

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 24, 2024

Sunday	Palm Sunday
9:30am	Worship
9:45am	Church School
10:30am	Coffee & Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
11:00am	Zoom Coffee Hour
11:00am	Easter Egg Hunt – church grounds
12:00 – 1:30pm	Youth Group Fellowship – Youth Space
Monday	
9:30 – 10:45am	Morning Bells rehearsal
4:30 – 5:15pm	Echo Ringers rehearsal
5:00 – 8:00pm	Piecemakers Quilting Group – Fellowship Hall
5:15 – 6:30pm	Celebration Ringers rehearsal
5:15 – 6:30pm	Younger Youth Group Fellowship – Youth Space
Wednesday	
6:15 – 7:15pm	Exultation Ringers rehearsal
7:30 – 9:00pm	Sanctuary Choir rehearsal
Thursday	Maundy Thursday
9:00am	Prayer Time via Zoom
7:30pm	Maundy Thursday Worship Service – Fellowship Hall
Friday	Good Friday
7:30pm	Good Friday Worship Service
Sunday	Easter Sunday
7:00am	Easter Dawn Worship – outside, weather permitting
7:30 – 8:30am	Easter Breakfast – Fellowship Hall
9:30am	Easter Festival Service of Worship
10:15 – 11:15am	Easter Breakfast – Fellowship Hall
11:00am	Easter Festival Service of Worship

YOUTH: There will be no Church School, Youth Choir Rehearsals, or Youth Group on Easter Sunday. We encourage families to attend worship together at any of our services to celebrate the Resurrection! A children's bulletin and crayons will also be provided.

SPRING MISSION TRIP AT CNRC: On Saturday, April 27, the mission team will do outdoor clean-up and do minor repair work around the CNRC campus. We'll be working from 8:30am to 3:30pm and there will be work for various levels of expertise. Lunch will be provided. Sign up on our website under "Sign Ups".

Welcome to the Colts Neck Reformed Church. We are happy to have you worshipping with us this morning. As we prepare for worship, please silence your cell phone.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND BIBLES – ASK ANY USHER

PERSONAL HEARING ASSIST EQUIPMENT AND PEW CUSHIONS are available from any usher.

A FAMILY ROOM is available downstairs for parents of infants and young children; the service is video-streamed live to this room. Ushers can provide assistance.

MUSIC THIS MORNING is offered by *Cherub, Angel, Alleluia and Jubilation choirs*.

FLOWERS on the chancel table this morning are given by *Ellen Karl* in loving memory of her husband, *Terry*.

CHILDCARE FOR INFANTS AND TODDLERS up to age three is provided in the **Nursery** (downstairs in the church) during the 9:30am worship service. Thank you to *Terri O'Neil* for being our nursery caregiver today. For more information, or if you have questions about the church nursery, please contact Stacey Savage at earlylearningcenter@cnrc.church or 732-462-4662.

STORYTIME IN THE LIBRARY: All children are welcome to meet in the church library at 10:40am today for a story read by *Jodi and Corery Siwiec*. Parents, please pick up your children at 10:50am.



COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP will be held in Fellowship Hall after the 9:30am worship service. Thank you to *Theresa and Don Bowers* for hosting today. To volunteer to host on a future date, please sign up via the QR code or on our website under "Sign-ups".



TODAY! EASTER EGG HUNT: All are invited to come out and have some fun at our second annual Easter Egg hunt today at 11:00am, in the side yard of the church. There will be lots of eggs to be found by our young children through our teenagers! Please bring your own bag or basket to gather the eggs. We anticipate having an "Eggcellent" time!

EASTER BREAKFAST! Reserve your spot today! A sit-down hot breakfast with lots of delicious treats will be available from 7:30 – 8:30am as well as from 10:15 – 11:15am in Fellowship Hall on Easter morning, **Sunday, March 31**. The cost for this is \$10 per adult and \$5 per child (9 years and younger). **Reservations are necessary!** Please sign up on our website under "Sign-ups", use the QR code, or call the church office.



