



Transforming Lives in the Love of Jesus Christ

March 29, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

6th Sunday of Lent

Palm and Passion Sunday

The asterisk() indicates for you to stand, only if you are able.*

GATHERING

(As we gather, please take this time to prepare your heart for worship.)

GATHERING WORSHIP (11:00)

Praise Band

PASTORAL GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRIST KIDS' ARTWORK CORNER

Can you imagine what the road looked like that day for Jesus when he entered the city on the back of a donkey? Can you draw a picture of the Palm Sunday scene?

MEDITATION

Andrew of Crete

"So let us spread before his feet, not garments or soulless olive branches, which delight the eye for a few hours and then wither, but ourselves, clothed in his grace, or rather, clothed completely in him."

PRELUDE

"A Day for Celebration"

P. McKleveen

Gloria Dei Ringers

ENTRANCE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 95

Leader: Hosanna to the Son of David!

People: Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

All: Hosanna in the highest!

*PALM PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

No. 278

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP (11:00)

For children 4 years to 5th grade. At this time, they can exit through the back of the sanctuary where they will participate in scripture, a children's sermon, prayers, and offering together. Children can be picked up in the preschool hallway following the service.

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, on this day your Son Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem and was proclaimed King by those who spread their garments and palm branches along his way. Let those branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our Lord, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life. In his name we pray. Amen.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM (11:00)

"Ride On"

D.E. Wagner/C. Lee

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE LESSON - Matthew 21:1-11

readers, Terence Hamill (8:30) & Judy Yoder (11:00)

Reader: This is the Word of God for us.

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

"The Threshold of Palm Sunday"

Rev. Zachary Hopple

HYMN

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

No. 295, v. 1, 2, 4

RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT TIME OF CONFESSION

LENTEN CANDLE READING[^]

"Then [Jesus] took the twelve aside and said to them, 'Look, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. For he will be handed over to the gentiles, and he will be mocked and insulted and spat upon. After they have flogged him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise again.'"

*THE PEACE - *Let us offer signs of peace, reconciliation, and love with one another.*

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

MISSION OF THE MONTH

Mosaic Norristown

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND PRAYERS TO GOD+

Tithes, offerings, and gifts can be made electronically or mailed to the church office. If you are joining us virtually, please take this opportunity to sign-in on our website.

OFFERTORY

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

arr. J. Sanborn
Katie Campbell, piano

Please use this time for personal reflection as we consider how we can give of ourselves back to God.

*DOXOLOGY

No. 95

**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.**

*OFFERING PRAYER

*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.

HOLY COMMUNION (8:30)

No. 15

In the tradition of Wesley's "singing communion", we invite you to sing the following hymns:

W&S^{^^} No. 3174 "**Christ We Are Blest**", W&S^{^^} No. 3169 "**You Feed Us, Gentle Savior**",

W&S^{^^} No. 3167 "**Feed Us, Lord**"

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

"Who Is He"

W&S^{^^} No. 3082

*DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

arr. L. Smith
Katie Campbell, organ

Use this time to reflect on the service as you prepare your heart for a week with Jesus, or take this time to exit the sanctuary and take the love of Jesus wherever you go.

Please Be In Prayer For...(*indicates newly added):

Dale Nice

Barb Tibbits

Carol Wynne

Fred Wynne

Liturgist: 8:30 - Sean Weatherwax

11:00 - Tomoki Weir

Acolyte: 8:30 - Jack Weatherwax

11:00 -

Nursery Adults: 8:30 - Raquel Prusak, Kristi Weatherwax

9:45 - Karen Penna, Kristi Weatherwax

11:00 - _____, Kristi Weatherwax

Children's Worship: Ineke McCrea

[^]As an Advent wreath symbolizes our journey to the birth of Christ and the light of God being brought into this world, these candles in Lent help us journey to Jesus' crucifixion on the cross, symbolizing that the light of Jesus Christ was briefly extinguished. Each week we extinguish a candle as we approach Good Friday, symbolizing Christ's journey through the wilderness and towards the cross and the tomb. On Good Friday, it appeared that the darkness of death had won and Light had been extinguished. But we know that this was only temporary and Jesus' resurrection shows us his power over sin and death. During the time of our Lenten reading, please take the time to meditate on what Christ has done for you and for this world, and consider how he suffered so that we can live as followers of Christ.

