

Contemporary Worship at 9:30

James Ruchalski, Worship Leader
 Joe Anthony, Jeremy Graeff, Adrian Hain,
 Renee Pedersen - Praise Band

“Victory in Jesus”

Welcome

Scripture: Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29

“Open Up the Heavens”

“Mighty to Save”

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Prayer

Scripture: Luke 19: 28-40

“Victory Parade”

Pastor Janet Sadel

Offering

“O Come to the Altar”

Blessing

Greeters: Maggie Pontz, Lisa Mearkle, Elsie Mearkle

Tech Crew: Jeff Butts, Chris Reindollar, Steve St. John

SHINING GOD’S LIGHT - You are invited to attend the Annual Women’s Banquet in Celebration Center on Tuesday, April 30 at 6:00 PM. Dorcas Kamanda, United Methodist pastor, nurse, and missionary is returning from Sierra Leone to bring her inspiring message. Anne Shannon from WGAL TV will serve as our Mistress of Ceremonies, and musical entertainment will be presented by the 32 students in the McCaskey Chamber Choir, directed by Timothy Sterner. The Scarlett Runner will prepare delicious Sierra Leone Pepper Chicken, as well as a vegetarian entrée. The First Church men will serve the meal. This will be an evening not to miss! Register online at www.EngageGodFirst.org or complete the registration form in your bulletin and deposit it in the wall box near the Gathering Place Welcome Center.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR FIRST CHURCH STUDENTS! First UMC awards educational scholarships to First Church students. Applicant criteria includes: 1) active FUMC membership for at least one year, 2) completion of freshman year (or 25% of program), 3) and an aggregate GPA of 2.5 or higher. Individuals remain eligible for funds for three years of undergraduate study and then three years of graduate study but must complete the application yearly. Graduate/vocational/seminary students may also apply! Priority for funds is given to seminary students. Part time students will also be considered if funds are available. Information and applications can be printed from the “Scholarship” tab on our website homepage (www.engagegodfirst.org). Applications may also be picked up at the church office. A current transcript MUST accompany the applications. Deadline for the church office to receive completed applications is June 15th. Please contact Don Griswold with questions (degriswold2@gmail.com)

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You may use this QR code to give to the ministries and special offerings at First UMC! After connecting, you will see a drop down box to select the specific ministry you wish to support, and a confirmation email will be sent for your records. Thank you for your support of First UMC!

WELCOMING ALL TO OUR CHURCH – As many of you know the recent General Conference in St. Louis, decided to reaffirm traditional biblical teaching on marriage and sexuality. Many within our congregation agree with that reaffirmation, while others do not. We all agree, however, that First Church is and will remain a place that invites and welcomes all. The Sacred Worth Team, a group within our church which advocates for LGBTQ+ concerns, has rainbow ribbons available at the Gathering Place and Celebration Center Welcome Desks, for those who desire to wear them as a sign of solidarity and welcome.

PILGRIMAGE TO ISRAEL - Pastor Joe will lead a pilgrimage to Israel in late January 2020! During the 11 day trip you will visit holy locations in Bethlehem, Nazareth, and Jerusalem. You will ride on the Sea of Galilee and visit the ancient city of Jericho, as well as Herod's fortress at Masada. You will have the opportunity to talk with local Jewish leaders, Palestinian leaders, and journalists to hear the various thoughts on the current political struggles. And you could take an extra four days into Jordan to visit Petra and Mt. Nebo! Your heart and mind and spirit will be enriched as you travel to the land where Jesus and the prophets and disciples lived and worked. If you are interested or would like more information as it becomes available, please contact Katherine Spear and she will keep you up to date as information is finalized! (kgs.130@gmail.com or 717-394-7231 ext 3304)

Local Missions of First Church

Anchorage Breakfast Ministry – An ecumenical ministry hosted here at First UMC, which feeds 150+ persons per day, Monday to Friday, all year long. Patty Eastep is the Director (www.anchoragebreakfast.org)