YOUR PRAYERS AND CONCERNS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Nancy A., recovering from mastectomy surgery

Sue C., recovering from surgery

Barbara D., friend of the O'H. and L.i families, diagnosed with cancer and undergoing surgery tomorrow

Karen F., recovering from an allergic reaction

Jamey H., son of Dennie and Dave H., recovering from surgery

Ken H., hospitalized following a fall

Tom I., son-in-law of Marjorie S., fell and broke a vertebrae in his lower back

Jeanmarie and her family, sister of Bernadette R., prayers for healing and strength

Debi J., hospice

Dina M.B., daughter-in-law of Valerie and Roger B., recovering from surgery

Mark M., undergoing hip replacement surgery tomorrow

Carly N.F., daughter of Jill and Ed N., recovering from breast cancer surgery

Mark W., recovering from cardiac ablation

All of our church family members in long-term care facilities

Prayers and condolences to Brenda and Jim McQuerrey on the death of Jim's brother, Thomas Harold McQuerrey.

MISSION PRAYER PARTNER – Colts Neck First Aid Squad: Your financial gifts help support the Colts Neck First Aid Squad, an organization that provides emergency medical services (EMS) to the residents of Colts Neck, those who work and play here and those who are just passing through. Comprised of volunteers of all ages and from all walks of life, the First Aid Squad provides aid to those in need at no cost; the Squad relies primarily on donations to cover operational expenses. They respond to area emergencies, provide emergency medical care to the ill and injured, and transport patients to appropriate hospitals. Please pray for this organization, its volunteers, and the people it serves.

MISSION TRIP TO NEW BERN, NORTH CAROLINA: The mission team will be traveling to New Bern, North Carolina, from June 1 – 8. We'll help rebuild homes destroyed during Hurricane Florence in September 2018 which caused record flooding of over 4,000 homes and 300 businesses. We'll be doing reconstruction work consisting of drywall install/finish, painting, replacing flooring, cabinetry, siding, building ramps, plumbing/electrical, or weatherization, etc. If you are interested in joining the trip please contact Fred Berenbroick at fredwberenbroick@gmail.com or join us at the next Mission/Fellowship meeting on Sunday, April 14.

Holy Week Worship



MAUNDY THURSDAY—MARCH 28, 7:30 P.M. You are invited to gather in Fellowship Hall, upstairs in the Community Center (an elevator is located on the north end of the building) for a service of communion, scripture, and sharing as we remember Jesus' last supper and the mandate given to "love one another." *Please note that this service will not be live-streamed.*

GOOD FRIDAY—MARCH 29, 7:30 P.M. This is a moving and dramatic service during which the lights of the sanctuary are gradually dimmed until we are in complete darkness. A bell then tolls 33 times reminding us of the years that Jesus lived on earth. Confronting the crucifixion is not easy – but it is necessary so that we can best appreciate the radically redemptive Good News of Easter. This service is held in the sanctuary.

EASTER—MARCH 31, 7:00 A.M. This half-hour service is held outdoors in the cemetery adjacent to the church (dress comfortably) as we recall those who went to the tomb of Jesus "early in the morning" only to find that the stone had been rolled away and that Jesus was raised from the dead. In case of inclement weather, this service will be held in the sanctuary. *Please note that this service will not be live-streamed.*

9:30 AND 11:00 A.M. Festival services celebrating the resurrection feature choirs, brass, and bells, as together we bring our acclamations of "Alleluia!" Thanks be to God for the resurrection that proclaims that "because Jesus lives, so shall we live also."

A special sit-down, hot, Easter breakfast will be available (\$10 per adult / \$5 per child 9 years old and younger) from 7:30-8:30 a.m. and 10:15-11:15 a.m. Reservations are necessary; please sign up using the QR code, on our website under "Sign-ups", or call the church office.

