

Holy Week at Home

First Presbyterian Church

Holy Week and Easter 2020 will be different than any other in our lifetimes. These resources are designed so that our church family will be equipped to observe the most important week of the church year. Even though we will not be able to share many of the traditions to which we look forward each year, we know that God is with us always--especially in times of pain and fear. As we enact the path of Jesus, may this Holy Week be one that guides us toward God's never-ending story of redemption, renewal, and resurrection.



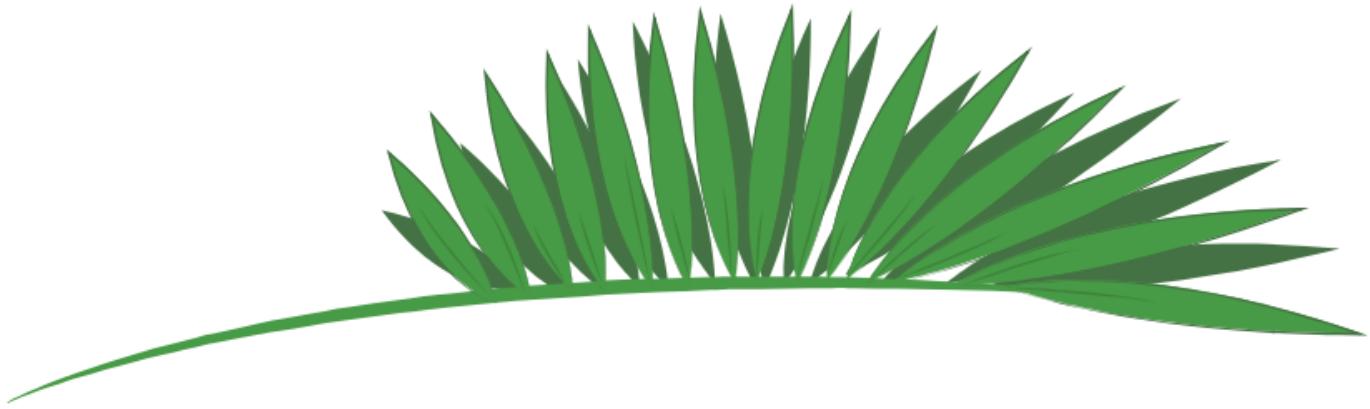
Creating a Sacred Space

It may be helpful for you to set apart a space in your home to help you focus on God's presence during worship, prayer, or quiet reflection. Simple items you already have in and around your home can be added to an arrangement on a table, shelf, or a space on the floor. Bring your sense of creativity to reflect the spirit of you and your family.

Suggested Items:

- Cloth napkin, cloth, or piece of fabric to set apart the space
 - You might use burlap, purple, red, or black during Holy Week
 - Switch to white, gold, or bright colors for Easter
- Candle
- A Cross
- Bible
- A Bowl of Water as a reminder of Baptism
- Prayer Book
- Devotional Materials
- Stones, Seashells, Small Sticks, or Flowers to remind you of nature
- Works of art made by members of your family
- A photo of a favorite place or sacred spot





PALM SUNDAY

Read: Matthew 21:1-11

Listen: Today we remember when Jesus came riding into Jerusalem on a donkey. The people cheered and celebrated by putting palm branches and coats on the road before him.

Do:

Take a Palm Sunday Selfie! Take a photo of yourself or your family waving your palm branches. Post it to social media before worship and be sure to tag the church. We will have a virtual palm parade this year! Need more palms? There is a coloring sheet in this packet and we will post the link to download. You can put your palm leaves in your sacred space or on your door or porch.

Take Part in Online Worship. We will begin at 10:30 on Facebook Live at facebook.com/fpcowensboro. The order of service follows in this packet.

Ask: What do you think it felt like to wave palm branches in front of Jesus that day? What would you shout at Jesus to tell him that you're excited?

PALM SUNDAY

April 5, 2020 10:30 A.M. Facebook Live

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Look! Your King is coming – humble and riding on a donkey.

Hosanna to the Son of David!

Lay your cloaks before him; spread palms to honor him.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Raise your voices. Lift your hearts. Rejoice – our Savior comes!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

*OPENING PRAYER

God of our salvation, we give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who came in your name and turned the lonely way of rejection and death into triumph. Grant us wisdom, in this Lenten journey, to seek your will and walk in your way. Instruct us, inspire us and commission us as your disciples, showing your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

*PALM PARADE (HYMN 196)

All Glory, Laud, and Honor VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

*Refrain: *All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!*

*Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One.* *Refrain

*The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayers and anthems before thee present.* * Refrain

*To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.* * Refrain

*Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King!* * Refrain

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Children: May God be with you in worship there.

Congregation: May God be with you in worship there.

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Wellspring of Salvation, we come with hesitant steps to this Lenten journey. Yet, we come knowing that the time is right to sweep out the corners of our hearts and uncover the ways we have strayed from your truth. In you we find forgiveness and healing; in you we find an invitation to be made whole. Let us pray.

