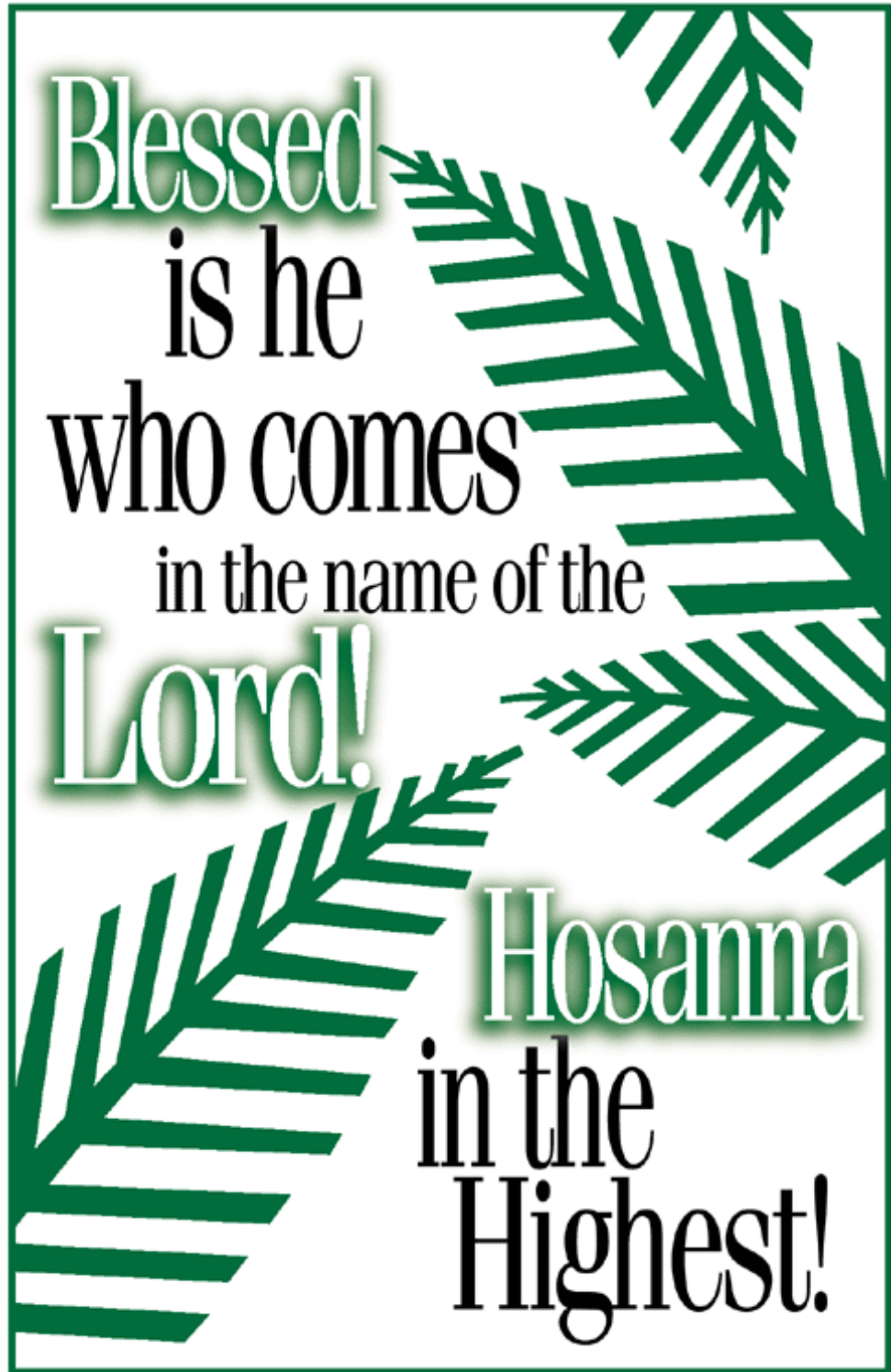


ONE BODY...worshipping together...serving others...growing...IN CHRIST

Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church

March 28, 2010 ~ Fifth Sunday of Lent

Palm Sunday



Welcome!

# The Worship of God

Sanctuary

11 am

## ✻ ENTRANCE ✻

### GATHERING ON THE FRONT LAWN

#### OPENING PRAYER

Dear friends in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection. Today we come together to begin this solemn celebration in union with the Church throughout the world Christ enters his own city to complete his work as our Savior, to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us go with him in faith and love, so that, united with him in his sufferings, we may share his risen life.

*(Palm branches are raised and the people pray together):*

**God our Savior, whose Son Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem as Messiah to suffer and die, let these palms be for us signs of his victory; and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

#### INTROIT

*Prepare the Way of the Lord*..... Michael Burkhardt  
The Carillon Choir

#### The People's Response:

Hosanna to the Son of David!

