

UNIVERSITY



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

March 25, 2018
Palm/Passion Sunday
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Jesus, when you rode into Jerusalem
the people waved palms
with shouts of acclamation.
Grant that when the shouting dies
we may still walk beside you even to a cross....*

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Meditation on Ecce Lignum Crucis
(Behold the Wood of the Cross)*

Anton Heiller
1923-1979

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Worship Register and pass it on to your neighbor.

INTROIT

The Junior and Children's Choirs
Hosanna! Blessed is He that comes.
He that comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Christian Gregor
1723-1801

*OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 118, Matthew 21:9

One: This is the day the Lord has made.

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

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

**All: Save us, we beseech you, Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!**

*HYMN 196 “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” *Valet Will ich dir Geben*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy One,
With our lips, we sing of your glory,
but our hearts are often far from you.
We are quick to pursue what is popular
and slow to pick up what is costly.
We watch as rulers of this world flex their military might;
the way of peace seems elusive and foolhardy.
We want to follow you whole-heartedly,
but we shudder at the thought of such sacrifice.
Save us, we beseech you, O Lord.**

*Silent Confession

*Kyrie Eleison

Arr. David N. Johnson

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have
mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*The Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

The congregation is invited to exchange the peace of Christ with one another, greeting each other with the words above. During cold and flu season, please share your greetings with warmth and affection and refrain from shaking hands. We hope to promote the peace of Christ and the health of all.

*Response of Praise

(*Hymnal*, 196)

**Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King!
All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring**

OFFERING OF PENNIES FOR HUNGER

(As the ushers come forward, please pass the pennies to the center aisle, if you are seated downstairs, or to the right in the balcony. As they are being passed, please join in singing verses 1 and 3 of Hymn 694, “Great God of Every Blessing.”)

THE WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Children, three-years old through third-graders, are invited to come to the front of the Sanctuary for Time with Children. Children under three are invited to come forward with a parent.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 11:1-11

p. 47

(Children's Bible, p. 1169)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“The Road to Glory”

Elizabeth Michael

Time is provided following the sermon for a few moments of personal reflection and prayer.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Confession of 1967

**In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all.
Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people
and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows.
He expressed the love of God in word and deed
and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men and women.
But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people.
His life and teaching judged their goodness,
religious aspirations, and national hopes.
Many rejected him and demanded his death.
In giving himself freely for them,
he took upon himself the judgment
under which everyone stands convicted.
God raised him from the dead,
vindicating him as Messiah and Lord.
The victim of sin became victor,
and won the victory over sin and death for all.**

*HYMN 734

“Hope of the World”

Donne secours

THE THANKSGIVING

*Offertory Sentence

At the Offering,

Herzliebster Jesu, was hast du verbrochen (8:30) Helmut Walcha

(Dearest Jesus, what have you done wrong?)

1907-1991

When I think on Jesu's blood, that he shed upon the rood (*tree*),
I let (*shed*) tears smart (*painful*).
Who of men can be unkind
If Christis blood he hath in mind, entirely in his heart?
Sweet Jesu Christ, what is Thy guilt that Thou for me are spilt,
Flower of unlothfulness (*beauty*)?
I a thief am
But Thou diest;
I am guilty,
But Thou abuyest (*pay the penalty for*)
All my wickness.
Why gavest Thou so much for thine?
What winnest Thou for Thy hard pine (*sorrow*)
Rich in bliss above?
Love, thy heart so deep has sought, that pain of death doth
let (*hinder*) Thee nought of man to win the love.
Sweet Jesu Christ.

~ Words probably by Harry Parker, d. 1470

*Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**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.**

THE SENDING

*HYMN 198 "Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!" *St. Drostan*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL AMEN (11:00) Kenneth Leighton
1929-1988

*ORGAN POSTLUDE

**You are invited to stand, as able.*

Welcome to the Fellowship of University Presbyterian Church

IN GRATEFUL RESPONSE to the grace of God, this community of Christ's Church gathers regularly for worship, study and discernment, and then disperses to carry the love of Jesus Christ into the community and the world beyond these walls. We invite you to lend your own gifts and abilities to our journey of faith together at University Presbyterian Church.

