

A Service for the Worship of God

March 25, 2018

Palm/Passion Sunday

11:00 am

Gathering Around the Word

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mark 11:1-11

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 196 All Glory, Laud, and Honor Valet Will Ich Dir Geben

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O Lord, on this day you entered the rebellious city that later rejected you.
We confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's,
that our faith is often weak when put to the test,
that our hearts are in need of cleansing.
Have mercy on us, Savior of our lives.
Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and all that we are,
trusting you to forgive what is sinful, to heal what is broken,
to welcome our praises, and to receive us as your own.**

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the Good News:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE No. 197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

**"Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord, our heavenly King.
O may we ever praise him with hearts and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.**

Hearing the Word

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

After leading us in the Lord's Prayer, children are invited to go to Children's Church.

**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.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING

Mark 15:33-41

*This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.***

SERMON

The Last Week: The Crucifixion

Rev. Hill

Responding to the Word

MINUTE FOR MISSION

One Great Hour of Sharing

Tiffany Jones

THE OFFERING

You are invited to place prayer requests in the offering plate

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**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.**

*THE CHRIST HYMN

Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus:

**who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form, he humbled himself and
became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

Sealing the Word

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

As you pass the trays, please say: "The bread of life for you; The cup of salvation for you."

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Taking the Word with Us Into the World

*HYMN No. 221

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Passion Chorale

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

**All those who are able, please stand*

We rejoice that you are worshipping with us today and trust that you will feel the presence of Christ in this place. If you are a visitor, please consider this a warm invitation to join us in the work and worship of this congregation. Worship takes place each Sunday at 11 am and Sunday school at 9:45 am. A nursery is provided for your convenience and Children's Church is available for ages 3- 5th grade following Faith Sharing with Children.

Worship Notes	
Minister: Rev. Julie Hill, juliehill203@gmail.com; cell 704-904-7261	
Music Director: Johnny Almond, johnny@mgcca.com	
Secretary: Paula Blake, office@norwoodfpc.org	Nursery Attendant: Gloria Lopez
Session: Clerk of Session, Kaye Coble	
Elders of the Month: Susie Lisk and Finley Sutton April Elders: Mitchell Edwards and Kirk Wallace	
Ushers: Sonny and Kaye Tyson, Sid and Pat Braswell Ushers Next Sunday: Youth Connection	
Weekly Calendar	<i>Happy Birthday</i>
Sunday, March 25~ Palm Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship 5:00 pm Easter Egg Hunt and Dinner	Brian Johnson March 27 James Harris March 28 Edmund Roush March 29 Sue Lisk March 30
Wednesday, March 28 11:30 am Community Lenten Worship & Lunch	Green Prayer Cards are available in each pew. Please place your prayer requests in the offering plate.
Thursday, March 29 ~ Maundy Thursday 6:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service	
Friday, March 30 ~ Good Friday 11:30 am Cross Walk Noon Community Worship	SCCM Food Challenge for April Rice, Macaroni & Cheese, Pasta, Instant Potatoes
Sunday, April 1~ Easter Sunday 6:45 am Community Sunrise Service No Sunday School 11:00 am Worship	April Newsletter Information due Tuesday, March 27

Holy Week Revival Services

Services are at 7:00 pm each night

Monday, 3/26	Barringer Chapel	Pastor Cecil Raysor preaching
Tuesday, 3/27	Barringer Chapel	Pastor Mike Lisk, preaching
Wednesday, 3/28	Norwood Church of the Nazarene	Pastor Tom Rodriguez