PRAYER OF CONFESSON

God of great mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you. You provide our daily bread; still we hunger for other things. You give your word to guide us; still we surrender to temptation. Forgive us, God of grace. Create a clean heart within us, teach us your holy way, and restore the joy of salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silence is kept for personal prayer

POURING OF THE WATER & DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

* SUNG RESPONSE (HYMN 197) *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

*Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang,
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.*

*“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient son we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer; the Lord od heaven, our King.
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.*

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious and loving God, you know us through and through. Speak to us in the Word read and proclaimed, that in the shelter of your love we may find the courage to face the parched places in our lives and find life in your spring of living water. **Amen.**

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29

Here ends the Psalm. **Amen.**

Matthew 21: 1-11

The Gospel of the Lord. **May Jesus Christ be praised.**

SERMON

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death will be able to separate us from Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

THE EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING *Ride on, King Jesus*

INVITATION AND PRAYER

Prayers of the People

Lord hear us...

...Lord graciously hear us.

THE SENDING

*HYMN 209

My Song is Love Unknown

*My Song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me.
Love to the loveless, shown that they might lovely be.*

*Oh, who am I that for my sake,
my Lord should take frail flesh and die?*

*He came from heaven's throne, salvation to bestow;
But they refused, and none the longed-for Christ would know.*

*This is my friend, my friend indeed.
Who at my need his life did spend.*

Sometimes they crowd his way and his sweet praises sing,

Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King.

Then, "Crucify!" is all their breath,

And for his death they thirst and cry.

Here might I stay and sing of him my soul adores,

Never was love, dear King, never was grief like yours.

This is my friend, in whose sweet praise

I all my days would gladly spend.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY



HOLY MONDAY

Read: Matthew 22: 34-40

Listen: After Jesus' big, exciting entrance into Jerusalem, his next few days were kind of... boring! He went back to teaching people about God. There were so many rules that everyone had to follow, so Jesus helped them understand what all the rules are really about- loving God and loving our neighbors.

Do: Write a letter to someone who lives alone. If you need help thinking of someone, ask Christine or Jeff for a suggestion of someone at church.

Ask: Does life feel kind of boring right now? What do you think Jesus felt when life wasn't very exciting? How can you love your neighbors even when you can't be with them?



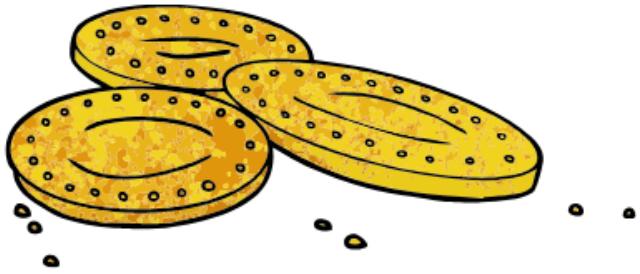
HOLY TUESDAY

Read: Matthew 21: 12-13

Listen: On Tuesday, Jesus went to the Holy Temple and saw that instead of worshipping God, people were using it as a store. They were selling things that made it seem like you had to have enough money to really worship God the right way. It made him so mad that he flipped over all the tables and cleared it for worship again.

Do: Color a piece of paper as hard as you can with a red crayon. Cover as much of the paper as you can.

Ask: What does red make you feel? What do you do when you get angry? Do you sometimes feel more than one thing at the same time? What do you do with those feelings? Do you think that it was okay that Jesus was angry at the people at the temple?



HOLY WEDNESDAY

Read: Matthew 26:14-16

Listen: One of Jesus' best friends, Judas, did something terrible to Jesus. He took money from the people who wanted to hurt Jesus and in exchange, he handed Jesus over to them to be killed. He loved money more than he loved his friend and it destroyed him.

Do: Think about how you can give money to people who need it right now. When we give our money away to others, we use money to help instead of for greed, like Judas did.

Our church is participating in the **One Great Hour of Sharing** offering, which supports people in need around the world. Some of this offering goes to responding to disasters like the COVID-19 pandemic. If you have been filling your fish bank, you may bring it to the church on Sunday morning when you come to bring a flower for our outdoor cross. If your family would like to contribute to this special offering, a donation may be made at fpcobky.com. Be sure to add the note "One Great Hour of Sharing" on the designation.

Ask: Have you ever had a friend hurt your feelings? What did that feel like? Were you able to become friends again afterward? How do you think Jesus felt when his friend hurt him? How does it feel to give your allowance or birthday money away?



MAUNDY THURSDAY

Read: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Listen: Jesus shared a very special Passover meal with his friends. As they sat down, Jesus got up and got a bucket of water and towel to wash his disciples' dirty, dusty feet. They couldn't believe that their teacher would get so dirty for them. The meal these friends shared set the pattern for the communion meal we celebrate in church.

Do: Bake Bread. We will be sharing communion as part of our online worship this evening. While any kind of bread will work, it might be special to bake fresh bread using one of the recipes that is on the next page of this packet.

Participate in Worship tonight at 5:30pm on Facebook Live at facebook.com/fpcowensboro. This service will include communion. This will be the first time we have shared communion in this way. You'll want to have something to eat and drink that will symbolize the bread and cup shared by Jesus. We will also have a Tenebrae (darkness) service which helps us remember the last moments of Jesus' earthly life.

Ask: How have grown ups shown that they love you through their actions? What do you think Jesus' friends felt when Jesus washed their feet? What is it like to share a meal with friends? Is it different than eating alone?

