A nursery is available on the First Floor for infants and children under 3 years.

After Children's Time, preschool through 5th grade is invited to **Children's Church** in the Children's Wing.

Altar Flowers: The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God and in honor of great-nephew, Charlie James Morgan's, 1st birthday by Jan Fleming.

Prayer Requests: Beth Brewer, Gary Brewer, Tim Durham, Mark Fischer, Matt Gilley, Martha Greenlee, Cathy Hanks, David Holder, Toni Holder, the Labanick family, Patti Moran, Rita Petoskey, Tracie Powell-Wilkin, Beverly Rakestraw, Jerry Reitzel, Linda Seifert, Ann Towery, Shelley Winkler

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This Wednesday's Lenten service and lunch will take place at Bethel at noon. Rev. Cathy Mitchell will be the preacher.

On Saturday, April 4th, we will have a Spring Cleaning Day starting at 9 am. We will be cleaning the grounds in preparation for Easter Sunday.

We welcome Penny Holt as our choir accompanist today.

Thank you to Alex Henderson for adding to the music today on trumpet.

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Online Giving

Week of March 22

Worship Attendance	147
Gifts to Budget	$8,863
Goal per Week	$14,255
Year-to-date Budget Goal	$171,057
Year-to-date Budget Received	$132,226

Church Office Hours
Monday – Thursday: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

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March 29, 2026 **Palm Sunday**

10:00 AM Worship Service

Prelude *Theme from "Brandenberg Concerto No. 3"* Johann S. Bach

Trinity Chimes

Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship

Lenten travelers, the journey to the cross begins with a procession into Jerusalem, a demonstration of Jesus' saving power.

We Come to praise Jesus, the Messiah, the One who saves!

The crowds line the path and shout, "Hosanna! Save us!", as Jesus rides in, not on a mighty war horse, but on the backs of a donkey and a colt.

We come to call on Jesus, the Messiah, the One who saves!

The city murmurs, wondering who this person is who demonstrates power through humility, strength without tyranny.

We come to witness Jesus, the Messiah, the One who saves!

Lenten travelers, will you come on the journey to Jerusalem, following a Messiah who saves us to live after the pattern of the kingdom of God, not the kingdoms of this world?

We come to follow Jesus, the Messiah, the One who saves!

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymn *"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"* UMH 278

*Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles' Creed* UMH 881

*Gloria Patri UMH 71

*Psalter Reading *Psalm 118: 14-29* UMH 839

Offering

Offertory Anthems *"I Sing Praises"* Terry Macalmon
"Hosanna In The Highest" Ruth Schram
Children's Choir

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

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Children's Time

Hymn of Preparation *"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"* UMH 277

(*During the hymn, you are invited to the altar to join the pastor in assuming a posture of prayer. All are welcome)*

Prayers of the People

Leader: The Lord be with you.
Response: **And also with you.**
Leader: Let us pray.

Anthem *"O Lord, Most Holy"* arr. Tom Fettke
Sanctuary Choir

Gospel Reading Matthew 21: 1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives,
Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately
you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. 3 If anyone
says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them
immediately." 4 This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet: 5 "Tell
the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." 6 The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed
them; 7 they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on
them. 8 A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the
trees and spread them on the road. 9 The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed
were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of
the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" 10 When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was
in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" 11 The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from
Nazareth in Galilee."

Sermon Rev. Brad Gray

*Parade Hymn *"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"*

(Join us as we travel to the Fellowship Hall to conclude the service and enjoy lunch together)

*Closing Songs *"Only King Forever"* See screens
"Hosanna: Praise Is Rising"

*Blessing

**Please stand as able*