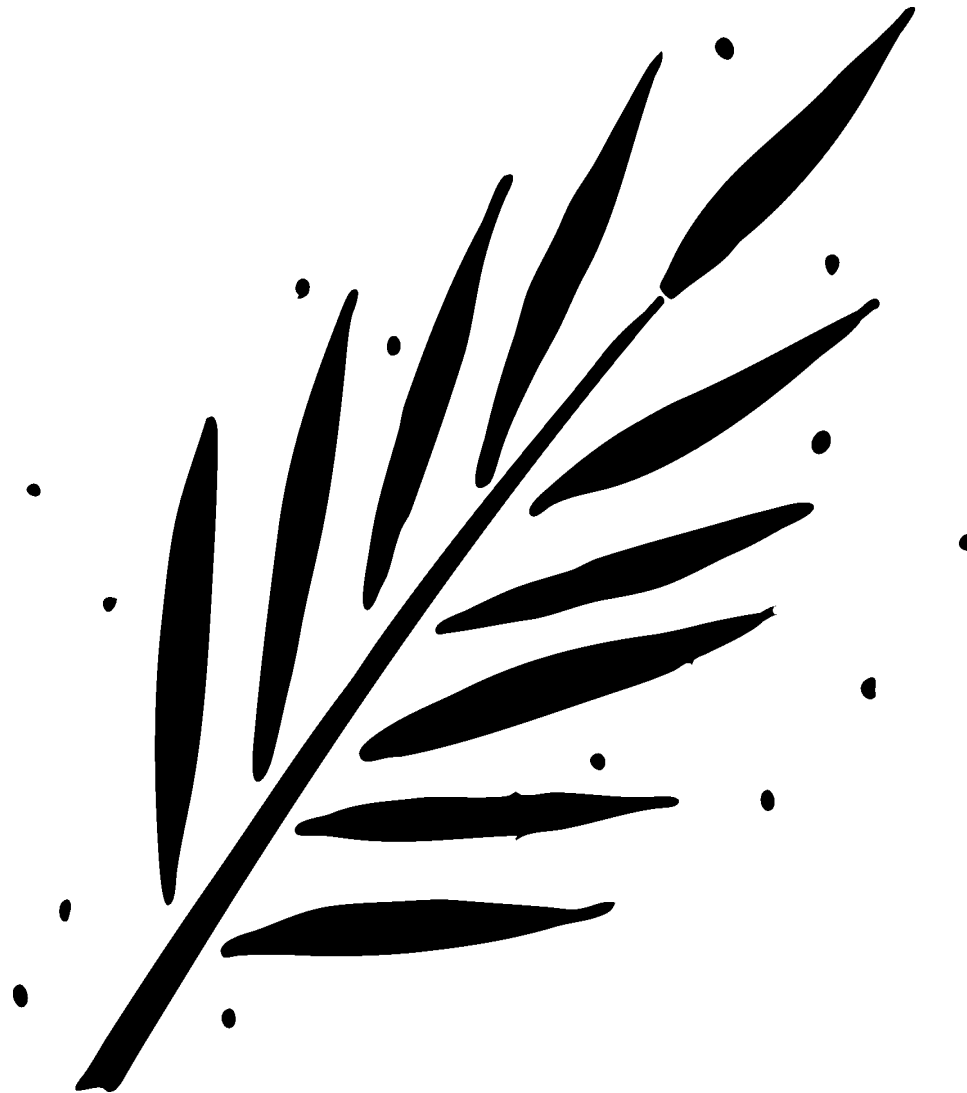
We extend our prayers and deepest sympathy to Kirk Wallace and family following the death of his father, Hugh Wallace. Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Prayer Concerns: Jean Barbee (pneumonia), John Miller, Edmund Roush, Tyler Hatley, Joanne Morton

Home Members: Jean Barbee, Jeanette Thompson **Members in Nursing Homes:** Bonnie Blalock

Friends and Family: Darrell Freeman, Dick Franklin (Hospice/dementia), Safety for students in school, Eddie Mills, Darrell Frick (Darren Frick's dad, cancer), Laura Hartley (cancer), Amy Jo Ellwanger (cancer), Gerald Prillaman (Beth Lewis' brother, colon cancer), family of Alicia Brown, June Deemer's family, Glenda Burleson (lung cancer), Joan Phillips (knee surgery)

Please see the newsletter for a complete list



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