Bread Recipes for Maundy Thursday & Easter

On Maundy Thursday and on Easter, we will be celebrating communion in our worship service. While any bread in your home will be fine to use, it could be particularly meaningful if you chose to prepare bread for the service in your own home. The first recipe listed below is the traditional bread that we as a congregation have on Maundy Thursday, which is lovingly prepared by Rayma Bramschreiber. If you do not have those particular ingredients, the second recipe uses ingredients commonly found in most cupboards. Try one this Holy Week and see how it adds to your experience of communion!

Bread Recipe from Rayma Bramschreiber

1 ¼ cup warm water
2 pkg. yeast (dry)
1 cup water
3 Tbsp Sugar
3 Tbsp shortening
1 Tbsp salt
6-6 ½ cup bread flour

Dissolve yeast in 1 ¼ cup warm water. Add remaining ingredients. Knead. Cover and let double in size. Punch down. Divide in 2 equal portions. Cover and let rest 10-15 minutes. Roll out oblong, then start with the narrow end and roll. Put last fold down in greased loaf pan. Let rise until double. Bake 370 for 15-18 minutes.

Flatbread (easy)

2 cups all purpose flour
1 ¼ cups of lukewarm water
1 Tbsp baking powder
1 tsp. salt
2 tsp oil (canola, vegetable or shortening work best)
Additional 1-2 Tbsp oil (for frying)

Mix flour, salt, baking powder & 2 tsp. canola oil together in a mixing bowl and add most of the water. Continue mixing and adding water until it has the consistency of tacky pizza dough. Knead for a few minutes. Let rest in greased bowl for 30- 60 minutes. Divide into 6 pieces and roll out very thin (tortilla thickness) onto a floured surface. Heat cast iron skillet or griddle to 350F & add 1 T. canola oil. Heat oil til hot but not smoky hot. Cook until golden brown spots appear on one side, then flip and cook the other side until done.

These can be made ahead and kept under a flour sack towel (up to 2 days) or frozen in a Ziplock bag for later use.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 9, 2020 5:30 P.M. FACEBOOK LIVE

Opening Sentences

Reading of Scripture

John 13: 1-17, 31b-35

The Sacrament of the Eucharist

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For
thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Communion of the People

Hymn 220

Go to Dark Gethsemane

REDHEAD

*Go to dark Gethsemane, all who feel the tempter's power;
Your Redeemer's conflict see; watch with him one bitter hour;
Turn not from his griefs away; learn from Jesus Christ to pray.*

Reading of the Passion According to John

Narrator Hear the passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John. Jesus went out with his disciples across the Kidron valley to a place where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples. So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers together with police from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons. Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to him, came forward and asked them,

Jesus For whom are you looking?

Narrator They answered,

All **Jesus of Nazareth.**

Narrator Jesus replied,

Jesus I am he.

Narrator Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. When Jesus said to them, I am he,' they stepped back and fell to the ground. Again he asked them,

Jesus For whom are you looking?

Narrator And they said,

All **Jesus of Nazareth.**

Narrator Jesus answered,

Jesus I told you that I am he. So if you are looking for me, let these men go.

Narrator This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken, I did not lose a single one of those whom

you gave me.' Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his right ear. The slave's name was Malchus. Jesus said to Peter, Put your sword back into its sheath. Am I not to drink the cup that the Father has given me?

Narrator So the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him.

Sung Response

Go to Dark Gethsemane

REDHEAD

*Follow to the judgement hall; view the Lord of life arraigned;
O the wormwood and the gall! O the pangs his soul sustained!
Shun no suffering, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.*

First Candle Extinguished

Narrator First they took him to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year. Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jews that it was better to have one person die for the people. Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, but Peter was standing outside at the gate. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out, spoke to the woman who guarded the gate, and brought Peter in. The woman said to Peter,

All **You are not also one of this man's disciples, are you?**

Narrator Peter said,

Reader I am not.

Narrator Now the slaves and the police had made a charcoal fire because it was cold, and they were standing around it and warming themselves. Peter also was standing with them and warming himself. Then the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his teaching.

Jesus answered,

Jesus I have spoken openly to the world; I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. Why do you ask me? Ask those who heard what I said to them; they know what I said.

Narrator When he had said this, one of the police standing nearby struck Jesus on the face, saying, Reader Is that how you answer the high priest?

Narrator Jesus answered,

Jesus If I have spoken wrongly, testify to the wrong. But if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?

Narrator Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest. Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They asked him,

All **You are not also one of his disciples, are you?**

Narrator Peter denied it and said,

Reader I am not.

Narrator One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked,

All **Did I not see you in the garden with him?**

Narrator Again Peter denied it, and at that moment the roster crowded.

Sung Response

Ah, Holy Jesus

HERZLIEBTER JESU

*Ah, Holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,
that we to judge thee have in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected, O most afflicted!*

*Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?
Alas, my treason, Jesus, has undone thee.
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee; I crucified thee.*

Second Candle Extinguished

Narrator Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate's headquarters. It was early in the morning. They themselves did not enter the headquarters, so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover. So Pilate went out to them and said,
Reader What accusation do you bring against this man?
Narrator They answered,
All **If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you.**
Narrator Pilate said to them,
Reader Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law.
Narrator The Jews replied,
All **We are not permitted to put anyone to death.**
Narrator (This was to fulfill what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.)