Discovery Corner Preschool – Offers loving care and education of preschoolers in age- appropriate skills, and knowledge of the Bible. Libby Barringer is our Director. (www.discoverycornerpreschool.org)

LUMINA (Lancaster United Methodist Inner-City Alliance) – A cooperative mission project that provides resources, education and support for our neighbors who experience poverty and hardship; First Church member Coreen Russo is Executive Director (www.luminaoutreach.org)

MANIFEST - A Partnership of Lancaster City’s United Methodist churches, LUMINA, and IMPACT! Missions. Manifest is a housing rehab ministry that transform blighted properties into decent, affordable homes for low -income buyers, increase home ownership, & stabilizes neighborhoods

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First United Methodist Church

Our Vision
 To be a central hub of Christian ministry in Lancaster County & beyond

Our Mission:
 Connect people to Jesus Christ & the church, grow Christian disciples, & relieve suffering

April 14, 2019
Palm Sunday

** please stand if able*

Prelude *All Glory, Laud and Honor* arr. Jason Krug
Toccata on "Kings Weston" Matthew Compton
 Wesley Handbell Choir- Peter Omundsen, Director

Announcements & Greeting

(10:45) Introit *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*
 Chancel Choir- Brian Norcross, Director

*Call to Worship

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!

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

Common Prayer Liturgist

Creator God, on this day we keep alive the special memory of our Redeemer's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. In keeping with this day, we ask that Jesus may triumph in our hearts not only today, but every day from this time forward. Let the King of grace and glory enter in, and let us lay ourselves and all that we are in full and joyful homage before him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(10:45) Children's Message Pastor Joe

Scripture Reading **Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29** Pew Bibles, OT, p.534
 The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

(10:45) Anthem *Christ's Entry* Gilbert Martin
 Chancel Choir- Brian Norcross, Director

Concerns of the People

(10:45) Choral Call to Prayer *Jesus, Remember Me* No. 488
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Pastoral Prayer

(10:45) The Lord's Prayer No. 895

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.

*Hymn *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus* No. 277

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading **Luke 19: 28-40** Pew Bibles, NT, p.78

Sermon *Victory Parade* Pastor Janet Sattel

*Affirmation of Faith *A Creed for Palm Sunday* Killinger

We believe that the man who rode into Jerusalem on a donkey is the Lord of all history and of every city that ever was. We believe that he came to save us from our sin and to restore us to the Father. We believe that he was cruelly treated, put to death on a cross, and buried in a borrowed tomb. We believe that God raised him from the dead, and that he became the first fruits of those who were asleep. We believe that he is present in our midst today, comforting our sorrow, showing us the way to tomorrow, and challenging us to life in the Kingdom of God. And we believe that the day will come when the entire world will be his and he will reign in glory as the Restorer of all that was separated from God, receiving our love and praise forever and ever. Amen.

*Gloria Patri *Glory Be to the Father* No. 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

8:15 ONLY	Invitation to The Lord's Supper	Acolyte
* Confession and Pardon		
With eager hearts and open hands, Holy One, we welcome Jesus. But we confess we often welcome him on our terms, seeking to be our own Lord, and asserting our own will. We find it hard to surrender our pride, and live as obedient servants, even as our Lord chose not to be served, but to serve.		
Hosanna, steadfast God, save us! Help us to release our fears and doubts, and our need to be in control, that we may stand with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who comes in your name, and in glory, to save us by your amazing grace.		
<i>(All pray in silence.)</i>		
Tell the daughters of despair, proclaim it to the sons of sadness: Christ has come to save us!		
Hosanna! We will give our thanks to God, who comes to bring us grace, hope, and life. Hosanna in the highest. Amen!		
* Passing the Peace		

