# **Let the Rocks Cry Out!**

(8:45 Special Music) by Larson

### Chorus

Let the rocks cry out in joyous sounds of praise! Let the people shout with voices gladly raised! Sing hosanna, hosanna! Messiah comes today. Sing hosanna, hosanna! The Savior's on His Way! Let the rocks cry out, let the people shout, "Blessed be the name of the Lord!"

Lift your voice and sing in glad adoration; Praise to God on high! See the King who comes in grand celebration, For He comes in the name of the Lord! (Chorus)

Lift up your heads, O gates, you ancient doors, Let the King of glory in. He is strong and mighty, this King of glory, And He comes in the name of the Lord! (Chorus)

# Palm Sunday Processional

(11:00 Special Music) by Grieg and Paige

Sing and shout to the Son of David, bring unto the King a jubilant song. Raise your voices, sing hosanna. Sing unto the King a jubilant song.

Sing hosanna, blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Sing hosanna. Blessed is the One who comes.

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# WELCOME TO THE UNITED CHURCH Weekly Bulletin APRIL 13, 2025



Order of Worship for APRIL 13, 2025



Welcome! The United Church is a Presbyterian/American Baptist congregation. We hope you enjoy your visit and let us know if we can help you in any way.

PRELUDE: Fuga super 'Jesus Christus unser Heiland' by Johann Sebastian Bach

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**GREETING** 

### **OUR PREPARATION**

Focus of the Day: We are challenged to pray against temptation and for God's will rather than our own purposes.

INTROIT: (11:00) "O How He Loves You and Me" (Hymn #479)

### **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Today we gather to remember Jesus in Gethsemane, where he struggled yet submitted to the Father's will.

People: Like Jesus, we face temptations to go our own way.

Leader: In our struggles, Jesus shows us how to pray and trust in God's purposes.

All: Lord, teach us to pray as Jesus prayed: "Not our will, but yours be done."

\*HYMN #203: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

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\*OPENING PRAYER: Loving Father, as we gather in your presence, we acknowledge our daily struggles between your perfect will and our own desires. Like Jesus in the garden, teach us to trust you completely and submit our lives to your purposes. We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray, saying... Our Father, who art in heaven...

\*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

\*GLORIA PATRI: #807

### **GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16 (page 548) {A.B. page 622}

SPECIAL MUSIC: (8:45) "Let the Rocks Cry Out!" by Larson (words on back)

Small Ensemble

ANTHEM: (11:00) "Hosanna in the Highest" by Don Besig Un

**United Church Choir** 

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** 

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Job 14:1-14 (page 507) {A.B. page 578}

SPECIAL MUSIC: (11:00) "Palm Sunday Processional" by Grieg and Paige (words on back)
Youth Choir, Kathy Eagan and Sharon Erb (hand bells), and Walter Marshall (drums)

### Sermon

"Not My Will: Jesus in Gethsemane"
(Luke 22:39-46)
Pastor Wade Allen

### **OUR RESPONSE IN FAITH**

\*HYMN #211: "Lead Me to Calvary"

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**PASTORAL PRAYER** 

OFFERTORY: Epilogue on 'St. Theodulph' by Healy Willan

\*DOXOLOGY: #809

\*HYMN #204: "All Glory, Laud and Honor"

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BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE:** Chant de Joie ("Song of Joy") by Jean Langlais

\*indicates an invitation to stand for those who are able and comfortable doing so.

The Palm Crosses are given today in memory of Henry and Marguerite Prull by their grandchildren, Tamara, Heather (Ross), and David Prull II.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Health concerns: Emma Sanford (granddaughter of Dave and Karen), Shane Collins (from LeTourneau), Brooke Covey (friend of Parsons), Daniel Zimmerman (nephew of Wendy Bacon), Jennie (friend of Nancy Bowllan), Sara Scharr, Rodney Newfrock (friend of Elaine Allen), Everest Ferrante (family of Ardelle Bigos), Stephen Cole, Karen Mount, James Sheppard, Linda Gilbert, Jessica Canham (Sharyn's daughter), Mary Jane Laird, Denice Bailey Tautges, Tom Babcock (friend of Jenny Caron), Erik Keating (son of Al and Dawn Rossi), Louise Huck, Catherine Kurzdorfer (Adam Thorman's mother), Carolyn Verspoor, Marcus (friend of Sandi DiCicco), Denise Loy (friend of Kory Massey), David Sanford, Jovannie Ramirez (Karen Roaix's grandson), Steve Sedlock (Nancy Tharp's brother), Clancy Cragle (Michelle's grandfather), the Herin Family (relatives of Kathie Meredith), Jack Schermond

Cancer: Chris Alexander (Carolyn Russell's brother), Joy Mickelsen Oliver (friend of Joy Van Riper), Sarah Hough (daughter of Dianne Beaumont), Walter Enright (friend of Ardelle Bigos), Jon VanBlargan, Laura Fiorito (daughter of Charles and Patti Cagwin), David Gerstner (Nancy's husband), Ruth Krop (friend of MacKenzie Brown), Tane Robinson (friend of Ryan Marshall), Christina Tharp (daughter of John and Nancy), Douglas Cook (Jen Eveleigh's brother), Rod Gifford (cousin of Joyce Laursen), Martha Ashley, Beth Smythe, Keith Laursen (Joyce's brother-in-law), Sasha (friend of Megan French), Mark Schreier (Virginia Holroyd's friend), John Tornow (friend of Elaine Allen), Susan Hennessy (Jen Eveleigh's sister), Rich Crowley (Steve and Beth Smythe's friend), Tom and Monica Yurik (Bruce and Deb Gardner's friends), Deb Dawson (Steve Smythe's niece), Roderick Simonds (father of Natalie Clark), Rob Stults (cousin of Wade and Christy Allen), Dawn Miller, David Pagoda (Eveleigh family friend), Jim Davis (Scott's father), Stephen Carges (Paula Traber's brother)