Sung Response *Fairest Lord Jesus*

*Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O Thou of God to earth come down,
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.*

*Beautiful Savior, Lord of all nations, Son of God and Son of Man.
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine.*

Third Candle Extinguished

Narrator Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him,
Reader Are you the King of the Jews?
Narrator Jesus answered,
Jesus Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?
Narrator Pilate replied,
Reader I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me.
Narrator What have you done?
Jesus answered,
Jesus My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.
Narrator Pilate asked him,
Reader So you are a king?
Narrator Jesus answered,
Jesus You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.
Narrator Pilate asked him,
Reader What is truth?
Narrator After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them,
Reader I find no case against him. But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?
Narrator They shouted in reply,
All **Not this man, but Barabbas!**
Narrator Now Barabbas was a bandit. Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe. They kept coming up to him, saying,
All **Hail, King of the Jews!**

Narrator And striking him on the face. Pilate went out again and said to them,
Reader Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him.
Narrator So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them,
Reader Here is the man?
Narrator When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted,
All Crucify him! Crucify him!

Fourth Candle Extinguished

Narrator	Pilate said to them,
Reader	Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him.
Narrator	The Jews answered him,
All	We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has claimed to be the Son of God.
Narrator	Now when Pilate heard this, he was more afraid than ever. He entered his headquarters again and asked Jesus,
Reader	Where are you from?
Narrator	But Jesus gave him no answer. Pilate therefore said to him,
Reader	Do you refuse to speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?
Narrator	Jesus answered him,
Jesus	You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin.
Narrator	From then on Pilate tried to release him, but the Jews cried out,
All	If you release this man, you are no friend of the emperor. Everyone who claims to be a king sets himself against the emperor.
Narrator	When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and sat on the judge's bench at a place called The Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew Gabbatha, Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover; and it was about noon. Pilate said to the Jews,
Reader	Here is your King!
Narrator	They cried out,
All	Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!
Narrator	Pilate asked them,
Reader	Shall I crucify your King?
Narrator	The chief priests answered,
All	We have no king but the emperor.
Narrator	Then he handed him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus; and carrying the cross by himself; he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them.

Fifth Candle Extinguished

Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, 'Jesus of Nazareth, the King'

of the Jews.' Many of the Jews read this inscription, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate,

*Alas, and did my savior bleed and did my Sov'reign die?
Would he devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?*

*Was it for crimes that I have done he groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity, grace unknown and love beyond degree!*

Sixth Candle Extinguished

Narrator When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. So they said to one another,

All Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see who will get it.

Narrator This was to fulfill what the scripture says, 'They divided my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots.' And that is what the soldiers did.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother,

Jesus Woman, here is your son.

Narrator Then he said to the disciple,

Jesus Here is your mother.

Narrator And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home. After this when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture),

Jesus I am thirsty

NarratorA jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the wine, he said,

Jesus It is finished.

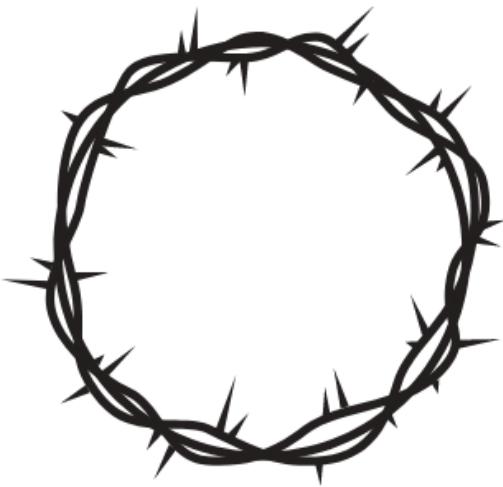
Silence

Solo *Were You There*
Nadia Wilkes

Stripping of the Church

Seventh Candle Extinguished

*Worship is closed by silence.
The service continues on Good Friday*



GOOD FRIDAY

Read: Psalm 22: 1-11, 19-31

Listen: Today is the saddest day of our church year. Even though Jesus had done nothing wrong, the people hurt him, laughed at and teased him, and put him on the cross to die. While he was dying, Jesus said some of the words from Psalm 22 about feeling like God had abandoned him. There on the cross, Jesus died.

Do:

Participate in Worship. We will hold a Good Friday Service at 12:00pm on Facebook Live at facebook.com/fpcowensboro.

Stations of the Cross - We have adapted the traditional Stations of the Cross to a drive you can take around town. Instructions are in this packet.

Ask: What does today's story make you feel? Sad? Angry? Confused? Why do we call it Good Friday if it is such a sad day? What makes you feel better when you are sad?

GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 10 AT NOON FACEBOOK LIVE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Surely he has borne our griefs
And carried our sorrows;
Yet we esteemed him stricken,
Smitten by God, and afflicted.

LITANY FOR GOOD FRIDAY

O crucified Jesus, Son of the Father,
Conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary,
Eternal Word of God,
We worship you.

