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Revelation Weekly

From Pastor Jane:

“Let us **fix our eyes on Jesus**, the author and perfecter of **our** faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.” Hebrews 12:2 is a quick reminder from Paul that what we set our mind on will determine whether we will grow weary or lose heart. This Sunday we will remember Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem on a donkey. He made the choice to endure the cross and the shame. The Disciples had certainly learned to live in the moment because they had no clue about what was to come. We don’t know what will come either, but we know that if we fix our eyes on Jesus, we will not grow weary or lose heart. Are your eyes fixed on Jesus today? Is your mind fixed on Jesus?

Friday news: The Scripture reading from the Lectionary for 4/5/20 Palm Sunday: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 and Matthew 21:1-11. The Scripture Reading for Holy Week include Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 31:9-16, Philippians 2:5-11 and Matthew 26:14-27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54.

We will celebrate Holy Communion Online during Worship this Sunday. Please make sure to have some juice and bread/crackers nearby as you come together so that you can participate. Our Bishop Tracy Malone has given us permission to enjoy this wonderful Sacrament that binds us together as one people of God with God in the Holy Spirit, and these circumstances will not keep us from enjoying His mercies in this way.



KID'S CORNER

- Attached to this email is kid's coloring sheet and program for this week.

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

- Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
- Matthew 21: 1-11
- Holy Week
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- Psalm 31:9-16
- Philippians 2:5-11
- Matthew 26:14-27:66
- Matthew 27:11-54

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www.sharoncenterumc.org

WEEKLY MESSAGE AVAILABLE AT

www.youtube.com/channel/UCpEnqBSWTNoovtp4X1CTu6w

Sundays, 10:30AM

Our service for Sunday, 4/5/20 will be posted on our YouTube channel at 10:30 AM Sunday morning. We will post it on Facebook afterwards. Here's a link to our YouTube channel (please subscribe – it will help us get more tools to manage our channel.) <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpEnqBSWTN0ovtp4X1CTu6w>.

Tentative Schedule for the week online will be:

Sunday 4/5/2020 Palm Sunday Worship 10:30 AM on YouTube

Wednesday: Live Facebook Weekly Prayer Focus, 7:00 PM or as posted on YouTube afterwards

Thursday: Maundy Thursday Remembrance on YouTube at 7:00 PM

Friday: Live Facebook Good Friday Service at 7:00 PM to be posted on YouTube afterwards

Sunday: Resurrection Celebration on YouTube at 10:30 AM

We continue to put together face masks for medical personnel. If you'd like to be a part of that work, just text or email Pastor Jane and we will give you the pattern and the material. We've been dropping supplies off on porches and picking up completed masks so that everyone is keeping safe distances. We have given masks to hospitals, dialysis units, nursing homes and hospice facilities. There is a great need for this extra measure of comfort during these uncertain times. If you'd like to donate for masks, just go to our website and give online: <http://www.sharoncenterumc.org/giving/> .

We will begin thinking about collecting items for flood buckets and other UMCOR kits in the coming weeks. More information will be coming out as we move forward. Thank you to everyone who participated in the Love INC collection of Fresh Start items. Even in times of uncertainty the people of God continue to give to others.

If you would like to talk with Pastor Jane via our Zoom technology (or phone, or other technology), just message us and we will set it up. It doesn't cost anything and is germ-free! Reach out to others using technology to lift each other up, encourage one another that we will again meet together and praise the Lord in one voice.

That's all the news we have today. We are going week-to-week and will keep you all informed. God bless and keep you 'til we meet again! "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace." Numbers 6: 24-26

Pastor Jane