

## PALMS FOR THE KING

After driving out demons, healing the sick, and raising the dead, it was time for the King of Kings to enter the Holy City. But to do so, he rode not on the back of a warhorse, but a donkey. His companions accompanied him brandishing not swords, but palm branches. The monument to his victory, erected a week later, was not an arch, but a crucifix. His earthly beginning was frightfully humble. And his earthly end would be no different. The wood of the manger prefigured the wood of the cross.



### STEWARDSHIP – APRIL 7, 2019

#### GIVING

##### Budget

Weekly Need	\$ 7,631.56
Given	\$ 8,527.50
Behind	\$ 7,915.47

##### Other Funds

Kitchen Fund	\$ 250.00
Easter Lilies	\$ 105.00
Youth Fund	\$ 320.00

#### ATTENDANCE

CenTered	70
Worship Service	207
Total	277
Sunday School	149

Youth Mission Trip	\$ 25.00
Community Missions	\$ 116.00

### Center United Methodist Church

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**Center United Methodist Church**  
**Mitch Wilson, Senior Pastor**  
**Palm Sunday**  
**April 14, 2019**

**11:00 AM**

**Nursery with pagers available**

**Greeting and Announcements**

Richard Bates, Lay Leader

**Prelude**

*“God So Loved the World”*

Marty Stanbery

**Call to Worship**

Marty Stanbery

PRESENTATION of the LIGHT of CHRIST

Hadley Smith

The Gift of God’s HOLY WORD

Micah Hollingsworth

The Marvelous CROSS of CHRIST

Gracin Hill

**\*GREETING and SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST**

The People

**\*Procession of the Psalms Hymn No. 278** *“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”* Sunday School Children

Please Bring Macaroni & Cheese and Sugar Offering to the Altar

**Registration of Attendance**

**Sharing of JOYS and CONCERNS and PRAYER**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SHOWCASE**

**PALM SUNDAY DRAMA, NARRATED BY Kathryn Bullings**

**HYMN NO. 288** Sung During Drama *“Were You There”*

Congregation

Following Drama, children K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade may go to Children’s Church

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

*“The King is Coming”*

Chancel Choir, Soloist: Bud Sink

**\*DOXOLOGY PAGE NO. 95** *“Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow”* Karen Stutzman

**PALM/PASSION SUNDAY REFLECTION:**

Rev. Mitch Wilson

**\*HYMN NO. 2108 (The Faith We Sing)** *“O How He Loves You and Me”*

Karen Stutzman

The Altar is open during the singing of the Closing Hymn

**\*CHRIST’S LIGHT and CROSS of CHRIST GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD**

Hadley Smith and Gracin Hill

**\*BLESSING**

Rev. Mitch Wilson

**\*POSTLUDE**

Marty Stanbery

\*Congregation Stands

**WELCOME**

We welcome you to our church! If you are a guest, we are especially glad you are here and ask that you give your name, address, and phone number by filling out a Visitor’s Card found on the back of each pew and placing it in the offering plate as it is passed. If you do not have a church home, we cordially invite you to share in the life of this congregation.

**VOLUNTEER MINISTRY**

**GREETERS**

Today – Gregg and Glenda Stabler

Richard and Terri Bates

Next Sunday – Steve and Molly Long

Rocky and Kay Hedrick

**ACOLYTE**

Today – Hadley Smith

Next Sunday – Gracin Hill

**BIBLE BEARER**

Today – Micah Hollingsworth

Next Sunday – Katlyn Leonard

**CROSS OF CHRIST BEARER**

Today – Gracin Hill

Next Sunday – Gentry Smith

**CHILDREN’S TIME**

Today – Sunday School Showcase

Next Sunday – Beth Leonard

**DOORSTEP VISITATION**

Today – Lannie and Vicki Sink

Next Sunday – Aaron Whitfield

**USHERS**

Today – Kent Nifong (Head)

Rocky Hedrick, Tommy Henderson,

David Hill, Tony Hill

Next Sunday – Kent Nifong (Head)

J. C. Johnson, Joey Johnson,

Pete Jones, Wyatt Kepley

**INFANT NURSERY**

Today – Parenting Nursery

Next Sunday – Parenting Nursery

**TODDLER NURSERY**

Today – Jennifer Kurtzman and

Karri Hollingsworth

Next Sunday – Anna Evans & Karri Hollingsworth

**CHILDREN’S CHURCH**

Today – Tina Fulcher & Karri Hollingsworth

Next Sunday – Angie Leonard & Mitzi Tesh

**EARLY SERVICE NURSERY**

Today – Wendy Talley

Next Sunday – Tess McCrary Warren

**SAFE SANCTUARY**

Children remain in the Sanctuary during Worship or with our trained teachers in Children’s Church. Children are not permitted to sit in empty classrooms or roam the hall without adult supervision.

