

QUESTIONS



We Ask God

Why Is Jesus Special?

March 24, 2024

The congregation of Washington Street UMC praises and serves God from the heart of the city in ways that reach our neighbors near and far. We welcome and affirm all who seek the love and mercy of Christ regardless of race, creed, age, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic status. We honor traditions as rooted in our history, our expression of worship, and our respect for theological curiosity. We nonetheless see vital change and ongoing renewal as essential for spiritual growth.



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6th Sunday of Lent Palm Sunday | March 24, 2024 | Purple

(As our worship begins, please silence any electronic devices.

Portable hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.)

PRELUDE

Come, I Thou Traveler Unknown

arr. Dale Wood

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

All: We begin the journey with praise and with joy on our lips;

One: Let us wave palm branches as we anticipate the coming of His kingdom to earth as it is in heaven.

All: We lay our love before Him as the early followers laid down their coats to honor King Jesus.

One: Setting aside all power, glory, and might, Jesus modeled humility, love, and obedience for all of us.

All: So we sing, Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God! Amen.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #280

All Glory, Laud and Honor

ST. THEODULPH

MORNING 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Susan Caskey

(After Children's Moments, children 5 and under may go with the class leader to the 2-3's classroom located on the first floor past the elevator on the left. They may be picked up there, or they will be escorted back to the sanctuary before the benediction.)

ANTHEM

*Lift Up Your Heads
(From Messiah)*

George Frederick Handel

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #888 Affirmation from 1 Corinthians and Colossians

*GLORIA PATRI #70

MEINEKE

*HYMN #270

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna!

ELLACOMBE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 11:1-11

SERMON

“Why is Jesus Special?”
Part VI: Questions We Ask God.

Rev. Becky Shirley

OFFERTORY

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Gilbert Martin

(Giving is easy! Place your gift in the offering plate; text the word “CONNECTIONS” to the number 73256; donate through Realm Connect; visit us online at wsmethodist.org/giving; mail a check to WSUMC, 1401 Washington St., Columbia, SC 29201; or scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin.)

*DOXOLOGY #95

100th OLD

*HYMN #2113 (FWS)

Lamb of God

SWEET LAMB OF GOD

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

O World, I Now Must Leave

Johannes Brahms

**Congregation standing. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue your participation.
When our worship ends, our service begins!*



EASTER BREAKFAST

Sunday, March 31

9:45 am | Threatt Hall

Coffee/Juice Provided

POT LUCK!

**BRING SOMETHING
TO SHARE!**

- Photo stations to take your own Easter family photos!
- Bring flowers to place on the flower cross*

*(*cross will be moved to the Sanctuary before the service)*

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PRAYER THOUGHT

As we celebrate Palm Sunday, help us welcome Jesus Christ into our lives each day.

ABSENCE OF FLOWERS DURING LENT

Throughout Lent, we will not have flowers on the altar during this season of austerity and simple reflection. We hope this absence of flowers will amplify the resurrection message of the Easter flowers when they arrive!

PRAYER LIST

Karen Basso	Nancy Epting	Jean Kanes	Shawn Powers
Ann Bell	Carl Evans	Beverly McClanahan	Genie Quinn
John Benfield	Pat Griffin	Paul McClanahan	Nancy Williams
Ron Bowden	Karen Horne	Sharon McCullough	Our homebound
Mickey Epting	Lisa Johnson	Ellen Parker	

VOLUNTEERS SERVING TODAY

Acolyte	Lucy Woods
Ushers	Lisa & Vickie Voegeli
Greeters	Ute, Shelley Stafford
Children’s Moment	Susan Caskey
Sound/Video/Projection	Lynn Shirley,
	Spencer Stevens
Visitor Cards	Suzanne Joye
Children’s Church	Kristie Rowe
	Hayden Rowe
	Heidi Ankeny
Nursery	Cecelia Daigle,
	Sarah Munoz
Online Moderator	Ed McClain

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

As of 3-21-24
Church Budget: \$ Pending.
YTD
Church Actual \$167,447
Soup Cellar \$ 12,411
Foundation \$ 650



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