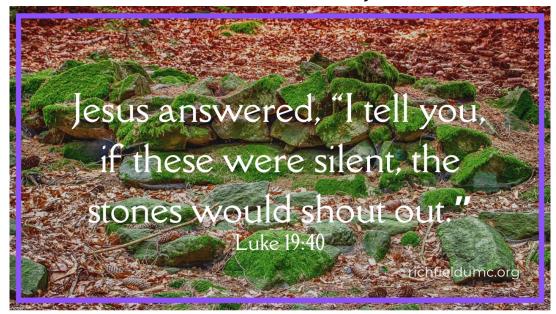


April 10, 2022 at 9:30 am Palm/Passion Sunday



ENTRANCE

bold = in unison

*Rise in body or spirit

+Wear a Mask if you sing

Prelude

"Toccata on 'All Glory Laud and Honor'"

by M. Burkhardt

Welcome

Rev. Nate Melcher

Call to Worship*

Rev. Hope Hutchison

Hosanna!

Praise the prophet, Jesus, who rides not a warhorse, but a colt of peace.

Praise to our teacher who comes our way with the gospel of solidarity.

Hosanna!

Save us from the ways of destruction, Living Christ!

Save our spirits from being sunk by war, loss, and evil!

Hosanna!

Praise the Holy who comes in the name of Righteous Peace!

Praise the Holy who comes in the name of Radical Love!

Hosanna!

Please remember to **wear your mask** when we are singing as a church during in-person worship due to pandemic concerns. Thank you for your cooperation.

Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor, to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

- 1. Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One. [Refrain]
- 2. The company of angels are praising thee on high, and we with all creation in chorus make reply. [Refrain]
- 4. To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. [Refrain]
- 5. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King. [Refrain]

Time with Children

Sharing the Peace

May the peace of God be with you. And also with you.

Please greet your neighbor with a sign of peace.

Lighting Our Conflux Candles

You are invited to safely light a candle or lamp to celebrate the moments this week where your life's journey met God's heart.

Celebration Music

"Make Way for the King" Chancel Choir by Alex Gartner

Celebrating Our Conflux Moments

Loving God of all, renew our hearts and minds.

Reveal your wildest dreams, break through to each of us.

Unite us in your vision, equip us for your work.

Transform us by your song, create our harmony.

May we embrace your future, and be your loving church. Amen.

Please join your church in praying the Breakthrough Prayer daily at 8:35.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture in Context

Gospel Reading

Luke 19:28-40 (NRSV)

Alicia Owens

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Palms Up"

Rev. Nate Melcher

Prayers of the People

LORD in your mercy, hear our prayer.

The LORD's Prayer

Our God, 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 Our Gifts

Your gift in-person, by mail or phone, or online at <u>richfieldumc.org/give</u> supports the ministry, outreach, and operations of your church.

Thank you for your extravagant generosity.

Offertory+

Congregation please join in singing: "To Mock Your Reign, O Dearest Lord" UM Hymnal No. 285 Vs. 2 and 3

Please wear your mask.

- In mock acclaim, O gracious Lord, they snatched a purple cloak; your passion turned, for all they cared, into a soldier's joke.
 They could not know, as we do now, that though we merit blame, you will your robe of mercy throw around our naked shame.
- 3. A sceptered reed, O patient Lord, they thrust into your hand, and acted out their grim charade to its appointed end.

 They could not know, as we do now, though empires rise and fall, your kingdom shall not cease to grow till love embraces all.

THANKSGIVING

Doxology*+

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UM Hymnal No. 95, alternate words

Please wear your mask.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit One.

Prayer of Gratitude*

Loving God, today we remember Jesus' triumphant ride from the Mount of Olives. Jesus obediently gave everything so that we could live a life worthy of your calling. Grant us the courage and the determination to be your obedient disciples. Instill within us the desire to proclaim, "Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord." Increase our generosity so that these monetary gifts may be transformed into inspired ministries. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

Solo

"I Only Want to Say (Gethsemane)" from: Jesus Christ Superstar Brad Gardner, soloist

by A. Lloyd Webber

Benediction*

...And until we meet again, let us live... in faith, justice, and joy! Amen.

Postlude

"O Sacred Head Now Wounded"

by J. Brahms

Thank you for worshiping as Richfield United Methodist Church. We hope you had a good experience. Worship is over. Service begins.

Hello, guests! Welcome to worship as Richfield UMC. It's a big step to come to a new church and we're glad you're here. If you have questions, please ask any church member, and we hope you have a good experience.



NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, April 10

Sunday School

Today children leave worship following the Time with Children for Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall. As always, children are welcome in worship. Contact: Rev. Hope, hhutchison@richfieldumc.org.

Confirmation class immediately following worship in the Grace Room.

2022 Easter Flower Donations

You are invited to honor your loved ones by giving towards the flowers for this year's Easter celebration. An order form can be found in the Commons Area. Forms and payment are due today, Sunday, April 10.

EcoPalms: With EcoPalms for Palm Sunday, Richfield UMC is promoting environmental stewardship and social justice. These palms are sustainably harvested and managed. Palm gatherers receive a higher price for their fair trade palms improving the communities gathering the palms.