O crucified Jesus, Holy temple of God, dwelling place of the Most High, gate of heaven, burning flame of love, **we worship you.**

O crucified Jesus, sanctuary of justice and love, full of kindness, source of all faithfulness, **we worship you.**

O crucified Jesus, ruler of every heart, in you are all treasures of wisdom and knowledge, in you dwells all the fullness of the Godhead, **we worship you.**

Jesus, Lamb of God, **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, bearer of our sins, **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, redeemer of the world, **grant us peace.**

Almighty God, look with mercy on your family by whom our Lord Jesus Christ was betrayed and given over to the hands of sinners to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

*When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of glory died;
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.*

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 52: 13- 53:9

THE PSALTER

Psalm 22

SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 4: 14-16

MEDITATION

The Gospel of Luke

HYMN

Were You There

WERE YOU THERE

*Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?*

SOLEMN REPROACHES OF THE CROSS

O my people, O my church, what have I done to you, or in what have I offended you? Answer me. I led you forth from the land of Egypt and delivered you by the waters of baptism, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy.**

I led you through the desert forty years, and fed you with manna: I brought you through tribulation and penitence, and gave you my body, the bread of heaven, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy.**

What more could I have done for you that I have not done? I planted you, my chosen and fairest vineyard, I made you the branches of my vine; but when I was thirsty, you gave me vinegar to drink and pierced with a spear the side of your Savior, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy.**

I went before you in a pillar of cloud, and you have led me to the judgment hall of Pilate. I scoured your enemies and brought you to a land of freedom, but you have scourged, mocked, and beaten me. I gave you the water of salvation from the rock, but you have given me gall and left me to thirst, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy.**

I gave you a royal scepter, and bestowed the keys to the kingdom, but you have given me a crown of thorns. I raised you on high with great power, but you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy.**

My peace I gave, which the world cannot give, and washed your feet as a sign of my love, but you draw the sword to strike in my name and seek high places in my kingdom. I offered you my body and blood, but you scatter and deny and abandon me, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy.**

I sent the Spirit of truth to guide you, and you close your hearts to the Counselor. I pray that all may be one in the Father and me, but you continue to quarrel and divide. I call you to go and bring forth fruit, but you cast lots for my clothing, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy.**

I grafted you into the tree of my chosen Israel, and you turned on them with persecution and mass murder. I made you joint heirs with them of my covenants but you made them scapegoats for your own guilt, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy.**

I came to you as the least of your brothers and sisters; I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me, and you have prepared a cross for your Savior. **Lord, have mercy.**

HYMN

*Jesus, Remember Me
Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom (x2)*

REMEMBER ME

*Worship ends in silence.
The service continues at the Great Easter Vigil.*

Stations of the Cross

Good Friday

Early on in the Christian movement, Jesus' followers remembered Jesus' execution and the places where various parts occurred, recounting the details. By the Middle Ages, pilgrimages to Jerusalem for Holy Week were like the Muslim Haj—a once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage. When people couldn't go to Jerusalem to walk the via Dolorosa with Christ, the ritual of the stations of the cross was born so that people could journey with Christ spiritually in their own devotion. Today, you are invited to join with them in this ancient tradition of remembering Christ's death. These self-guided stations are our ecumenical way of joining with the saints over the centuries in remembering and meditating on this powerful story.

These stations can be a driving tour. Please only do this with people who live in the same household. Find a safe place to park as you read and meditate at each station. This is a flexible activity. If you would rather do these stations at home, you may certainly do so. Adapt to your own needs.

Participate with a spirit of openness to how Jesus' story is lived out each day in our own community, often in the ways we treat "the least of these."



Station One: Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane

Legion Park

Matthew 26:36-41

Where are we asleep when God-with-us is sorrowful unto death?

Prayer: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you. Through your faithfulness, you have redeemed the world.



Station Two: Jesus is Betrayed and Arrested

Police Station, 222 East 9th Street

Mark 14: 43-46

Where in our own lives do we betray the Lord with our kisses?

Prayer: Through your faithfulness, O Christ, you have redeemed the world. We adore you. We bless you.



Station Three: Jesus is Condemned by the Religious Council

An Old Church Building

Luke 22: 66-71

How have we participated in religious groups that condemn God with us?

Prayer: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you. Through your faithfulness, you have redeemed the world.



Station Four: Jesus is Denied by Peter

A courtyard

Matthew 26:69-75

In what ways do I deny Christ?

Prayer: Through your faithfulness, O Christ, you have redeemed the world. We adore you. We bless you.



Station Five: Jesus is Judged by Pontius Pilate

City Hall, 101 East 4th St

Mark 15: 1-5, 15

Where has our desire to appease others hurt Christ's body?

Prayer: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you. Through your faithfulness, you have redeemed the world.



Station Six: Jesus is Scourged and Mocked

Pitino Shelter, 501 Walnut St

John 19:1-3

How do we participate in groups that beat up the Christ in others?

Prayer: Through your faithfulness, O Christ, you have redeemed the world. We adore you. We bless you.



Station Seven: Jesus Condemned by Crowd to Bear Cross

St. Benedict's Shelter, 1001 West 7th St

John 19: 6, 15-17

Consider where in the world crowds still call for crucifixions of innocents.

Prayer: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you. Through your faithfulness, you have redeemed the world.



Station Eight: Jesus is Helped by Simon of Cyrene

The Help Office, 1316 West 4th St

Mark 15:21

Consider the times you were forced into carrying Christ's cross. Or consider: where have we forced others to carry the cross of Christ?

Prayer: Through your faithfulness, O Christ, you have redeemed the world. We adore you. We bless you.



Station Nine: Jesus Meets the Women of Jerusalem

**Girls, Inc., 2130 East 19th St
Luke 23: 27-31**

Jesus says his death occurs in a green time. What might life look like when the time is dry, then?