OUR WORSHIPING FAMILY OF FAITH INCLUDES CHILDREN of all ages. Through our excellent childcare program, Sunday morning childcare is available during both worship services for infants, toddlers and preschool children, who will be welcomed by our trained nursery staff and parent volunteers. We strive to provide skilled caregivers to accommodate any special needs. Infants are welcome to remain in the Sanctuary with parents; however, the parlor (located alongside the narthex) is a wonderful place for parents to calm an anxious baby. A special part of our service is the Time with Children, when they are invited to come to the front of the Sanctuary for a message that connects the worship of the day with their unique understanding. If children are new to this experience of coming forward, parents can join them. After the Time with Children, parents of those four years and younger are invited to take their children downstairs to the nurseries (through the door nearest the baptismal font). Please contact the Staff Associate for Children's Ministries, Nancy Myer, at (919) 929-2102 or nancy@upcch.org if there is anything we can do to enhance the Sunday morning experience for your family.

DURING THE 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE, UPC offers Godly Play for kindergarteners and children who are age four (as of September 1). Godly Play is designed for worship education and faith formation and is a time of storytelling and creative play. Following the Time with Children, kindergarteners and four-year-olds go with the Godly Play Assistant through the door to the left of the pulpit to the Godly Play room. Younger children exit through the door near the parking lot and baptismal font.

Worship Notes

AS A COURTESY TO OTHERS, please turn off or silence all cellular phones, pagers, and other electronic devices for the duration of worship.

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP TODAY: *Preacher:* Elizabeth Michael, Interim Associate Pastor. *Liturgists:* John Rogers, Associate Pastor for Campus Ministry; Kate Fiedler, Associate Pastor for Adult Ministries; Nancy Myer, Staff Associate for Children's Ministries; Margaret LaMotte Torrence, Interim Pastor. *Choir Director and Organist:* Thomas Brown, Minister of Music. *Junior Choir Director:* Beth Auman Visser. *Junior Choir Accompanist:* Betsy Carmichael.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY: **At 8:30:** *Greeters:* Cliff and Linda Butler. *Ushers:* David and Kathy Clemmons (captains), Vicki Lotz, Ron Adams. **At 11:00:** *Greeters:* Mark and Allison Chandler. *Ushers:* Patty Baum (captain), Bob Johnson, Carolyn Karpinos, Edith Lino, Lawrence Sizemore, Daniel Mosteller. *Godly Play Leaders:* Ann Henschel, Mary Perkins. *Handicapped Parking Assistant:* Rob Reda.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION today is from *A New Zealand Prayer Book*, published by the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia, HarperSan Francisco, 1989.

HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES are set aside on Sunday directly in front of the church on Franklin Street, and four spaces are available in the church parking lot off Robertson Lane. Please reserve these spaces for those with handicap parking permits.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS and portable hearing devices are available every Sunday in the narthex.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Acts 10:34-43; Isa. 25:6-9; Ps. 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Cor. 15:1-11; John 20:1-18; Mark 16:1-8.

THE WORSHIP BULLETIN, the weekly calendar, the announcements and UPC's newsletter are posted on the church Website at www.upcch.org.

Worship Notes

THIS MORNING'S ORGAN VOLUNTARY was written by Anton Heiller (1923-1979), the well-known international recitalist and Professor of Organ at the *Hochschule für Musik in Vienna*. He was particularly renowned for his interpretation of the music of J.S. Bach. He was also a gifted composer. *Ecce Lignum Crucis* (*Behold, the Wood of the Cross*) was composed in January, 1967, and is a 'meditation,' a musical contemplation of the Passion and death of Jesus Christ. It uses as its main theme the Gregorian Chant (*Ecce Lignum Crucis*) appointed for the unveiling of the Cross in the Roman Catholic Good Friday liturgy. The second section of the work expresses the brutality of the Crucifixion, with dissonant harmonies in irregular rhythmic patterns representing the nailing of Jesus to the cross. In the final section, the chant is restated, this time accompanied by the German Christmas Carol *Es sungen drei Engel* (*Three Angels Sang*) heard on the organ's string stops. This juxtaposition underscores the dichotomy of the crèche and the cross. The carol also appears in homage to Heiller's mentor, composer Paul Hindemith, who used it in his masterpiece *Mathis de Maler*. Heiller's haunting and moving *Ecce Lignum Crucis* concludes with the death of Jesus, in dissonance and without resolution. It was my honor to have studied with Anton Heiller during a special summer Master Class when he visited Colorado State University in 1973.