^{^^}W&S is Worship & Song, the small, green songbook found in the pew racks.

Preparing for Worship Use the week's liturgical scriptures and questions to help prepare you for worship. Next week's are available if you want to look ahead.

This week's:

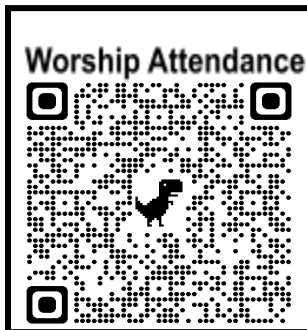
Palm Sunday: Matt 21:1-11; Ps 118:1-2, 19-29 (UMH 839);

Passion Sunday: Isa 50:4-9a; Ps 31:9-16; (UMH 764); Phil 2:5-11; Matt 26:14-27 or 27:11-54

Worship Question: What part of Holy Week is most meaningful to you?

Next week's: Jer 31:1-6; Ps 118:1-2, 14-24 (UMH 839); Col 3:1-4 or Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18 or Matt 28:1-10

Worship Question: What do you find exciting about your faith?



Welcome to Worship

Members, Regular Attendees, and Visitors: please scan the QR code or fill out the attendance slip to record your attendance. Slips may be placed in the offering plates or the basket by the Sanctuary entrance.

First Time Visitors: Please complete a blue "CONNECT" card in the pew rack in front of you; it may be given to the usher or placed in the offertory plates. We invite you to pick up a Welcome Packet at the Welcome Table before you leave.

Children are welcome to stay in worship with you. Additionally, Christ UMC offers a **staffed nursery** for children ages birth through 4 years old during the 8:30 and 11 AM worship services in room 130, in the preschool hallway. An **unstaffed space**, in rooms 120-122 across from the cafe, is available in case you need a quiet place to rock your child or some space to move around. The worship service is broadcasted through a speaker. If you have special needs or need help locating any of these spaces, please see one of our ushers.

CHRIST KIDS' ARTWORK CORNER



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Contact Us!

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See our full staff list on our website under "I'm New Here > Our Staff"

A special thank you to all who help make the worship services possible!!

+Electronic Giving is an easy way to ensure that your gifts are reaching the church even when you cannot be present yourself. Visit our church website (www.cumclansdale.org) and click the "Donate" tab in the left column to set up your online giving. You are also welcome to mail your offering to the church.

++If you have a prayer request you can email it to the prayer chain (prayers@cumclansdale.org) or directly to the pastor.

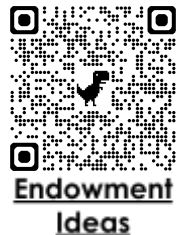
+++To hear the sermon again, please visit our website and under "Get Involved > Worship". To hear any sermons you may have missed in the past, visit our YouTube channel (www.youtube.com/@ChristUMCLansdale).

Sign up for Weekly Emails: Visit our website and fill out the "Weekly Email Sign Up" form on our homepage.

Announcements

For more detailed information of each event check out our weekly emails or www.cumclansdale.org under Events/Sign Ups and Upcoming Events. The QR code will take you directly to the page.