Prayer: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you. Through your faithfulness, you have redeemed the world.



Station Ten: Jesus is Crucified

Fire Station on 54 - Hill overlooking the city - 5005 KY-54

Luke 23:33-34

While we were in the act of crucifying and mocking him, Christ begged for our forgiveness.

Prayer Through your faithfulness, O Christ, you have redeemed the world. We adore you. We bless you.



Station Eleven: Jesus Promises His Kingdom

Chamber of Commerce Building, 200 East 3rd St

Luke 23: 39-43

How do we want Jesus to remember us from his sovereign throne?

Prayer: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you. Through your faithfulness, you have redeemed the world.



Station Twelve: Jesus Speaks to Mother and Beloved Disciple

Smothers Park

John 19: 25-27

Consider the kind of family Christ wants us to be.

Prayer: Through your faithfulness, O Christ, you have redeemed the world. We adore you. We bless you.



Station Thirteen: Jesus Dies on the Cross

First Presbyterian Church - Cross out on the front lawn

Luke 23: 44-46

SILENT REFLECTION

Prayer: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you. Through your faithfulness, you have redeemed the world.



Station Fourteen: Jesus is Placed in the Tomb

Cemetery Near Your Home

Matthew 27: 57-60

SILENT REFLECTION

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, who stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love may bring those who live in tombs of darkness to knowledge and love of your blessed freedom won for us through Jesus Christ to whom be all honor and glory and dominion now and forevermore. for the honor of your name. Amen.



HOLY SATURDAY

Read: John 19: 38-42

Listen: On Saturday, we remember that Jesus lay in the tomb this whole day. But the next day, the first person who saw him thought he was a gardener. For thousands of years, Christians have celebrated today by gardening.

Do: **Plant flower or vegetable seeds** in your yard or in a pot of dirt in your house. Remember to water them until they sprout up and produce beautiful flowers.

Participate in Worship - The Great Vigil of Easter is one of the most ancient traditions of the church. In the Jewish tradition of which Jesus was part, the next day begins when the sun goes down. This means Easter begins tonight! In our worship, we will light candles, hear the most important stories of our faith, and remember the new life we receive in baptism. This service begins when it gets dark -- 7:00 P.M. on Facebook Live at facebook.com/fpcowensboro.

Ask: Do you like getting your hands dirty in the garden? Why do you think Mary thought Jesus was a gardener on Easter morning? What do you think he was wearing?

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

First Presbyterian Church

April 10, 2020

Facebook Live

Service of Light

GREETING AND INTRODUCTION

Grace and peace from Jesus Christ our Lord.

And also with you.

Beloved people of God, on this most holy night when our Savior Jesus Christ passed from death to life, we gather with the church throughout the world in vigil and prayer.

This is the Passover of our Lord Jesus Christ. Through light and the word, through water, bread, and wine, We proclaim Christ's death and resurrection, we share Christ's triumph over sin and death and we await Christ's coming again in glory.

In the beginning was the Word,

And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

In the life of Christ is the light of all people

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness will not overcome it.

LIGHTING OF THE NEW FIRE

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ you have given the light of life to all the world. Bless this new fire, and kindle in us the desire to shine with the brightness of Christ's rising, until we feast at the banquet of eternal light; through the Sun of Righteousness, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

You are invited to light a candle or candles in your home.

The light of Christ rises in glory,

Casting out the shadow of sin and death.

The light of Christ.

Thanks be to God!

THE EASTER PROCLAMATION

Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!

Jesus Christ our King is risen!

Let every place resound with joy,

Echoing the mighty song of all God's people!

You are invited to echo the phrase “This is the night” whenever it is spoken as the prayer continues.

Service of Story

THE STORY OF CREATION

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Almighty and eternal God, you created all things in wonderful beauty and order. Help us now to perceive how still more wonderful is the new creation, by which in the fullness of time you redeemed your people through the sacrifice of our Passover, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

THE GREAT FLOOD

Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13

Faithful God, you placed the rainbow in the skies as the sign of your covenant with all living things. May we who are saved through water and the Spirit, worthily offer to you our sacrifice of thanksgiving. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DELIVERANCE AT THE SEA

Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21

God of steadfast love, your wonderful needs of old shine forth even to our own day. Through the waters of the sea you once delivered your chosen people from slavery, a sign for us of the salvation of all nations through the grace of Baptism. Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be numbered among the offspring of Abraham and rejoice in the inheritance of Israel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A NEW HEART AND SPIRIT

Ezekiel 36:24-28

God of holiness and light, in the mystery of dying and rising with Christ you have established a new covenant of reconciliation. Cleanse our hearts and give a new spirit to all your people, that your saving grace may be professed and proclaimed to the whole world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN 158

Born in the Night, Mary's Child

MARY'S CHILD

1. *Born in the night, Mary's Child,
a long way from your home;
coming in need, Mary's Child,
born in a borrowed room.*

2. *Clear shining light, Mary's Child,
your face lights up our way;
light of the world, Mary's Child,
dawn on our darkened day.*

*3. Truth of our life, Mary's Child,
you tell us God is good;
prove it is true, Mary's Child,
go to your cross of wood.*

*4. Hope of the world, Mary's Child,
you're coming soon to reign;
Savior of all, Mary's Child,
walk in our streets again.*

THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS

Matthew 28:1-10

HYMN 587 - *Celtic Alleluia*

Service of New Life

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many are one body, so it is with Christ.