**MISSION OFFERINGS**

First Sunday - **Community Mission Offering**

Second Sunday - **Macaroni & Cheese and Sugar Offering**

Third & Fourth Sundays - **Breakfast Cereal for Greater Things Outreach Center**

Fifth Sunday – **Crisis Ministry Cash Offering**

**ALTAR FLOWERS:**

The flowers are placed in the church today to the glory of God and in honor of Nancy Cheek's birthday in love by Jason, Emily, Lucas and Joshua.

**PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES!**

- Dan and Shannon Maloy –Spring is upon us! In college ministry, it means we are sandwiched between multiple exciting ministry opportunities: Spring Break trips & Summer Missions. Please visit the church website and enjoy our update about how students used their Spring Break to serve & share the Gospel with neighbors around the city, nation & world. One urgent need is that we are still in need of at least one more male student to apply to our Quito summer mission. It is causing some logistical issues.
- Aberle born February 14, 2019. He weighed 8 lbs, 4 oz. and was 22 1/2 inches. Pray for their children as they go through transition again, leaving family and friends and settling into a new place with new relationships. Pray for the Aberles as they dive into a new culture and language that they find community, friends and a church family. Please pray as they get paperwork and logistics figured out for their return trip mid-April. Pray that they would be able to build a team who are excited to work with them in this new venture of more digital ministry opportunities continuing to work to reach the unreached from a different angle.  
Dustin and Faith Minter – Prayers that the renovations on the group home continue going well and that funds for the home come in quickly, pray for the many transitions that will follow in the official change of the name of the country to Northern Macedonia, and on a personal note: prayer for their health. Working at the orphanage exposes them to a lot of germs their bodies aren't use to. They seem to be battling colds every other week!

**On Going Prayer Concerns for April 14:**

- Lannie Sink
- Jim Myers (Pat Simmons' Brother)
- Allen MacCay (Barbara Johnson's Foster Son)
- Kathy Griffin (Joey Johnson's Friend's Mother)
- Becky Wassum
- Karen Scott Stump
- Robin Backer (Ashley Johnson's Mother)
- Bob & Crissy Wagner
- Don Edwards (Charles Richardson's Cousin)
- Brian Grubb (Joy Jones's Brother)
- Kim Dorton
- Ann Epps (Friend of Charles and Shirley Richardson)
- Kathy Kepley
- Katy Culler
- Kitty Minter
- Jean Teague (Martha Varner's Sister)
- Chris Briggs (Wayne Briggs's Brother)
- Bryan Martin (Donna Muraco's Son-in-Law)
- Paul Stevens (Steve and Molly Long's Friend)

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN:**

UMW have a new way of ordering their delicious Chicken Pies. Simply go to our church website, click on the link and place your order. We are taking orders now through April 15 for pick up on May 4.

**CENTER UNITED METHODIST MEN  
EASTER BOSTON BUTT SALE!!!!**

**CUMM are selling Boston butts with 1 quart of dip and 1 quart of slaw (approximate precooked weight is 9 lbs). The cost is \$40.00 each and you can purchase tickets from any CUMM or contact Dustin Hobbs @ 336-239-2119. The deadline to order is today, April 14. The Boston Butts are to be picked up at Center United Methodist Church in the Christian Fellowship Center on April 19 after 4:00 PM.**

**SHUT-INS AT HOME**

Ann Clodfelter	Charles and Bonnie Minter
Dot Craver	Bruce and Betty Regan
Mozelle Koontz	Treavie Weaver
Sherry Lanier	

**REST HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING**

Marian Funderburk – Arbor Acres  
 Don Grubb – Grayson Creek, Room 203  
 Joy Jones – Patriot Assisted Living  
 Tony Koontz – Spring Arbor, Room 204  
 Nancy Marlow (Lisa Bates' Mother)  
 Jewell McDade – Heritage Greens  
 J. R. Lanning – Abbotts Creek Center, 877 Hill Everhart Road, Room 219, Lexington, NC 27295  
 Sue Mendenhall-Mallard Ridge Assisted Living, 9420 N. Hwy. 150, Clemmons, NC 27012 –Attn: Sue Mendenhall, Horizon C-1

**IN THE MILITARY**

Aaron Kepley	Aaron Lineberry
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**DAILY UPDATES**

Please check e-news for updates on joys, concerns, and announcements. If you do not receive daily e-news, contact Henrietta Hayes to be added at [hhayes.eneews@gmail.com](mailto:hhayes.eneews@gmail.com) or [cumcw.churchenews@gmail.com](mailto:cumcw.churchenews@gmail.com)

**SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE  
WEDNESDAY AT 9:00 AM**

NOTE: Please fill out a "Prayer Request" card found in the pews and place it in the offering plate or into the pastor's hand.

**FLOWER CALENDAR!!!**

The flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please mark the date/dates you would like to put flowers on the altar in honor of or in memory of your loved ones. Please include the name of the contact person for our Administrative Assistant and let her know prior to your Sunday how you would like the announcement printed. Don't forget to sign up now.

The information for the Sunday bulletin should be given to Joyce Rector by email ([cumcw.aa@gmail.com](mailto:cumcw.aa@gmail.com)), by note or by phone (731-6616) the week before the flowers are to be placed in the church.

