

# THE SANCTUARY

Palm/Passion Sunday • April 13, 2025 • 8:45 AM & 11 AM

## GATHERING

Sellers

## PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

Malambri

Luke 19:28-40

## CENTERING “Blessed Is the King of Israel”

“Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!”

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## \* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

## \* GREETING

Malambri

Leader: Hosanna to the Son of David!

People: **Hosanna in the highest!**

Leader: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: **Hosanna in the highest!**

## \* HYMN “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

No. 278

## \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

“The Apostles’ Creed”

Brown

No. 881

## \* GLORIA PATRI “Glory Be to the Father”

No. 71

## \* WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, on this day your Son Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem and was proclaimed King by those who spread their garments and palm branches along his way. Within days, the same voices called out, “Crucify him... We have no king but Caesar.” We confess, O God, that we can be swept up in what’s true and good and honors you, and in what is untrue and unfaithful. Forgive our fickle, self-serving hearts and empower our devotion and commitment to our Lord, we pray. Amen.

## WORDS OF PARDON

## LITANY OF DIMINSIHING LIGHT

Everlasting God, in the mystery of the passion of your Son, you offer your infinite life to the world. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior. “What wondrous love is this, that caused the Lord of life to lay aside his crown for my soul... .” In your mercy, enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, “and through eternity, I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on.” Amen.

## PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

## LENTEN MEDITATION

“The Holy City”

*Donna Watts, soprano*

“Last night as I lay sleeping there came a dream so fair. I stood in old Jerusalem beside the temple there. I heard the children singing, and ever as they sang, I thought the voice of angels from heaven in answer rang. I thought the voice of angels from heaven in answer rang. Jerusalem, Jerusalem, lift up your gates and sing. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna to your King. And then I thought my dream was changed, the streets no longer rang. Hushed were the glad Hosannas the little children sang. The sun grew dark with mystery, the morn was cold and chill as the shadow of a cross arose upon a lonely hill. The shadow of a cross arose upon a lonely hill. Jerusalem, Jerusalem, hark how the angels sing. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna to the King. And once again the scene was changed, new earth there seemed to be. I saw the Holy city beside the crystal sea. The light of God was on the streets, the gates were open wide. And all who would might enter in and no one was denied. No need of moon or stars by night, or sun to rule by day. It was the new Jerusalem that would not pass away. It was the new Jerusalem that would not pass away. Jerusalem, Jerusalem, sing for the night is o’er. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna forevermore. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna forevermore!”

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## PROCLAMATION OF THE PASSION STORY

Luke 22:31-34

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON “Once You’ve Turned Back”

Malambri

## OFFERTORY “The Palms”

*Faure/arr. Vevenger*

## \* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**All things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. You created all that is, and with love formed us in your image. When our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You gave your only Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior. All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you. And so, in gratitude for all your gifts, we offer you ourselves, and all that we have, in union with Christ’s offering for us. Amen.**

## \* HYMN “All Glory, Laud and Honor”

No. 280

## \* BENEDICTION

## \* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE AND RECESSIONAL

Please remain in place and join in singing.

“Lift High the Cross”

**Lift high the cross,**

**the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.**

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## \* POSTLUDE “The King of Glory Comes”

KING OF GLORY

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**\*Rise in body or spirit.**

# THE HARBOR

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## WELCOME

Stevens Poirrel

## OPENING PRAYER

\* SONG “Hosanna (Praise is Rising)”

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

\* SONG “Blessed Be Your Name”

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8:45 AM)  
“The Apostles’ Creed”

## LITANY OF DIMINISHING LIGHT

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## SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (11 AM)

Madelyn Grace Dever

## RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11 AM)

Jimmy and Katy Dever

## CELEBRATION OF GIFTS

SONG “I Saw the Cross of Jesus”

SCRIPTURE Luke 19:28-40

MESSAGE “Turned Upside Down” Stevens Poirrel

## PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

\* SONG “Lead Me To The Cross”

\* SONG “Jesus Messiah”

\* ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* BENEDICTION

## BELIN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*A Stephen Ministry Church*

Clergy: Will Malambri, J.T. Brown, Sandra Stevens Poirrel  
Ministers: Belin Congregation Minister Emeritus: Harold Lewis  
Pastoral Cabinet: Mark Ale, Mike Alexander, Keith Clarke, Becky Forrest,  
Sam Hale, George Howle, Wayne Sayre, Connie Stinson



# Announcements

■ The 2025 **Blessing of the Inlet t-shirt** is available in the Family Life Center (room 2), at Lazy Gator, Lee's Inlet Apothecary, and Lee's Inlet Kitchen. Shirts are \$20, and checks should be made payable to "Belin Memorial UMC".

■ The annual **Good Friday Fish Fry** is this Friday, April 18, in the Family Life Center. The lunch serving is 11:30 AM - 1 PM, and dinner is from 5 PM - 6:45 PM. Tickets can be purchased in advance in the church office, Family Life Center, or from any member of United Methodist Men. Fish plates will include french fries, hushpuppies, and coleslaw. Volunteers are also needed for this event; if you are interested in helping, call Gordon Myers, 843.344.4256.

■ **Belin Bible Studies Classes** are starting up soon. "The Heritage Class," led by Wayne Sayre and Charlie Turner, begins Tuesday, April 22, at 6 PM. The other classes are Wednesday Morning Adult Bible Study, beginning Wednesday, April 23, at 9:45 AM, and Women's Bible Study, starting Monday, April 28, at 6 PM. Contact Mary Mallick for more information.