In the one Spirit we are all baptized into one body. We are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Beloved people of God, through baptism we are washed clean from sin and made one as members of Christ's body. By the mystery of Jesus' birth, life, death, and resurrection, the power of sin was broken and God's realm entered our world. In baptism we become citizens of God's new creation, forever set free from the bondage of sin and death. Tonight we celebrate our freedom and redemption through the renewal of the promises made at our baptism. I ask all of you, therefore, to reject sin, to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, and to confess the faith of the church, the faith in which we are baptized.

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

I renounce them.

Who is your Lord and Savior?

Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying Christ's word and showing Christ's love?

I will, with God's help.

With the whole church, let us confess our faith:

Do you believe in God?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

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.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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.

You are invited to pour water into a bowl in your home. Each person may touch the water as these words are spoken:

Remember your baptism and be thankful.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE RESURRECTION FEAST

According to the prophet Isaiah, the day is coming when the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food and well-aged wines. On that day, the Lord will destroy the shroud of death that is cast over the whole earth; God will take away the disgrace of the people and wipe away the tears from all faces.

God will swallow up death forever.

This is the day of resurrection; this is the Lord for whom we have waited. Let us be glad and rejoice in our salvation.

Tomorrow we will feast on the bread of life and the cup of promise.

This will be the feast of God's resistance to the ways of the world.

The poor are blessed.

The lowly are lifted up.

The mourning are comforted.

The hungry are filled.

This will be our feast of hope in a time of fear and danger.

Wars shall cease.

Injustices will be made right.

**The sick will be healed.
Pandemics will end.**

This will be the feast where everything is made new.

Those in bondage will know freedom.

Hearts of stone will be turned to hearts of flesh.

Light will shine in the darkness.

Christ's church will find new ways of being.

Tomorrow, we will feast on the bread of life and the cup of promise. We will begin a great fifty days of Easter, our feast of resistance, hope, and new life.

Gracious God, you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. We have remembered your mighty acts in holy history. We have seen your power in sending light to conquer darkness, water to give us life, and the bread of heaven to nourish us in love. Send us out now with the good news of salvation and a message of joy for all the world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN 231

Christ is Risen While Earth Slumbers

NETTLETON

1. *Christ has risen while earth slumbers,
Christ has risen where hope died,
as he said and as he promised,
as we doubted and denied.
Let the moon embrace the blessing;
let the sun sustain the cheer;
let the world confirm the rumor.
Christ is risen, God is here!*

2. *Christ has risen for the people
whom he loved and died to save;
Christ has risen for the women
bringing flowers to grace his grave*

*Christ has risen for disciples
huddled in an upstairs room.
He whose word inspired creation
Can't be silenced by the tomb.*

3. *Christ has risen and forever
lives to challenge and to change
all whose lives are messed or mangled,
all who find religion strange.
Christ is risen. Christ is present
making us what he has been –
evidence of transformation
in which God is known and seen.*

THE BLESSING AND CHARGE

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Alleluia!**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the power of his resurrection. **Amen.**

Christ is risen! **Christ is risen!**
Christ is risen! **Christ is risen!**
Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed!**
Alleluia! **Amen.**



EASTER

Read: Matthew 28:1-10

Listen: Christ Has Risen!! This is the best news of all-- death is not the most powerful thing in the world-- God's love is! We call this Good News "The Gospel" and it's the reason that we celebrate even when life seems like it is its very darkest. God's love has defeated sin and death and so today we celebrate!

Do: **Decorate the sidewalk** in front of your house with the Good News that Christ has risen from the dead!

Bring flowers to the church between 8:00 and 10:00am to add to our flower cross. Flowers from your yard will be a beautiful symbol of Christ's resurrection.

Participate in Worship - Easter worship will be held at 10:30am on Facebook Live at facebook.com/fpcowensboro. We will be celebrating communion, so have something you can use to represent the bread and cup.

Have an egg hunt! Stephanie has compiled some of the crafts and activities we would have used at the church's egg hunt that you can do in your home. They are included in this packet. Take photos and share on social media.

Ask: What is your favorite kind of celebration? How does this Easter feel different than other years? How can you go share the good news today?

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD/EASTER SUNDAY

April 12 at 10:30 Facebook Live

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

INTROIT

Christ is Risen

Sanborn

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Christ is risen indeed!

Come, see the tomb where he was laid.

Come, touch the stone that was rolled away.

Come, hear the story of our risen Lord.

Come, worship God!

*OPENING PRAYER

Living God, we praise you – for the day that you have made; for the life that you have given; for the church that you have called. Let this day be filled with wonder; let our lives proclaim the message; let your church sing out the news – that Christ, our Lord and Savior, is risen. Amen.

HYMN 232

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

*Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!*

*Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!*

*But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured. Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!*

*Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!*

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Congregation: May God be with you in worship there.

Children: May God be with you in worship here.

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

In the risen Christ, we are reconciled to God and one another. Our brokenness no longer defines us, for God's grace claims us anew. Trusting in this good news, let us confess where we have fallen short, that we might rejoice in our new life with Christ. Let us pray.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of new life, forgive us when we would rather mourn the old. God of resurrection, forgive us when all we can see is death. God of faithfulness, forgive us when we are certain that we are alone. Forgive us, God of mercy. Make us aware of the depth of your grace, that we might respond with lives of faithfulness.