**Hosanna in the highest!**

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

**Hosanna in the highest!**

#### PROCESSIONAL

The Processional into the Sanctuary will follow this order: Crucifer, Chancel Choir, Horizon Praise Team, Congregation, Children's Choirs, Sunday School Children, and Clergy, with Banner Bearers interspersed. As you enter the Sanctuary begin singing the hymns at the appropriate place with the cantor.

#### † PROCESSIONAL HYMNS

**No. 278** *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna!*.....ELLACOMBE

**No. 280** *All Glory, Laud and Honor*..... ST. THEODULPH

#### ANTHEMS

*Hosanna! Hosanna!*..... Stan Engle  
Serendipities Choir

*Jubilate Procession*.....D. Linda McKechnie  
Wesley Ringers

## ✻ PROCLAMATION ✻

### THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 50:15-21

### THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, and serves as a transition into Holy Week. Also known as Passion Sunday, it is the day on which the Church commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Holy Week continues with the observance of the institution of Communion on Maundy Thursday, and the remembrance of the Crucifixion on Good Friday.

**ANTHEM**

*Prepare Ye the Way* ..... Tommy Walker  
Horizon Praise Team

**THE SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Luke 19:28-40

**ANTHEM**

*Hosanna to the Son of David!* ..... Michael Bedford  
The Carillon Choir

**SERMON** “A Humble Approach”

Rev. Ashley Crowder Stanley

❧ **RESPONSE** ❧

**PASTORAL PRAYER****MISSION MOMENT****THE SERVICE OF GIVING**

(So that strangers might become friends, please sign and pass the Welcome Folders.)

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*The Palms* ..... J. Fauré  
The Chancel Choir

† **DOXOLOGY No. 95**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* ..... OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>  
**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.**

❧ **THANKSGIVING** ❧

† **THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THE 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.**

❧ **SENDING FORTH** ❧

† **CLOSING HYMN No. 295**

*In the Cross of Christ I Glory* ..... RATHBUN

† **BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Go Now In Peace* ..... Robert Lau  
The Chancel Choir

† **CHIMES OF THE TRINITY**† **CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

*Gothic Toccata* ..... Dennis Eliot

† Those who are able, please stand.

*Our service of worship has ended. Our worship through service begins.*

**Worship Participants:** Ashley Crowder Stanley, Senior Minister; Dave Howard, Associate Minister; Michael Dougherty, Director of Music and the Arts; Keith Byrd, Director of Contemporary Music; Frank Pifferetti, Organist; Tom Forrester, Sound Engineer; Matt Amos and Maeson Kelley, Acolytes.

**Ushers for the month of March:** Brett Barbour, Cynatha Carroll, Nancy Ilderton, Howard Regan (Captain), Pat Rosser, Craig Skillman, Ernie Snider and Dwight Steed.

**Greeters for the month of March:** Blades Elliott, Karen Elliott, Hayden McKenzie and Nancy McKenzie.

**Flowers in the Sanctuary** are given to the Glory of God by the Wesley 100 Men's Group.

**Wedding: Kindra Lea Sharrard and Michael Patrick Ingram** were married on March 27, 2010 in Wilmington, NC.

**The Prayer Team invites each of you** to join us this week as we pray for the Trustees.

**A Service of Holy Communion and Prayer,** Wednesdays at 11 am in the Chapel, led by Rev. Richard Howle. (Will not meet on Wednesday, March 31) Come join us and stay for the noon Bible study...

**Wednesday Bible Study lunch,** noon in the Dining Hall. Led by Ashley Crowder Stanley. (Will not meet on Wednesday, March 31) Cost is \$5 per person; reservations required by 2 pm on Monday, to the Church Office, 884-2204. Please join us!

**There are dates available to place flowers in the Sanctuary** ~ April 11, 18 and 25 are currently available. Contact Sue Schoch, 884-2204, ext. 266. Flowers are also welcome in the Chapel and Fellowship Hall. Call now to reserve your date.

#### Upcoming Events ~

- 3/31 - Holy Week
  - NO Mid-Week Communion
  - NO Bible Study lunch
- 4/1 - Maundy Thursday Service, 7:30 pm
- 4/2 - Church Office closed
  - Good Friday Service, 7:30 pm
- 4/4 - Easter Sunday
  - 8:30, 8:45, 9:45 & 11 am services



**On April 11 join us in the Sanctuary at 4 pm** as we celebrate with a Collage Concert presented by all of the musical groups of our church. The Music Ministry of Wesley Memorial comprises four vocal choirs – the Chancel Choir, Youth Choir, Carillon Choir, and Serendipities Choir; three handbell ensembles – the Chancel Bells, the Wesley Ringers, and the Handbell Quartet; and the Horizon Praise Band. Membership in these groups includes well over one hundred people who spend many hours each week in rehearsal and preparation. We also have two of the finest pipe organs in the Piedmont Triad; ten pianos for use in worship, classes and rehearsals; and a multitude of electronic keyboards and audio reinforcement equipment. In all we do we strive to praise God through song.

