

# This Week's Announcements

**The Care Ministry person of the week is Pat Young**

Please call the church office for her address to support her with prayers and cards.

**The flowers on the altar** are in honor of Randy and Sue Cathcart for their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**The Youth Group** is participating in our annual **C & A Trees fundraiser**. Gift certificates are available in the church office. 20% of all sales go to the Youth Group and will be used for their activities. If you support this wonderful local business, please purchase a gift certificate that can be used for trees, shrubs, annuals, perennials, and the gift shop. Certificates expire on June 30, 2025.

## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**Maundy Thursday, April 17:** Seder Meal and Dinner at 6:00pm, followed by Maundy Thursday Communion Service. Please make dinner reservations in the office **no later than today, April 13.**

**Good Friday, April 18:** Community Cross Walk sponsored by First UMC, First Presbyterian and Grace Lutheran churches beginning at noon at the courthouse and ending at First Presbyterian Church. Our Good Friday worship service will be held in the sanctuary at 7:00pm.

**Easter Sunday Celebration!** We'll begin with fellowship time at 8:30am, followed by our combined worship service at 9:30am. There will be no Sunday School on Easter.

Our Holy Week events are open to your family and friends. Invite someone to come with you and join us for this holiest week of the year.



**July 29, 2025**

Trip includes:

- ◆ *NOAH* live on stage at the Sight & Sound Theater
- ◆ Lunch on your own at the Bird-in-Hand Farmers Market
- ◆ Dinner at Miller's Smorgasbord Restaurant
- ◆ Deluxe motor coach transportation

**Cost of Trip: \$288 per person**

Time of departure will be approximately 6:00am. Arrival back at the church will be approximately 11:30pm. Rest stop and breakfast on your own enroute to Lancaster.

A minimum deposit of \$100 per person to reserve your spot is due no later than May 29. Final payment is due no later than June 16.

**Please take a moment to sign in on a red fellowship pad, located at the end of your pew.**



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**To contact the Pastor**

If you would like to talk or meet with Pastor Jodie Smith, you can contact her via

**Church Office 814-226-6660 (ext. 11)**

**Parsonage 814-226-6662**

You may also email her at [pastor@fumc-clarion.org](mailto:pastor@fumc-clarion.org) or you can find more information on our church website at [www.fumc-clarion.org](http://www.fumc-clarion.org)

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Rev. Jodie Smith, Pastor

*Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors.*

**Palm Sunday  
Sunday, April 13, 2025**



**8:30am Traditional Worship Service**

*\*Indicates a time to stand, if able.*

**THE PRELUDE**

**"March Triumphant Into Jerusalem" Thygerson**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP**

**"This Is the Day" No. 657**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

**People: This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.**

Leader: I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

**People: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.**

Leader: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

**People: This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**\*THE HYMN**

**"All Glory, Laud, and Honor" No. 280**

**\*OPENING PRAYER** (in unison)

**MESSAGE IN MUSIC**

“Sing the Song of the Lord” Chancel Choir

**SHARING OUR JOYS and CONCERNS BEFORE GOD**

**PRAYER CHORUS**

“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross” v. 1 No. 301

**PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

**SHARING GOD’S TITHES and OUR GIFTS**

**THE OFFERTORY**

“Hosanna!” Chancel Choir

**\*DOXOLOGY**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” No. 95

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**\*THE HYMN**

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” No. 278

**A NEW TESTAMENT READING**

Matthew 21:1-11 (NRSV)

**THE MESSAGE**

“Sharing Jesus: This is the Day!” Rev. Jodie Smith

**\*THE HYMN**

“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus” No. 277

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

**THE POSTLUDE and GOING FORTH TO SERVE**



**11:00am Contemporary Worship Service**

\*Indicates a time to stand, if able.

**BRINGING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST  
AND PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP**

**INVOCATION**

**\*OPENING MUSIC**

“Today is the Day” & “Hosanna”

**\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**CHILDREN’S PRAYER and DISMISSAL**

**SHARING OUR JOYS and CONCERNS BEFORE GOD**

**PRAYER CHORUS**

“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross” v. 1

**PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**SHARING GOD’S TITHES and OUR GIFTS**

**THE OFFERTORY**

“Carry Me to the Cross” The Messengers

**\*DOXOLOGY and OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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**\*SERMON RESPONSE**

“This Is the Day”

**\*ANNOUNCEMENTS and THE BENEDICTION**

**\*CLOSING MUSIC**

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

**THE POSTLUDE and GOING FORTH TO SERVE**

**This Week’s Schedule**

**Monday April 14, 2025**

8:30am Second Harvest Delivery

9:30am Senior Food Box Pickup

5:30pm Adult Bell Choir Practice (Balcony)

6:00pm Boy Scouts Troop 51 (Various Rooms)

**Tuesday April 15, 2025**

9:00am Organ Tuning (Sanctuary)

4:00pm Girl Scouts (Dining Room/Kitchen)

6:30pm Finance Committee Meeting (Room 102)

**Wednesday April 16, 2025**

8:00am Journey for Men (Room 102)

1:15pm Recovery 'n Motion (Room 205)

3:00pm Love Cupboard Food Pantry

**Thursday April 17, 2025**

**Maundy Thursday**

6:00pm Cub Scouts Pack 51 (Various Rooms)

6:00pm Maundy Thursday Seder Meal and Communion Service  
(Dining Room)

6:15pm NA Setup (Room 102)

6:30pm NA Group Meeting (Room 102)

**Friday April 18, 2025**

**Good Friday**

9:00am Sit 'n Stitch (Room 102)

7:00pm Good Friday Service (Sanctuary)

**Sunday April 20, 2025**

**Easter Sunday**

8:30am Easter Sunday Fellowship Time (Gathering Area)

9:30am Easter Sunday Worship Service (Sanctuary, YouTube)

*All dates are subject to change. Please check the website for current schedule.*