- **Gift cards available for Easter baskets!** - Need some ideas for your Easter baskets this year? Stop by the gift card table for Amazon, Dairy Queen, Starbucks, Walmart, Dave & Buster's, and more! Remember, you pay the same price as you would in store, but the church receives a donation on each purchase! Show your loved ones you are thinking of them while helping us make improvements to the church building!
- **EGGstravaganza Egg Sign Ups are LIVE! Sign up to participate and to volunteer!** - EGGstravaganza sign-ups are live on our website! The EGGstravaganza will be TODAY, Mar. 29th, 1 - 4 PM. If you would like to volunteer or attend, you can check to see what is still available online!
- **Children's Good Friday Event** - Most kids (and adults!) wonder why we call Good Friday "Good". Our Good Friday event is meant to help your child answer that question. The event runs from 10 AM - Noon. Children will hear the story of Holy Week, leading up to Easter through story, games, craft, and snack. This year we will focus our attention on how much God loves your child, and we will be learning some fun new songs and going on a hunt to find Jesus. It is for kids ages 4 years - 6th grade and it is FREE! Sign up on the church website!
- **Good Friday Prayer Service, 12-3 PM** - This will be a time of self-reflective and contemplative prayer on Friday from 12-3 PM. (These are the three hours that Jesus hung on the cross.) You may come and go as you wish to sit and pray on your own or utilize the provided prayer exercises, which may take around 30 minutes. When participants arrive, they will be handed a program that will lead them through three prayer exercises if they wish to participate. A prayer team will be available to assist you if you need additional support or prayer. Quiet music will be provided.
- **Easter Sunrise Breakfast** - We hope you can join us for breakfast this Easter, immediately following the 6:30 AM Sunrise service. If you are interested in making a food donation, please sign up on the church website. Contact Pat or Mike Jula, 215-896-0329 or 215-896-1094, with questions. Thank you and have a blessed Easter!
- **Adult Sunday School Class on Easter** - Join us on Easter Sunday at 9:45 AM for Sunday school for adults. We'll meet in the fellowship hall in rooms 103-105 (along the driveway), as Frieda Bailey leads us in a discussion of John 11. If your class isn't meeting, or you'd like to experience Sunday school for adults, we'd love for you to join us!
- **2026 Property Clean Up Day** - Calling all yard-work pros and caffeine-powered cleanup crews! We need you to lend a hand during the upcoming Property Cleanup Day on April 11th from 9 - 11 AM. Bring your favorite tools (gloves, rakes, shovels) to help with a variety of outdoor tasks. Stay the whole morning or just stop by for a little while—every helping hand makes a difference!
- **Endowment Fund Project Ideas** - We need your ideas for spending the available 2026 funds of approximately \$3,000! The funds can be used for areas of Missions, Christian Education, and Church property improvements that are not covered by the church budget. Scan the QR code to submit your idea. Include as much information about your idea as possible, including estimated cost, your name, and contact information. We will be accepting suggestions through April 13th. Items selected for our 2025 spending included a contribution for the new altar railings, a receptacle for flowers for the columbarium, a contribution for Nativity scene repairs, pans for the Santa breakfast, 8 thermal carafes, and a new kitchen air conditioner. We look forward to your ideas!
- **New Exercise Class** - The MontCo Office on Aging has a new class: the Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program. You do not need to have an arthritis diagnosis to attend this class. This class is beneficial for all! This program is a 13-week series featuring low-impact exercises designed to improve range-of-motion, increase endurance, and reduce joint pain. Participants can use range of motion equipment including hand weights, resistance loops, and Pilates balls. Join us Fridays, Apr. 17th - July 10th (no class June 19th/July 3rd), 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM.
- **VBC Registration is OPEN!** - 2026 Vacation Bible Camp: Snowball Mountain Challenge! The theme is similar to the Winter Olympics, except it will take place in summer: July 13-17th, 9 AM-Noon OR 6-8 PM (with dinner). Your children will learn that God is the source of their strength! Children will enjoy engaging Bible stories, crafts, science activities, and games, all while growing in their faith and forming new friendships. VBC is FREE and open for Children 4 years (by Sept. 1, 2026) through completed fifth grade. *Children must be potty trained.* For more information and to register your child, visit the church website!
- **Mission of the Month** - Feb. MOTM: Fostering Hope of Mont. Co., \$2356.
March MOTM: Tails of Valor, Paws of Honor