**The Way Station is now accepting** registrations for “FUN IN THE SON” summer enrichment program; 7:30 am-6 pm. Parents may enroll child for entire summer or just for select weeks. This program is for children who have completed Fours (will be in Kgt Fives this fall) through elementary ages. It is also time to register for 2010-11 school year at Way Station Afterschool. During school year, hours are 1:30-6 pm. To schedule a tour and to meet staff, contact Pamela Hill, Director, 884-8067.

**The Pine Needles Need Your Help!** The Property Committee has decided to purchase pine needles this year but to spread them with volunteer labor. We are doing this to be better stewards in these tight economic times, but to also increase the fellowship opportunities. The plan is to spread 1,000 bales of pine needles on our campus before Easter. **We'll be working on Saturday morning, April 3 from 9 am until 1 pm.** We'll need about 30 to 35 volunteers.



**The Campbell Choral Scholars** will present vocal music during the 8:30 am Chapel service on Easter Sunday. Selections from Handel's Messiah as well as compositions by Mozart, Young and Mallote. The musical prelude will begin at 8:15 am.

**Easter offering** envelopes are in the pews and on tables for your Easter offering. Please search your hearts and give accordingly. Your generosity will help the Local Mission Team give to the community gardens at Macedonia Family Center and Ward Street Mission. This program allows members of the community to grow their own fruits and vegetables to feed their families, share with others and sell any surplus at the Ward Street Farmer's Market.



Your generosity will also help the Global Mission Team give to the El Renueva Methodist Church in Lares, Puerto Rico. This is a growing, energetic Methodist congregation that started in a tent on the property they bought several years ago. Teams from the Western NC Conference, including teams from Wesley Memorial, are now in the final stages of working on the new sanctuary. These are wonderful Christian people that need help to complete their church.

As you can see this year's Easter offering will help God's work continue and impact others not as fortunate.

**Benefit and Blood Drive for Kate Thornton~ Saturday, April 10, 9 am - 1:30 pm, in the Dining Hall.** Food & Bake Sale in the foyer. (If you would like to donate an item, bring to the Susans on Thursday or Friday before) Entertainment in the Fellowship Hall. To schedule an appointment please contact Annette Barger at 847-2883 or 869-7701. Walk-ins will be available the day of the drive. Drop in childcare is available in the Way Station area while parents give blood. Please come and support Kate and her family!



**Easter Egg Hunt ~ Sunday, March 28, 4 pm** ~ Toddlers through 2nd graders come out for the "YOUNGER KIDS" Easter Egg Hunt! We'll begin in the Dining Hall with creative activities & a snack while the Easter Bunny hides our eggs in 6 different age-level areas. Each child needs to bring one dozen plastic eggs containing individually-wrapped candies, stickers, or bubbles. (Bring 12— then find 12 at the Hunt.) \*Don't forget your Easter basket and your camera!

### Wesley Wow

Sometimes less is better. For example, less unwanted catalogs in your mailbox. Less phone calls at dinner time. Less emails in your inbox. Well, Wesley Memorial can help with that last one. Soon, we'll be streamlining some of the regular email messages coming from the church into a single all-in-one weekly message. The new and improved Wesley Weekly – sent out each Tuesday – will include:

- a message from the minister who is preaching that week, discussing the theme for worship, sermon title and scripture, and other information about the service.
- a handy, easy-to-follow list of church events for the coming week.

If you are already receiving one of the e-posts or the current Wesley Weekly, you will automatically receive the new Wesley Weekly. And, if you've been meaning to sign up to get the weekly update from Wesley Memorial, all you have to do is visit [www.wesleymemorial.org](http://www.wesleymemorial.org), and find the link to subscribe to Wesley Weekly e-Post on the left side of the screen. One click will take you to the simple sign-up instructions. It's just that easy.



### Report from the Church Office: March 21, 2010

#### Attendance:

Total in Church last Sunday: 639

#### Finances:

Pledge & Offering Revenues	\$ 12,601.07
Budgeted Weekly Goal	36,750.00
Difference	\$ <u>(24,148.93)</u>

*Thank You for Your Generosity!*

## ***Holy Week Events:***

⌘ **Easter Egg Hunt ~ Today, 4 pm** ~ Toddlers through 2nd graders

⌘ **Wednesday, March 31** ~ There will **not** be MidWeek Communion or Bible Study lunch during Holy Week

⌘ **Thursday, April 1 ~ Maundy Thursday**  
Worship Service at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary

⌘ **Friday, April 2 ~ Good Friday**  
The Chancel Choir will present Dubois' *Seven Last Words of Christ* –  
7:30 pm in the Sanctuary

⌘ **April 4 ~ Easter Sunday**  
**"Even Though"** ~ **Luke 24:1-12; Psalm 23,**  
Rev. Ashley Crowder Stanley, preaching  
Remember to bring fresh flowers for the cross in front of the Sanctuary.

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