Recovering at home: Joan Danaher, Alice Smith-Mather (missionaries' daughter), Karen Roaix

Comfort and Peace: Harriet Morgan (Megan French's grandma), Mary Zimmerman (Wendy Bacon's mother)

MILITARY SERVICE: JJ Callard (USN), US Army LT1 Andrew Marlin (Tyler Bosecks husband) home from deployment, LTJG Nick Castiller (USN), MAC Adam Thorman (USN), E6 Cody Wells (USN) home from deployment, TSgt Timothy Peck (USAF)

MISSIONARIES: Carlos Bonilla & Mayra Giovantti - the BGs (Central/South America), Christy Lafferty (Nicaragua), Shelvis & Nancy Smith-Mather (S Sudan refugees in Uganda), Ryan & Alethia White (Berlin)

## **Highlights for This Week**

- NC Mission Trip Keep our group in your prayers as they travel TODAY to assist with disaster relief! The group is scheduled to finish on Thursday.
- It's Campership season! Our church believes that the Christian Summer Camp experience is so valuable that we will pay ½ the week's tuition to one week at any summer Christian camp. It's simple: Pick a summer Christian camp, register your child, and then send the registration confirmation to Deb....and our church will pay half the cost. If your family needs a full campership, please let Deb know. Camp information and brochures are available on the welcome center desk.
- Our Greeter/Coordinator for April: Steward Bev Fehrenbach. Please contact Bev if you need help signing up.
- Ministry Involvement Day If you were not able to join us on Ministry Involvement Day on March 30, please be sure to complete a survey. They are available on the Welcome Center desk or online using the QR code.

# **Nursery Care**

Nursery care is offered during both services and the Sunday school hour. Room 10 (the infant nursery) is used during the early service, Room 11 (the toddler/preschool nursery) is used during the Sunday school hour, and both rooms are open during the late service.

### **Children's Time**

Children's Time meets after the Children's Sermon upstairs in room 26. Children aged Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to participate. Parents, please pick up your children promptly after the service.

# **Are You Visiting Us Today?**

If so, WELCOME to the United Church, we are so glad that you have chosen to worship with us. We invite you to check out our Welcome Table found in our Welcome Center, and to pick up a tan bag (with the United Church logo on it) for yourself/your family to take home and to learn a little bit more about us.



We are so happy that you joined us today and look forward to seeing you again soon!



Youth Club
Our after school ministry for 2nd-8th Graders
Wednesdays, after school - 6:30pm

Our night includes: Recreation, Worship, Bible study, and

Family Time (dinner)

No Youth Club on April 16 (due to spring break)

Any questions? Please see Deb Marshall

# **Parent/Child Library**

The Parent/Child Library is full of books for all ages on LENT/ EASTER which is the emphasis for the months of March and April! You may borrow a book/books off either the display shelf or the regular book shelf. All families are welcome to use the Parent/Child library at any time. Please sign the book(s) out and return within 4 weeks. Any questions? See Deb Marshall



# Save the date for Camp Sunday, April 27th



Kids will have the opportunity to hear from representatives from some of our church family's favorite camps during the Sunday school hour. Parents can talk directly to camp reps following the 11am service. Don't forget that our church offers Camperships (we pay half of one week of Christian summer camp). Camperships are NOT need based; they are for any kid who is regularly involved in Sunday school/worship, Youth Club, and/or The Cause. Ouestions? See Deb Marshall.

# Softball anyone?

The United Church softball team will be playing it's first game on May 6th! The team plays every Tuesday night on one of the local fields. If you're interested in playing on the team, please contact Kevin Vadney at 585-489-9825.



# Missions Faith and Action



### North Carolina Hurricane Relief Mission Trip, April 13-18

This is the week of the mission trip! Please keep all of us and the people of North Carolina in your prayers!

The 19 people going on this trip are: Amelia Aldrich, George Aldrich, Mary & Joe Buono, Aubrey Buono, Rowan Buono, MacKenzie Brown, Shealeigh Brown, Casey Brown, Anna Holm, Paul & Beth Johnson, Grace Payne, Cara Piper, Nora Piper, Mark Slomski, Steve and Beth Smythe, and Sonya Brooks.

### **Easter Offering**

Jesus calls us to love one another. Your gifts to the One Great Hour of Sharing bring love, hope, and healing to those in need. By providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed our gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing, our Special Easter Offering, can make a difference. Please give as generously as you can to help share the love.



### **Family Promise of Ontario County**

Family Promise has started construction on the new Static site here in Canandaigua with plans to open it in the fall! Once the site is open there will be opportunities for our congregation to be involved in an ongoing capacity! We can't wait.

In the meantime, the United Church is supporting Family Promise and their clients with gift cards. Any donations of Walmart, Aldi or Tops cards in \$25 or \$50 increments would be greatly appreciated. Gas cards are also always needed. Please give any cards (marked Family Promise) to the church office or place in the offering plate by April 27. Thank you for your support of this local effort!

# **Holy Week Schedule**

The church office is open regular hours, Monday through Friday, 9:00 am through 1:00 pm.

On April 17, we will have a Maundy Thursday service at 7:00 pm

On Easter Sunday, April 20, there will be 2 worship services at our regular times, 8:45 am and 11:00 am. There is no Sunday School on Easter.