Who is in the Lobby:

Upcoming Events: Sun 3/29: Palm Sunday, EGGstravaganza
Tues 3/31: No Men's Reading Grp
Wed 4/1: GriefShare
Thurs 4/2: Holy Thursday Service
Cooking for Manna

Friday 4/3: Good Friday Christ's Kids Event (10 AM)
Good Friday Prayer Service (12-3 PM)
Tenebrae Service (7 PM)
Sunday 4/5: Easter Sunday
Easter Sunrise Service (6:30 AM)
Monday 4/6: Church Office Closed

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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1. Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2. From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
 3. "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" that an - cient song we sing,

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang.
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud.
 for Christ is our Re - deem - er, the Lord of heaven our King.

To Je - sus, who had blessed them close fold - ed to his breast,
 The Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,
 O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.
 and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

WORDS: Jeanette Threlfall, 1873 (Mt. 21:8-9; Mk. 11:8-10; Jn. 12:12-13)

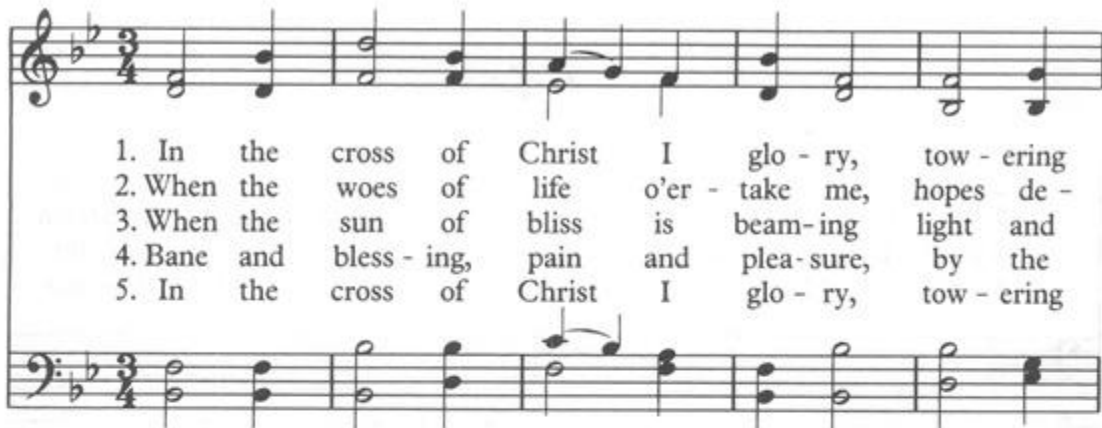
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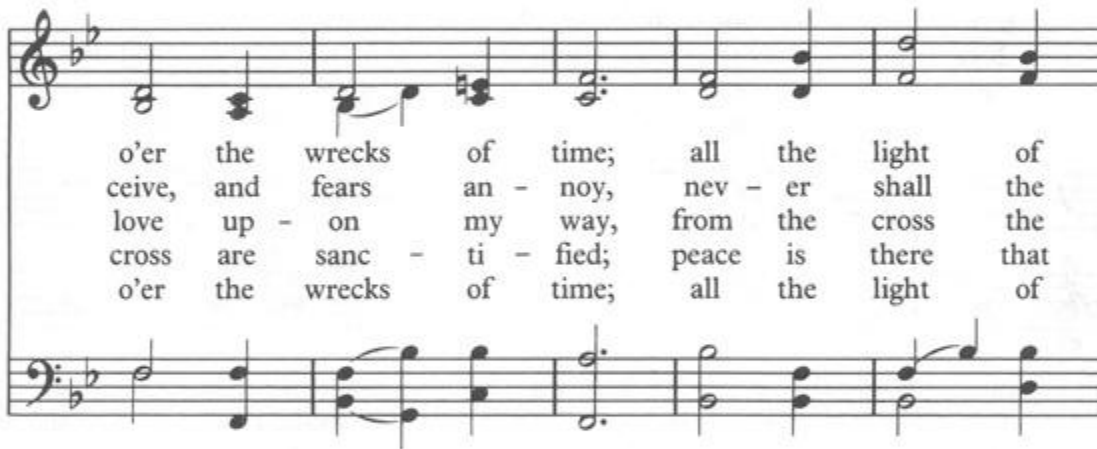
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In the Cross of Christ I Glory