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are in honor of the wedding yesterday of Lindsey Williams and Frederic Schultz.

NEW MEMBERS WILL BE WELCOMED on Sunday, April 8. They will gather in the Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 service and will be welcomed during worship the following Sunday. We welcome new members every other month. If you are interested in becoming a part of our faith community, please contact Kate Fiedler or Elizabeth Michael at (919) 929-2102.

THIS THURSDAY WE WILL CELEBRATE the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during our Maundy Thursday worship service. Please take some prayerful time this week to prepare for this sacrament.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING: On Easter Sunday, April 1, we will be receiving the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. Since 1949, Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through this special offering to share God's love with those in need. This offering helps support the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Self-Development of People program, and the Presbyterian Hunger Program.

THE BENEDICTION frequently offered by Margaret is adapted from an anointing liturgy by Jim Cotter.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON ROBERTSON LANE. It is fine to park in the designated pull-in parking spaces, but the road itself is a fire lane and must be kept clear. Thank you for your understanding.

SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday

March 29, 7:30 p.m. Worship Service, Communion by Intinction

Good Friday

March 30, 7:30 p.m. Worship Service, Service of *Tenebrae*

Easter/Resurrection of the Lord

April 1, 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services
One Great Hour of Sharing Offering received
Easter Brunch, 9:45 a.m. (No Sunday School)



Welcome to University Presbyterian Church

News and Opportunities
March 25, 2018

Mission Study Team Update

Why do you participate in the life of University Presbyterian Church? What do you think God is calling UPC to do and to be? How can we strengthen the congregation to respond to God's call? The Mission Study Team wants to hear from you! We are continuing our facilitated group conversations, and you are invited to join us in Dunham Hall for the last Sunday School hour conversation **today, March 25**. If you haven't already joined a conversation, *please plan to attend this session*. If you missed these conversations or would like to share more thoughts, the team gratefully welcomes your comments, questions, and suggestions via our website (upcch.org/missionstudy), email (missionstudyteam@upcch.org), or conversation with any team member. We deeply believe that your contributions are central to the value of our Mission Study Report, and we sincerely hope you will share your thoughts and opinions in the coming weeks. Thank you for your prayers and support!

New Temporary Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care

Session is pleased to announce that the Reverend Hillary Bergman Cheek has accepted the invitation to share ministry with UPC. Hillary is currently serving as the Associate Pastor at Hopewell Presbyterian Church in Huntersville, NC, where she has particular interests in worship and pastoral care. She will begin at UPC on May 14. Please visit upcch.org/hillary-bergman-cheek to learn more about her.

2018 Congregational Retreat

The UPC Congregational Retreat registration is open! Go to www.upcch.org/retreat to get your spot in Assembly Inn reserved for this year's retreat, "Spirit on the Move," September 7-9, 2018, in Montreat. Don't miss this incredible weekend in beautiful Montreat with your church family. Through the lens of the Pentecost story, we'll explore how the Holy Spirit is at work in our own lives and our Church. There will be pottery, paddle boating, hiking, BBQ, barn dancing, campfire, energizers, and more fun than you thought possible in 36 hours. Join in!

Gifts of Beauty and Bounty

Join us this year as we honor and memorialize the special people in our lives with Gifts of Beauty and Bounty. You may give an Easter Lily to decorate the chancel for Easter, make a contribution to the Inter-Faith Council, or both. The names of those we honor or remember will appear in the Easter Sunday Worship Bulletin on April 1. To print an order form, go to upcch.org/resources or see the March edition of *The Chimes*. **Forms must be received by noon tomorrow March 26.**

Women's Retreat

All women are invited to attend the UPC spring retreat on Saturday, April 21, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., at New Hope Camp & Conference Center. Edna Banes will guide the group in the theme of *Celtic Spirituality*. **Registration will be open until March 30, so register today.** Go to upcch.org/2018-womens-retreat. Email Kate Fiedler with questions (kate@upcch.org). Join us!

Over 65 Lunches

If you're over 65 (or close to it), plan to gather in the Parlor today after 11:00 a.m. worship for our last Dutch treat lunch for this program year. We'll walk to a nearby downtown restaurant for some good food and fellowship. This lunch is sponsored by the Congregational Life Committee. Hosts are Gwen Waddell-Schultz and Jim Schultz. (Proof of age not required!) Call Gwen at (919) 357-4225 with questions.

