

**First United Methodist Church of Freehold
Bulletin**

**Palm/Passion Sunday
March 24, 2024**

Welcome and Announcements:

Dan Tagatac

We will be gathering outside of the front door with our palm branches following the announcements.

*Hymn of Proclamation:

"Shout to the Lord"

TFWS #2074

PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

Pastor: Hear from the Gospel according to Mathew 21:5-9 how our Lord Jesus entered into Jerusalem.

THE PEOPLE'S RESPONSE: (*Waving Palm Branches)

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made!

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it! *

Leader: Open wide the gates of your hearts.

People: Let the Savior enter! *

Leader: Hosanna to the Son of David!

People: Hosanna in the highest! *

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

People: Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! *

*Processional Hymn:

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

UMH #278

*Opening Prayer: (In Unison)

Almighty God, on this day, your Son, Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem and was proclaimed King by those who spread their garments and palm branches along his way. Let those branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our Lord, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life. In his name we pray. Amen.

*Praise Song:

"Ride On, King Jesus"

Spiritual

Introduction to Prayer:

Rev. Yoseb Jeon

[For those joining us online, please submit your prayer requests in the comments on the virtual attendance sheet, or email the church office. Your prayer requests will be lifted up in next Sunday's service.]

Prayer Hymn:

"I Love to Tell the Story"
(V. 1 and Chorus)

UMH #156

Pastoral Prayer:

Rev. Yoseb Jeon

The Lord's Prayer:

UMH #895

Scripture Reading:

Mark 15:22-34

Karen Bennett

Friendship Moment and Passing of the Peace

[For those joining us online, please take a moment to sign the online attendance form:

www.freeholdmethodisst.org]

Message: "The Wounded Healer" Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Invitation to the Offering: Rev. Yoseb Jeon
The Special Offering for the month of March will benefit **UMCOR** (United Methodist Committee on Relief).
Giving Page: www.freeholdmethodist.org/give

Offertory: "Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him" Franz Joseph Haydn
(F.U.M.C. Choir)

*Doxology: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

*Offering Prayer:
We thank you, Christ Jesus, for your steadfast faithfulness and your humble leadership in our world. Bless the gifts we return to you now, that they may guide others to follow you and walk humbly in your ways. Amen.

*Closing Hymn: "We Sang Our Glad Hosannas" TFWS #2111

*Benediction: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

*Postlude: "We Sang Our Glad Hosannas" Keithahn & Horman
(Instrumental)

Scripture Passage for Sunday, March 24, 2024
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Liturgist: Karen Bennett

²² They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means "the place of the skull"). ²³ Then they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. ²⁴ And they crucified him. Dividing up his clothes, they cast lots to see what each would get.

²⁵ It was nine in the morning when they crucified him. ²⁶ The written notice of the charge against him read: THE KING OF THE JEWS.

²⁷ They crucified two rebels with him, one on his right and one on his left. ^[28] ^[a] ²⁹ Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying, "So! You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, ³⁰ come down from the cross and save yourself!" ³¹ In the same way the chief priests and the teachers of the law mocked him among themselves. "He saved others," they said, "but he can't save himself! ³² Let this Messiah, this king of Israel, come down now from the cross, that we may see and believe." Those crucified with him also heaped insults on him.

The Death of Jesus

³³ At noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴ And at three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" (which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?").^[b]

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

Hymn of Proclamation:

“Shout to the Lord”

TFWS #2074

(Verse)

My Jesus, my Saviour,
Lord, there is none like You.
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter,
Tower of refuge and strength.
Let every breath, all that I am,
Never cease to worship You.

(Chorus)

Shout to the Lord,
All the earth, let us sing
Power and majesty,
Praise to the King.
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy
At the work of Your hands,
Forever I'll love You,
Forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You.

Processional Hymn:
“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

UMH #278

Hosanna, loud hosanna,
The little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple
The lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them
Close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises,
The simplest and the best.

(Continued...)

From Olivet they followed
Mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving,
And chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven
Rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children
Should on His bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!”
That ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer
The Lord of heaven our King.
O may we ever praise Him
With heart and life and voice,
And in His blissful presence
Eternally rejoice!

Praise Song:

“Ride On, King Jesus”

Spiritual

(Refrain)

**Ride on, King Jesus,
No man can hinder me,
Ride on, King Jesus, ride on,
No man can hinder me.**

King Jesus rides on a milk-white horse,
No man can hinder me;
The river Jordan did he cross,
No man can hinder me.

(Refrain)

I know that my redeemer lives,
No man can hinder me;
And of his blessing freely gives,
No man can hinder me.

(Refrain)

(Verse 3)

If you want to find your way to God,
No man can hinder me;
The gospel highway must we trod,
No man can hinder me.

(Refrain)

**Prayer Hymn:
I Love to Tell the Story
UMH #156
(v. 1, and Chorus)**

I love to tell the story
Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory,
Of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story,
Because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings
As nothing else can do.

(Chorus)
I love to tell the story,
'Twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and His love.

**Doxology:
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
UMH #95**

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

**Closing Hymn:
"We Sang Our Glad Hosannas"
TFWS #2111**

We sang our glad hosannas
And waved our branches high,
But somewhere silent, frowning,
As Jesus rode on by.
They sought a royal Savior,
But did not understand
A king could rule by loving
Instead of by command.

