

*Welcome to
Otterbein United Methodist Church*

April 2, 2023

10:30 am

Palm Sunday

*Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.*

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

We Gather to Worship the Lord

Welcome

Prelude

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

arr. Burkhardt

*Greeting (from Hebrews 4:14-16)

L: Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God,

P: let us hold fast to our confession.

L: For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,

P: but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

L: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,

P: so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

*Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

No. 278, UMH

Children's Time in Worship

We Proclaim the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Anthem *A New Hosanna* John Purifoy

*Gospel Lesson Matthew 21:1-11 (NT, page 23)

Sermon “HOSANNA!” Rev. Adam Blagg

Anthem *Ain't No Rock Gonna' Shout for Me* Larson
College Chorale

Announcements

We Give Our Thanks

Invitation, Confession, Pardon, & Peace No. 12, UMH

*Hymn *Please Enter My Heart, Hosanna* No. 2154, TFWS
(stanzas 1, 2)

*Doxology No. 95, UMH

Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of Holy Communion No. 13, UMH

Pastoral Prayer

We Go Forth Renewed

*Closing Hymn *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* No. 280, UMH
(stanzas 1, 3, 5)

*Benediction

*Postlude *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* Manz

This Week's Opportunities

Sunday, April 2—Palm Sunday

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

Monday, April 3

4:30 pm Soup Kitchen
5:00 pm Clothes Closet
7:00 pm Orchestra Rehearsal

Tuesday, April 4

11:00 am Lenten Study—Rm. 204
6:00 pm Bible Study—Rm. 204

Wednesday, April 5

10:00 am Bible Study—Rm. 204
6:00 pm YA Gathering—MH
No Chancel Ringers
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, April 6—Maundy Thursday

4:00 pm New Horizons Band
Rehearsal—MH
7:00 pm Maundy Thursday
Service—Asbury UMC

Friday, April 7—Good Friday

Noon Downtown Prayer Walk
7:00 pm Good Friday Service—
Otterbein

Saturday, April 8

10:30 am Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, April 9—Easter

6:30 am Sunrise Service—West
Rock. Ruritan Park
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

Otterbein in Prayer

Wanda Baker
Jerry & Carolyn Beam
Gary Billingsley
Millie Bruce
Rev. Louis Carson
Fern Cline
Cliff & Jean Davis
Ann Dellinger
Jo Ellen Dickenson
Mike Earman
Judy Falls
Dennis Gaines
Ray & Audrey Griffith
Doris Hanger
Norma Heath
Titus Knicely
Allen Litten
Allene McCoy
Mary Jo Mitchell
George & Betty Painter
BJ Payne
Judy Pruett
Linda Ridder
Mary Ellen Rohrbaugh
Irene Ruddle
Maggie Sparks
Juanita Taylor
Daisy VanPelt
Mary Wenger
Family of Nancy East
Family of Linda Stephens

Next Week's Nursery Volunteers:

Loretta Crider & Lena Blagg

- **Holy Week Services**—Make plans now to attend our Holy Week Services! **Maundy Thursday, April 6 at 7:00 pm** at **Asbury** and **Good Friday, April 7 at 7:00 pm** at **Otterbein**. The combined choirs of the churches will present **Seven Last Words** by Michael John Trotta during the Good Friday Service.
- **Good Friday Prayer Walk**—The 36th annual Harrisonburg downtown ecumenical Good Friday prayer walk, based on the "Stations of the Cross," will be held **Friday, April 7, from noon to 1:00 pm**. The walk **begins at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church** and **ends at St. Stephens United Church of Christ**, stopping at a total of 10 downtown churches and public buildings. Led by someone carrying a large cross, the group stops at each station where a member of the "Biblical Storytellers Guild" will tell a passage from the Gospel of Matthew and a local pastor responds with a prayer. Please join us! The walking route is accessible for wheelchairs and strollers.
- **SVCS Spring Concert**—The **Shenandoah Valley Choral Society**, under the direction of Curtis Nolley, will present its annual spring concert on **Friday, April 14th, 7:30 pm, and Sunday, April 16th, 3 pm** at **Bridgewater Church of the Brethren**. The concert will feature **Maurice Durufle's** 20th century masterpiece, **Requiem**, with organ accompaniment by Dr. Larry Taylor, and student soloists from JMU's College of Visual and Performing Arts. The second half of the concert will feature a celebration of spring with choral settings of poetry by Robert Burns, Robert Louis Stevenson, and William Wordsworth among others. Tickets are available at the door, locally at Harrisonburg Friendly City Food Co-Op, Bridgewater Foods Supermarket, and online at singshenandoah.org. Admission is \$15 for adults and \$12 for seniors and students.
- **Creation Care Spring Event**—Please join the Creation Care Taskforce at the annual **Blacks Run Clean-Up Day** sponsored by Harrisonburg Public Works, **Saturday, April 15th, 9:45 am – 1:00 pm**. This is a great opportunity for us to be a part of a community effort to care for God's Creation. See hall bulletin board for further details and sign-up forms.
- **Spaghetti Supper**—*Many thanks* to everyone who supported the Otterbein Men's Spaghetti Supper. As a result of generous donations, **\$1,767** will be going to support the important work of **Valley Interfaith Action**. The Otterbein Men's Fellowship next monthly breakfast and prayer gathering will be Saturday, April 22 at 7:30 am at Thomas House Restaurant. All are welcome for good food and great fellowship.
- **Assisted Listening Devices** and **large print bulletins and hymnals** are **available**. Please see an usher for assistance.

**TLC Person
of the Week:**

Cliff & Jean Davis
41 Emery Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

*Remember Cliff & Jean this
week with a note or a card.
Let's show them Otterbein's
"tender, loving care"!*

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Monday - Thursday: 8 am - 3 pm
Friday: Closed