Easter Brunch

On Easter Sunday, April 1, our UPC family will gather for the Easter Brunch at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The Congregational Life Committee and Deacons will co-host this potluck fellowship brunch. Beverages will be provided, and we ask that each member of the congregation bring a breakfast dish to share (quiche, muffins, fruit, etc.). Savory breakfast dishes, as well as fruit, are greatly appreciated. The Easter Brunch takes the place of Second Sunday Lunch in April and will be the last gathering of the program year. All are welcome!

Easter Egg Hunt

On Easter Sunday, April 1, children are invited to gather in Vance Barron Hall at 10:15 a.m. to hear the Easter story followed by an egg hunt on the front lawn as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. This year's Easter Egg Hunt is sponsored by Parents of Young Presbyterians (PYPs). Please join us!

Presbyterian Youth Connection

This Sunday is a small groups week for PYC. Be sure to watch your email for updates on changes in dates and times for your small group to work around spring break schedules. PYC will meet again on Sunday, April 8, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. For more information about PYC, contact Kim McNeill at kim@upcch.org.

Adult Education: Today, 9:45-10:45

Living Out Our Faith: *Outreach at UPC:* Join us to learn more about the broad-based span of our Outreach Program at UPC. This week: Our own Brian Kileff will share a presentation about the Kachele Village Project in Zambia. Brian and his wife Moyra have been longtime supporters of Kathleen Harding, the amazing Englishwoman who founded and has nurtured this community in Africa, originally working with children of lepers in the small village there. The program has grown exponentially and has a community school, a church and community gathering places where food is shared. Facilitators: UPC Outreach Committee. Location: Vance Barron Hall.

Faith and the Arts: *Faith Stories:* This class is reading a collection of stories by wonderful writers on "varieties and vagaries of faith," *Faith Stories*, edited by Michael Curtis. This week: The discussion continues with the next story, "Resurrection of a Life" by William Saroyan. Facilitator: Jack Benjamin. Location: Terrace Room.

Youth, Junior, and Children's Choirs

The Youth Choir (grades 6-12) will rehearse today from 5-6. We are preparing to sing April 22 and May 6 in worship and for the Youth Benefit Concert on May 6 at 7:00 p.m. at Binkley Baptist Church. Now is a great time to join this choir. See you at rehearsal! There will be no rehearsals over Easter weekend. Contact Beth Visser at visser@upcch.org for more information.

The Junior Choir (grades 2-6) will rehearse today from 4:15-4:55 and is working on their spring musical, *It's Cool in the Furnace*. Performance dates are April 27 at 7:00 p.m. and April 29 at 8:30 a.m. There will be no rehearsals over Easter weekend. The next Saturday rehearsal is April 7 from 4:30-6:00. Contact Beth Visser at visser@upcch.org for more information.

The Children's Choir (grades K-2) will rehearse today from 3:45-4:15 and is working on their spring musical, *It's Cool in the Furnace*. Performance dates are April 27 at 7:00 p.m. and April 29 at 8:30 a.m. There will be no rehearsals over Easter weekend. Contact Beth Visser at visser@upcch.org for more information.

Easter—The Time of Resurrection

Easter is a time of joy. The signs of new life are all around. But in your own life, things are blighted. Consider the caring, listening support of a Stephen Minister. Please contact Elizabeth Michael, Interim Associate Pastor, at elizabeth@upcch.org or (919) 929-2102, or you may visit upcch.org/stephen-ministry to learn more.

Volunteers Wanted for Meal Train

The Meal Train is a newly formed Deacon Care Team responsible for developing a list of congregational volunteers to bring meals to individuals or families dealing with short-term illness. If you would be willing to be such a volunteer, please contact Susan Swafford at 919-929-8735 or susan.swafford@swaffordmontgomery.com or Ron Adams at 919-942-2525 or adams.ron@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendar for UPC's Vacation Bible School! We will gather June 25-28 at New Hope Camp & Conference Center. Our theme will be "Rolling River Rampage." Along the river, children will discover that life with God is an adventure full of wonder and surprise and that they can always trust God to be with them. Online registration is open for members and non-members. Go to upcch.org/vacation-bible-school. Please go to goo.gl/forms/VPRa5i35IggSsFnA3 to register as a volunteer. If you have questions, please contact Nancy Myer at nancy@upcch.org, Stephanie Duncan at seduncan1@hotmail.com, or Stacey Lange at stacey.lange@gmail.com.

