



Please join us after worship today in the Parlor for Coffee Hour and fellowship. Your hosts today are Sarah Cartwright and Elsie Antolin.

A reminder: Shop at any Dash's Market and turn your receipt(s) into CASH for our church! Dash's Markets give us \$125 for every \$5,000 worth of receipts. Box on table in narthex.

First Fruits Food Pantry for March: Tuna, peanut butter, chicken or tomato soups, canned green beans, macaroni, stuffing, rice, beans.

NEW! Holy Week Morning Prayer

Monday through Friday this week, March 25-29, the Beard Ave. entrance will be open beginning at 8:15am for prayers in the chapel. Each morning at 8:30am, Pastor Mary will read aloud the lectionary scripture readings for that day (hand outs on table in Narthex).

Prepare your hearts and minds to receive the Good News of the Resurrection. Make this Holy Week a special time of prayer and spiritual growth.

Holy Week Services & Special Events

Maundy Thursday March 28 at 6:30pm in the chapel
Foot washing & Holy Communion

Good Friday March 29 NOON Vigil in the chapel
The story of Jesus's Passion told in scripture

Good Friday March 29 6:30pm Tenebrae Service in the chapel
As the story of the Passion is read, candles are extinguished to symbolize the coming darkness of Jesus's death.

Easter Sunday Worship March 31 at 10:30am
Easter Egg Hunt for children after the service.



You are
welcome
here.

RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK



March 24th, 2024

Palm Sunday

Children's Sunday

Central Park United Methodist Church

216 Beard Ave. ~ Buffalo NY 14214

Website: centralparkcomplex.com

E-Mail: help@centralparkcomplex.com

Clara's Closet Website: clarasclosetbuffalo.org

Rev. Mary A. Kelly, Pastor

Mr. Matthew Caputy, Minister of Music
Lector/Eucharistic Minister: **Ms. Kyle Tidwell**
Videographer: **Ms. Betty Murphy**

*We are a Christ-centered community of faith and love,
reaching out to all.*

*The palms at the altar today are designed by Jackie Paterniti
and dedicated to the glory of God.*

Prelude Excerpt from Sonata No. 2 Alexander Scriabin

Greeting

+Call to Worship:

We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

**We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips;
we will travel through betrayal and death,
cradling hope deep in our hearts.**

*Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow,
for he is the life we long for,
he is the Word who sustains us.*

**We wave palm branches in anticipation;
we lay our love before him, to cushion his walk.**

*Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes:
modeling humility and obedience for all of us.*

Hosanna! Hosanna!

Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God.

+Processional with Palms: Hymnal #280

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Call to Confession: Feasting on the Word Lenten Companion

The Lord sees our hearts

and knows our innermost thoughts.

We can deny our wrongs to ourselves

but we cannot hide them from God.

As we confess our sins, let us do so knowing

we say nothing that is not already known to God,

who is not fooled by our strength, but loves us

in our weakness.

Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Lord Jesus Christ, how well you know our hearts.

And still you love us— you have loved us to the end.

**We have denied you, and we have denied our calling
to serve one another.**

We have betrayed you,

**and we have betrayed your commandment
to love one another.**

Pour out your Spirit of grace upon us.

Teach us to love and serve you faithfully

**and to love and serve one another
by the example you have set for us; in your holy name we pray.**

Assurance of God’s Love:

Now the Lord Jesus Christ has been glorified,

and God has been glorified in him.

Now the promise is fulfilled,

and love’s redeeming work is done.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Choral Anthem: John Purifoy

“How Blest is He Who Comes ”

*Listen with love to God’s instruction revealed in the scriptures
we’re about to hear...*

+The Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11 pew Bible page #23

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God!

The Message: A Time for Children The Rev. Mary A. Kelly

+Hymn: “Tell Me the Stories of Jesus” Hymnal #277

Tithes and Offerings

Blessing Our Gifts

Offertory Anthem: Dwight Gustafson

“Alas! And Did my Savior Bleed”

Holy Communion Hymnal #13

The Lord’s Prayer Hymnal #895

+Hymn: “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” Hymnal #474

+The Gospel: Mark 14:26-50 pew Bible page #52

+Closing Hymn: Hymnal #290

“Go to Dark Gethsemane” (vss. 1-3)

+Benediction Feasting on the Word Worship Companion

Go in peace, assured of God’s presence with you,

with the end of Christ Jesus as your path and guide,

and the constant companionship of the Holy Spirit.

+Postlude Improvisation

+denotes standing, as you are able.