Invitation to the Offering Liturgist

Offertory *The Palms* S. Faure/arr. V. Crocker
Diane Styer, piano

Procession of Offerings

*Doxology *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart (stanza 5)* No. 160

Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God forevermore. Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

Prayer of Thanksgiving Acolyte

8:15 ONLY	The Great Thanksgiving	
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.		
Communion Anthem	<i>Wondrous Love</i> Diane Styer, piano	American Folk Song arr. Fred Bock
Prayer after Communion		
Almighty God, we thank you for the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. As we remember that Jesus first suffered pain before entering into glory, mercifully grant that we might walk in the way of the cross. May the strength you have given us through the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ, enable us to offer ourselves as a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.		

*Hymn *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* No. 278

*Blessing

Dismissal *As We Part for the Towns and Cities (green hymnal)* No. 3180

As we part for the towns and cities, where you summon us to go, guide us, Lord, give us strength and courage, teach us all we need to know. Keep us humble, fixed on you, forever seeking, born anew. Kindle holy fires within us; may your Holy Spirit glow.

Postlude *Prelude on "Ellacombe"* Neil Harmon
Peter Omundsen, organ



	8:15	9:30	10:45
Greeters	N: Don & Darlene Palmer W: Konrad & Shirley Maerz	Maggie Pontz, Lisa Mearkle Elsie Mearkle	N: Fred & Beth Clark W: Wanda Wahl
Ushers	Jeffrey Greiner, Barbara Greiner, Tim & Jordan Greiner, Peter Hartmann, Don Herneisen	Maggie Pontz, Lisa Mearkle Elsie Mearkle	Bruce Grove, David Greene, Julie Grove, Meredith Hafer, Morgan Lucente, Ted Maurer, Dave Neuer, Al Peterson
Tech Crew	Grant Dombach	Jeff Butts, Chris Reindollar, Steve St. John	Terry Kile
Liturgist	Samuel Longmire	-----	Samuel Longmire
Communion Assistant	Pastor Joe	-----	-----
Acolyte	Madhuri Sakrudkar	-----	Zara Paisley
Welcome Center	Heather Herr, Shawn Herr	Cathy Doremus	Betty Schimmel
Fellowship Time	Women's Banquet Committee	-----	Women's Banquet Committee
Security	Al Peterson		

We welcome all to worship today!

To help us stay connected with you, please fill out the "Connect Card" that is found in your bulletin. This card helps the church track changes in email, phone, address, and more. On the card you can tell us your areas of interest by checking all that apply. Be sure to share your prayer requests with the staff by writing them on the card and placing it in the offering plate. Staff members pray for each request on Wednesday afternoon. Thank you for helping us get to know and stay connected with you!

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APPENZELLAR CANTATA- On Sunday April 28, at the 8:15 & 10:45 services in the sanctuary, the premiere of a new cantata "All is Yours" by James Ra will be presented with full orchestra and Chancel Choir under the direction of Director of Music Brian Norcross.

The cantata celebrates FUMC's connections to Korea and the missionary work of the Appenzellers. James Ra is a Franklin & Marshall graduate and of Korean dissent. The cantata has familiar texts and hymns, such as "Amazing Grace," and "All Creatures of Our God and King," as well as dramatic original music. One movement is a new setting of "For Space to Grow," text written by former FUMC member Charlie Sanders. Invite friends and family to join us as we celebrate FUMC's Korean heritage!

SELF-DEFENSE SEMINAR! At First Church, Saturday April 20th at 9:30 AM Guest instructor Louie Tita will lead a 2-hour class on practical self-defense techniques. Louie has a background in Karate, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, Boxing and Yoshitsune Combat Jiu-Jitsu. As a member of Slate Belt Community Church, he launched a MMA Outreach which is used to promote the gospel message to local communities to gain confidence in their ability to defend themselves if need be. Expect a fun, relaxed, go-at-your-pace environment! Cost: \$5 Register online from our church website under "Events". Invite friends and family!