(Continued...)

We heard an angry Jesus
In temple courts declare,
"Be gone, you money changers!
This is a house of prayer."
Though many came for healing
And stayed to hear his word,
Still others, hostile, plotted
And thus his death assured.

We served him at the table
With wine, unleavened bread.
"The one who will betray me
Now eats with me," he said.
His friends would not believe him,
But one by one that night,
As soldiers came to take him,
They scurried out of sight.

We saw a suffering Jesus
Alone, without a friend,
And heard the voices shouting
Abuse until the end.
We wept as we stood watching
Love's light grow dim and die,
And cried "Why did this happen?
God tell us, tell us why!"

March 24, 2024 - Announcements:

Welcome to worship at the First United Methodist Church of Freehold on this Palm Sunday. Whether you are joining us online or are here in person, we are glad you are with us.

Easter Flower orders are due today! If you need a form, you can pick one up in Fellowship Hall. You can give your order form with payment to Carol Davison or Susan Zuckerman after service.

The **Elizabeth Circle 2024 Retreat** “Spiritual Preparation for the Storms of Life” will run from Sunday, September 29 – Tuesday, October 1st at The Carriage House, Ocean Grove. \$375/person (\$100 deposit is required to hold your space). Register with Melanie Bowen. All women of the church are invited to attend. SPACE IS LIMITED AND A WAITLIST WILL BE MAINTAINED.

Help is needed to prepare, set-up and clean-up a simple soup and bread meal for our Maundy Thursday service on March 28th. **A soup and bread dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Maundy Thursday service with hand washing in Wesley Hall.** Please sign-up on the sheet in Fellowship Hall.

Introducing AdvenChurch: Deepen friendships via shared experiences with your FUMC family, and beyond. Do you want to know about various trips and outings you can take with church friends and family? Events will range from only barely adventurous day-trips to moderately strenuous group walks; exploring local sites to trying something new. We’ll strive for variety, with offerings for different ages, schedules, abilities, budgets and interests. All details will be included with each invitation/announcement. Anyone may join! Send your email address to Kathy Mulholland at kathymommy@aol.com to join the contact list or offer trip/event suggestions.

Come out for an evening of music and refreshments at United Theatre’s **“Open Mic Night” – Saturday, April 27th at 7:00 p.m. in Wesley Hall.** Whether you want to show off your talent, or just relax and enjoy the entertainment, it’s sure to be a good time. Tickets are \$5. Concessions will be sold at the event. Find us on Facebook and Instagram at **United Theatre Inc.** or contact us at: unitedtheatreinc@gmail.com to sign up.

Grocery Cards (Shop Rite, Acme, and Stop & Shop) will be sold after service.

This Week at a Glance (March 25 – March 31)

Monday:	2:00 p.m. – Elizabeth Circle (Wesley Hall)
Tuesday:	8:30 a.m. – Walking Group (ZOOM)
Wednesday:	10:00 a.m. - Bible Study (Coffee Room) 7:30 p.m. – Seventh Day Adventist Church (Lounge)
Thursday:	8:30 a.m. – Walking Group (ZOOM) 6:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Service and Supper (Wesley Hall)
Friday:	7:30 p.m. - Good Friday Service (Sanctuary)
Saturday:	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. - Seventh Day Adventist Church (Sanctuary & Wesley Hall)
Sunday:	6:30 a.m. - SonRise at the Pond Service (Lake Topanemus) 8:30 a.m. – Seekers Class 8:45 a.m. - Children Sunday School (Classrooms) 9:00 a.m. – Joyful Noise Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 10:00 a.m. – Worship (Sanctuary) (Nursery care for our youngest members is available during worship service.) 11:00 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

**Greater Freehold Clergy Association
Lenten Prayer Service Schedule**

Good Friday
March 29th

Service at 12:00 P.M.
First Baptist Church
81 W. Main Street

Rev. Ruth Scott
Foundational Truth Bible Study
Ministries

Lunch will not be provided on Good Friday

**First United Methodist Church
Holy Week Schedule:**

March 28 – Holy/Maundy Thursday 6:00 p.m. (Wesley Hall)

A soup and bread dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Maundy Thursday service with hand washing.

March 29 – Good Friday 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

**March 31 – Easter Sunday
Sunrise Service at the Pond 6:30 a.m. (Lake Topanemus Park, Freehold)**

Traditional Easter Service 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)

March Birthdays

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| (1) Carly Mento | (16) Andy Schwarzkopf |
| (1) Lindsey Duarte | (16) Brittany Kaiser |
| (2) Nenita Zurick | (17) Susan Zuckerman |
| (4) Rev. Yoseb Jeon | (19) Laura Gatti |
| (4) Mary Sterling | (23) Thomas Healton |
| (4) Ben Sciortino | (23) Morgan Cronin |
| (8) O'Neil Peart | (24) Gregg Kaiser |
| (10) Dylan Pierce | (26) Matthew McQuillan |
| (11) Sue Hager | (27) Glenn Meredith |
| (12) Abigail Davala | (30) Rob Zuckerman |
| (15) Bryan Sampieri | (31) Joanne McKinney |