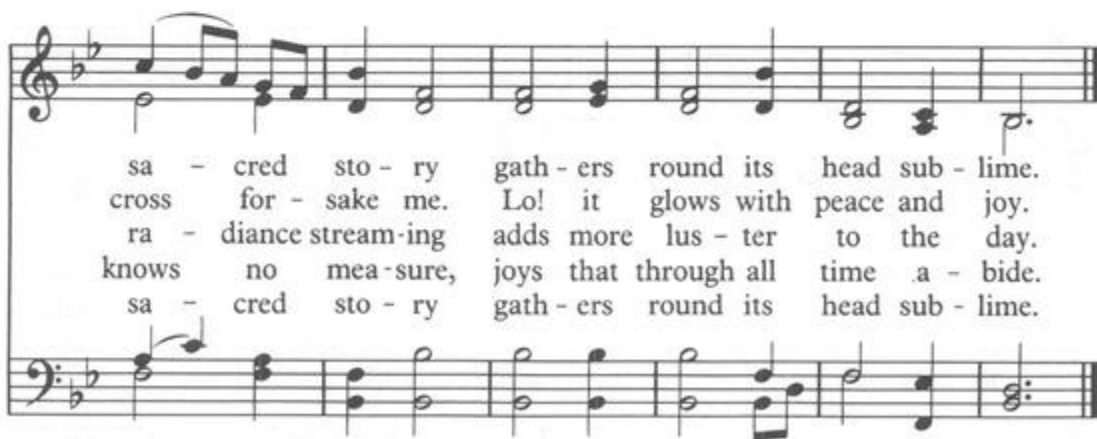
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1. In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tow - ering
 2. When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -
 3. When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and
 4. Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the
 5. In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tow - ering



o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of
 ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the
 love up - on my way, from the cross the
 cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that
 o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of



sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
 cross for - sake me. Lo! it glows with peace and joy.
 ra - diance stream - ing adds more lus - ter to the day.
 knows no mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.
 sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.

WORDS: John Bowring, 1825
 MUSIC: Ithamar Conkey, 1849

RATHBUN
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Who Is He

1. Who is he who comes in tri-umph? Who is he who
 2. See him there in hum-ble splen-dor. Hear them shout-ing
 3. Rise and join the glad pro-ces-sion! Hear them pass-ing

comes to die, comes in peace and comes in pow-er, hid-den One now
 all a-round. Joy ex-plies in wild pro-ces-sion. Praise is now the
 by a-gain — all the ran-somed, all his chil-dren, march-ing to Je-

lift-ed high? Je-sus, Je-sus, Lord, Mes-si-ah,
 vic-tor's crown. "Glo-ry, glo-ry in the high-est!"
 ru-sa-lem! Look a-head — the gates of splen-dor!

might-y Mas-ter of the grave! See — him ride, the
 Like the an-gels hear them sing, danc-ing 'round the
 Hear the ev-er-last-ing hymn! O - pen wide your

WORDS: Ken Bible
 MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven; arr. by Edward Hodges
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HYMN TO JOY
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PASSION AND DEATH

King of glo-ry! God him-self has come to save!
 Long-a-wait-ed — once their hope, and now their King.
 hearts in wor-ship! Let the King of glo-ry in!