Wooden oars needed for VBS: Do you own a wooden oar or canoe paddle—or perhaps more than one—that's laying around that you no longer use? We would love to repurpose it for use at Vacation Bible School this summer! Please contact Nancy Myer at nancy@upcch.org if you have any number of oars to donate.

Presbyterian Women's Birthday Dinner

Save the date! All women of the church are invited to the Presbyterian Women's Birthday Dinner. Please join us on Tuesday, May 8, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We'll enjoy a delicious catered dinner (cost \$15), hear a guest speaker, and learn what Presbyterian Women, locally and nationwide, have done this last year. The dinner will feature musical entertainment by Metrognomes. During the dinner, a birthday offering will be received to support PW charities. You may even win a special birthday prize! To RSVP, place your \$15 check (made out to "UPC" with "PW Dinner" in the memo line) in the offering plate or mail your check to the church office (209 East Franklin Street, Chapel Hill, NC 27514). Checks must be received by Sunday, April 29. Please contact Daphne Little (crowlittle@aol.com) or Cass Swon (cassswon@gmail.com) with questions.

Announcements from the Larger Community

Cultivating Mental Health: Hope and Healing, a Faith Connections on Mental Illness Conference, is a day-long interfaith conference focusing on addiction, depression in the elderly, and mental health resources available in the community. UPC is a long-time friend of the event, Faith Connections on Mental Illness, which seeks to advise faith communities on how to care for and support families and individuals living with mental illness. This conference will be held at St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Chapel Hill on Friday, April 13, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. For information/registration, please visit www.faithconnections-on-mentalillness.org/annual-conference.html.

Join other young adults at UPC for a service day with Habitat for Humanity on Saturday, April 14, in Efland (just 15 minutes from Chapel Hill). For questions or more information, contact Catherine McKenas (cmckenas@live.unc.edu).

To raise awareness for mental illness, NAMIWalks will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018 at MidTown Park - North Hills in Raleigh. The 5K (3.1 miles) path is a double-loop through neighborhoods that allows for a shorter route. Faith Connections on Mental Illness has invited UPC to join their team. There is no cost to participate. Individuals who raise \$100 in contributions will receive a free NAMIWalks T-shirt from event organizers. Even if you can't walk, donations are gratefully accepted. Learn more at www.namiwalks.org/team/FCOMI or contact Deby Dihoff at ddihoff@nc.rr.com 919-210-3992 or Kim Batson at kmccbat@aol.com or 919-265-9820.

This Week and Next at University Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 25: Palm/Passion Sunday

8:30 & 11:00	Worship Services (Nursery: Room 130/134)
9:00	Middle School DC Service Trip departs
9:30	Coffee on the Landing
9:45-10:45	Sunday School for all ages
3:30-5:00	PYC Small Groups
3:45-4:10	Children's Choir: Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite
4:15-4:55	Junior Choir: Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite
5:00-6:00	Youth Choir: Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite

Monday, March 26

5:00-6:30	Endowment Committee: Vance Barron Hall
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Tuesday, March 27

10:00	Bulletin announcement deadline
7:00-9:00	Mission Study Team: Dunham Hall

Wednesday, March 28

5:00	Middle School DC Service Trip returns
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Thursday, March 29: Maundy Thursday

12:30-2:00	Woman to Woman: Chapel Hill Library Room D
7:30	Maundy Thursday Worship Service: Sanctuary
8:30-9:30	Chancel Choir: Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite

Friday, March 30: Good Friday

12:00	Church office closed
7:30	Good Friday Worship Service: Sanctuary

Sunday, April 1: Easter Sunday

8:30 & 11:00	Worship Services (Nursery: Room 130/134)
9:45-10:45	Easter Brunch: Fellowship Hall
10:15	Easter Egg Hunt: Front Lawn

Monday, April 2

	Church office closed
6:30-8:00	Nominating Committee: Dunham Hall

**Remember, there is FREE parking at the
Rosemary Street parking deck on Sundays.**