**All events are listed on the calendar. Formal announcements must be given to the church office. Ongoing events will be listed as scheduled unless changes are given to the church office.**

## THIS WEEK AT CENTER

### Sunday (April 14)-Palm Sunday & Sunday School Showcase

8:45 AM CenTered Worship (CFC)  
10:00 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Worship Service  
6:00 PM Youth (CFC)  
6:00 PM Admin. Board Meeting (FH)  
7:00 PM Cub Scouts

### Monday (April 15)-NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

2-5:00 PM Meals of Love (CFC Kitchen)  
5:30 PM Family Night Volleyball (CFC)  
7:00 PM Boy Scouts

### Tuesday (April 16)

6:30 PM Evangelism Team Meeting (FH)

### Wednesday (April 17)

6:30 PM Youth (MoJoe's)

### Thursday (April 18) Maundy Thursday

4-9:00 PM AHG Making Cookies for Hospice (FH)  
6-7:30 PM Drop In Communion Served (Sanctuary)  
7:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

### Friday (April 19)

All Day UMM Boston Butts Grilled Event (CFC)

### Saturday (April 20)

2-6:00PM Feeding Homeless Shelter (CFC-Kitchen)

### Next Sunday (April 21) – Easter Sunday

7:00 AM SONriseWorship Service (Cemetery)  
7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (CFC)  
9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Combined Worship Service (CFC)  
6:00 PM Youth (CFC)  
7:00 PM Cub Scouts

### 2019 EASTER EVENTS FOR YOU!

#### **Maundy Thursday with Holy Communion Only**

*Thursday, April 18* 6-7:30 PM (Sanctuary)  
Please Celebrate at Your Convenience

#### **Easter Sunday, April 21**

SONrise Worship at Cemetery @ 7:00 AM  
UMM's Easter Breakfast following in CFC-7:30 AM

Sunday School @ 9:30 AM  
Combined Worship in the CFC @ 10:30 AM

**Easter Monday, April 22, 2019** – Office Closed

## MEMORY AND HONOR

### *In Memory of Nancy Lanier*

*Budget Fund*

Ann Robbins

Laverne Leonard

Bud and Jean Sink

Henrietta Hayes

Wayne and Reida Snyder

United Methodist Women

Dawn Essick

Pete and Rita Jones

### *In Memory of Nancy Lanier*

*Youth Mission Trips Fund*

Steve and Molly Long

## Maundy Thursday Change

Please note, change of service for Maundy Thursday. Communion will be served from 6-7:30 PM. Please come celebrate communion at your convenience during this specified time.

Safe Sanctuary Classes: May 21st, June 4th, June 20th at 6:30pm

It's about that time again. Vacation Bible School is just around the corner and we are looking for volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Tina Fulcher. We are having a few Safe Sanctuary classes to get everyone ready for the big event!! If you have not taken the class or if you would like just a refresher course, please contact Angie Leonard and schedule a day! The dates available are May 21, June 4, And June 20 at 6:30pm. The location of the class will be determined at a later date. Hope to see you there!!

## SIMPLE SERVANTS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS-NEW SERIES

The Simple Servants Sunday School Class will begin a new series titled "Jesus Is \_\_\_\_\_: Find a New Way to Be Human" by Judah Smith. Your answer could shed light on the path to becoming who you were made to be. All are welcome especially those not attending any class currently. We begin this series today, April 14, at 10:00 AM.

## EVANGELISM TEAM MEETING, TUESDAY, APRIL 16, AT 6:30 PM

The Evangelism Team will meet on Tuesday, April 16 at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone wanting to jump on board are welcome to join us for this planning session. The team is putting plans into action and there is more to come.

## Evangelism:

The Evangelism Team is currently offering the opportunity for all of our church members to be a part of the revitalized Greeters and Doorstep connection. Many of you heard about this last week. During the next 3 Sundays, the Evangelism Team will join those currently serving in these positions and we invite anyone to come and join us to learn more about what's going on!! We will be side by side, knowing we are doing what God has commanded us to do together!!! Give Debbie Williams a call 336-416-6573. You'll be glad you took the step.

## SMALL STUFFED ANIMALS NEEDED FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:

**The American Heritage Girls, the Scouts, and the Youth are teaming up for a great cause again this year!**

**Each month we are asking for donations of certain items to help fill the boxes for operation Christmas Child. For the month of April, we are asking for small stuffed animals for boys or girls that can fit in shoeboxes. We will have a bin at the narthex in the CFC as well as the sanctuary. After receiving the different items each month, we hope to have a large amount of items to be able to pack. We will host a packing night for the entire church to come, fellowship and pack the donated items. Then the Youth will go and deliver all the boxes. Please note: we will still offer boxes for you to take home as well in fall. This is a great opportunity for the scouting programs and the Youth to come together with our church family for a great cause! We will keep you updated monthly on what items are needed next.**

**Thank you for your support and please contact Angie Leonard or Hunter Duncan with any questions.**