## The Observance of the Lenten Candles "Diminishing Light" of Lent

Candles serve as one of the most prominent symbols to represent the presence of God and the working of the Holy Spirit. During Lent, candles have an important role as the Lenten season reminds us of Christ's journey to the cross that moves from Ash Wednesday to Easter Day.

Each week the light dims a little more as an additional candle is extinguished. This represents our drawing closer to Good Friday and the darkness at the time of Christ's crucifixion. When the last candle is extinguished, the darkness seems to be all-consuming. However, we remember every Sunday is The Lord's Day - "a little Easter." We are always moving forward toward The Light.

On Easter Sunday, the Christ Candle will be lit, as we celebrate The Resurrection and Christ's victory over sin and death. The observance of the candles serves as a visual reminder of the truth that: "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." (John 1:5)

# Dates to Remember

- April 13, MS & HS 5:30 PM: Belin Youth Group (FLC)
- April 17, 6 PM: Maundy Thursday Foot Washing Service (Seawall)
- April 17, 7 PM: Maundy Thursday Communion Service (Sanctuary)
- April 18, Church offices closed for holiday
- April 18, 7 PM : Good Friday Service (Sanctuary)

# In Worship Together

**Our Mission:** To make disciples of Jesus Christ.

**Our Vision:** To be a place for you to discover love, find purpose, and make a difference.

**Our Journey:** To connect, grow, and serve.



### Maundy Thursday (April 17)

6 PM - Foot Washing by the seawall cross

7 PM - Holy Communion in The Sanctuary

### Good Friday (April 18)

7 PM - Tenebrae Service of Darkness  
in The Sanctuary

### Easter Sunday (April 20)

6:30 AM - Sunrise Service by the seawall

8:45 AM - Worship in The Harbor and in The Sanctuary

11 AM - Worship in The Harbor and in The Sanctuary

### Worship Attendance

**4.6.25**

Traditional Service:

748

Harbor Service:

344

### Weekly Finance Update

**4.6.25**

Weekly Need:

\$62,178

Received Last week:

\$47,483

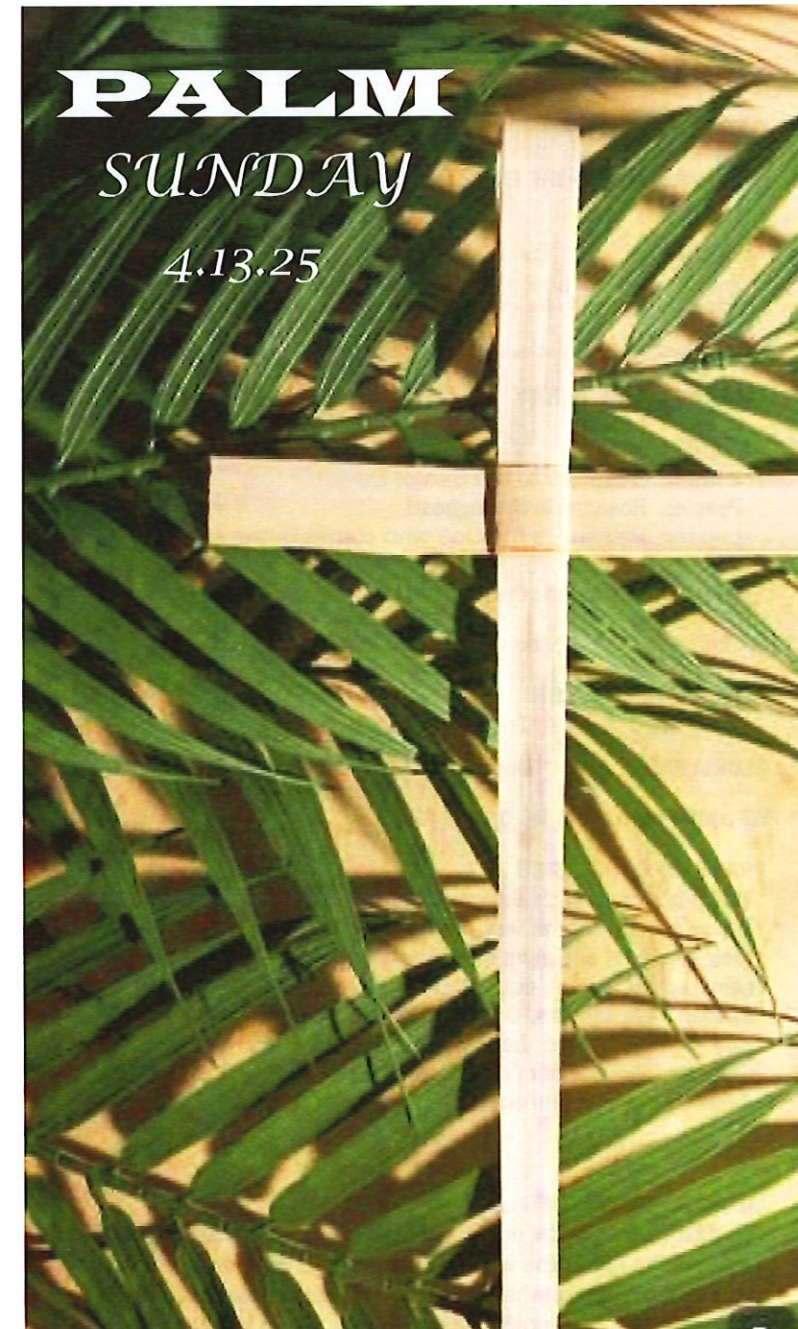


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