Silence is kept for personal prayer

POURING OF THE WATERS REMINISCENT OF BAPTISM

Remember your baptism and be thankful!

DECLARATION OF PROMISE AND FORGIVENESS

*THE GLORIA PATRI (HYMN 581)

GREATOREX

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.*

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

*SUNG RESPONSE

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

HYMN TO JOY

Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days!

Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed.

In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.

Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Risen Christ, you show us the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy. Speak to us now as the Scripture is read and proclaimed, that we may know your presence and be filled with gladness in our hearts. **Amen.**

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

Matthew 28: 1-10 (N.T. p. 33)

The Gospel of the Lord. **May Jesus Christ be praised.**

SERMON

*Profession of Faith (the Apostle's Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!

David Johnson

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING & PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise...

...Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE SENDING

*HYMN 826

Lift High the Cross

JUDAS MACCABEUS

*Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

*Come, Christians, follow where our savior trod,
the Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God.
(Refrain)*

*All newborn servants of the Crucified
bear on their brow the seal of Christ who died.*

(Refrain)

*O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
your death has brought us life eternally.*

(Refrain)

*So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory.*

(Refrain)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Easter Craft Ideas



Easter Bunny and Chick Washcloth Craft

WHAT YOU WILL NEED

Yellow and white washcloths	Small pom poms
Rubber bands or hair ties	Orange felt/fabric
Ribbon	Glue
Googly eyes	

TO MAKE THE WASHCLOTH BUNNY

1. First, fold a white washcloth in half along the diagonal to make a triangle.
2. Roll up the towel, starting at the corner across from the base of the triangle.
3. Fold the towel in half so the ends (the bunny ears) are pointing upwards.
4. Fold the towel in half again, so the bunny ears point downward.
5. Cross the ends over a bit so you won't have a seam showing.
6. Secure the bundle with an elastic in the center. Set the towel on the side and puff up and arrange the ears. Tie a piece of ribbon around the elastic. Use the glue dots to adhere plastic eyes, a pink pom pom for the nose, and a pom pom for the tail.

TO MAKE THE WASHCLOTH CHICK

1. Fold and roll a yellow towel as you did for the bunny.
2. Bend the towel into a spiral (as if you were making hot pretzels).
3. Secure with an elastic, puffing up and arranging the ends of the towel for the wings.
4. Tie a piece of ribbon around the elastic. Use glue dots to adhere plastic eyes and a triangle of orange felt for the beak.

Step by step instructions with pictures @ <https://craftsbyamanda.com/washcloth-bunny/>



Bunny and Egg Silhouette Craft

What you need

- templates (you will find them at the end of this tutorial)
- printer
- two sheets of white paper per shape (heavier paper is better) – one for the outline and one for background
- paper in many colors (I like to use scrapbooking paper too!!)
- scissors
- glue

Directions

- Start by cutting out the bunny silhouette outlines.
- Do not discard the little bunny tail :).
- Cut plenty of strips of colorful paper. You can use scissors, paper trimmer or just rip the paper with your hands for a more dynamic look.
- Glue the strips of paper on the white sheet of paper. No particular order is necessary.
- Once all the paper strips are on their place apply a glue on one side of the paper with the bunny silhouette.
- Glue it on top of the paper with all those colorful strips.
- All there is left to do is to pop on the little bunny tail and your Easter Silhouette Craft is all done and ready to be displayed.
- Repeat the process with the Easter egg silhouette.

Instructions with pictures and video found @ <https://www.easypeasyandfun.com/printable-easter-silhouette-craft/>



Bunny and Chick Bookmarks

Supplies Needed

Craft sticks in white and yellow (if you don't want to paint or color craft sticks)

White craft paint and Yellow craft paint (if using natural craft sticks)

White, Pink, Orange, and Yellow craft paper

Googly eyes White and yellow pipe cleaner

Black marker Pen

Pen

Scissors Glue

Glue

Scissors Glue (craft glue if you have it)

How to Make Popsicle Stick Bunny Bookmarks

1. Begin by drawing a bunny head shape on white craft paper.
 2. Cut out the bunny head and set aside.
 3. Now, you will draw and cut out small pink ear shapes and a small pink nose to go on the bunny head
 4. Glue the ears and nose in place.
 5. Now, you will add googly eyes.
 6. Then, you will draw on a smile and some dots for whiskers.
 7. Glue the head to the top of a craft stick.
 8. Twist your white pipe cleaner in half and then wrap around the craft stick just below the head and twist on sides to make arms.
 9. Now your bunny bookmark is done.

How to Make Popsicle Stick Chick Bookmarks

1. Draw a circle on the yellow paper and cut out.
 2. Cut a small orange beak from the craft paper.
 3. Glue the googly eyes and beak onto the yellow circle to create the chicken head.
 4. Now, you will glue the head onto the yellow craft stick.
 5. Twist your yellow pipe cleaner in half and then wrap it around the craft stick just below the chicken head and twist on sides to make arms.
 6. Now you have a chicken bookmark for Easter!

Instructions with pictures @ <https://www.diyncrafts.com/88949/holidays/easter/bunny-and-chick-easter-bookmarks>