:30 am
Call Stephanie Manuel at 717-492-1302 to RSVP (required)
See advertisement on the bulletin board

May 7 – Deacons meet at 12:00 pm

May 19 – Session meets at 12:30 pm

LENTEN LUNCH

April 17

**Florin Church of the Brethren
Meditation by local Ministers
Lunch is Free – 12:00 pm**

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