Youth Group This Wednesday, April 13

Wednesdays, 7:30pm-8:30pm in the Grace Room Contact: Rev. Hope at hhutchison@richfieldumc.org.

Time for LIFE: Learning, Inspiration, and Fellowship for Everyone

This Thursday, April 14, 1:00-2:00 pm

Program: "Vanishing Landmarks", with speaker Doug Ohman Both in-person and online; the church bus will be available. For in-person, please RSVP by April 12. Sign-up sheet located on the table in the commons area or contact Nurse Kay, 612-861-6086 or kbergeland@richfieldumc.org Zoom link: Zoom Meeting ID: 813-2660-1056 Passcode: 5835 OR Call-In: 312-626-6799, then enter Meeting ID and Passcode (standard rates may apply)

Holy Week and Easter Worship Services

Maundy Thursday | April 14, In-Person and Livestreamed at 7:00 pm We remember the special night when Jesus demonstrated a servant heart by washing his disciples' feet and sharing in the Last Supper.

Good Friday | April 15, In-Person and Livestreamed at 7:00 pm
We acknowledge the pain and loss in our lives at this worship service that touches upon the final words of Jesus in scripture and music.

Holy Saturday | April 16, Online-Only at 7:00 pm There will be an Easter Vigil at 7:00pm (online-only, 2021 rebroadcast)

Easter Day | Sunday, April 17, In-Person and Livestreamed at 9:30 am Celebrate the risen Christ - the hope of the world! - with worship filled with brass, timpani, organ, bells and choir!

Ongoing and Open

1st Mondays, 1:30 pm | Women Who Read

May 2: In Five Years by Rebecca Serle

Contact Fern Albertson, wfalbertson@gmail.com, to get connected.

Tuesdays, 9:30 am | Women's Bible Study

Contact Molly Reko, mollyreko@comcast.net, to get connected.

Wednesdays, 9:00 am | Men's Bible Study

Contact Kent Johnson, kentjmn@gmail.com, to get connected.

Saturdays, 8:30 am | Men's Support Group

Contact Kent Johnson, kentimn@gmail.com, to get connected.

Families with Young Children are always welcome in worship!

Here are some options to help your family have a good experience when worshiping in the Sanctuary:

The Nook - A space connected to the Sanctuary perfect for having a quiet or wiggly moment.

Art Cart - Children can fill a bag with items in The Nook to bring with them to worship with their families in the pews.

Time with Children - Children of all ages are invited to experience a message just for them while seated with their parents/guardians.

Sunday School - Following the Time with Children, from September-May, children may worship or go to Sunday School. Meet your teachers in the Nook. There is no Sunday School on "Children First" Sundays, the 1st Sunday of the month.

Nursing Mothers - You may nurse wherever you like. There is also a reserved Nursing Room available near the Library area.

An Everyday Prayer Life Is for Everyone

May we devote time and energy to God and neighbor and pray every day for:

- Open minds and hearts for "conflux moments."
- People in need of a loving church home.
- · Our church's journey toward vitality.

Our prayers are a beautiful expression of care and solidarity for each other. We pray in celebration.

We pray with gratitude.

We pray for those who are ill: Paula Milani, Marylee Fithian, Joyce Walls, Laurel Lien, Caroline Riley, Bill Hillger, Jane Parry, Curtis Stull's stepson, Robert McCoy, and Bev Crandall.

We pray for those who seek comfort.

We pray for those who grieve: The family and friends of Maxene Schwanke who died on March 31. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, April 23, 2022, at Forest Hills United Methodist Church, 1790 11th Street SE, Forest Lake. Visitation prior to the service.

We pray for our neighbors.

We pray for all in the RUMC community.

Please call the church office to be included in any of the prayers of our church.

This Week's Calendar

The church office/Campus is open Tues.-Thurs., 8am-4pm. The Church Library is open when the campus is open.

Sunday, April 10, 2022

9:30 am Worship

(+Live streamed & archived)

9:45 am Indoor Sunday School

10:40 am Confirmation

Monday, April 11, 2022

Tuesday, April 12, 2022

9:00 am CFC Children's Church

9:30 am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, April 13, 2022 9:00 am Men's Bible Study

9:00 am CFC Soccer 6:00 pm Church and Society Meeting

6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm Youth Group

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 14, 2022

1:00 pm Time for LIFE

Maundy Thursday Worship 7:00 pm

Service

Friday, April 15, 2022

7:00 pm Good Friday Worship Service

Saturday, April 16, 2022

8:30 am Men's Group

10:30 am Saturday Covenant Group 7:00 pm Easter Vigil (online-only, 2021)

rebroadcast)

Sunday, April 17, 2022

9:30 am Easter Day Worship Service (+Live streamed & archived)

We thank those who help make this worship a ministry of grace:

Ministers: All Members of the Congregation

Musicians: Paige Armstrong, Nancy Dierauer, Brad Gardner, The Chancel Choir

Liturgists: Rev. Hope Hutchison, Rev. Nate Melcher, Alicia Ówens Tech Crew: Rev. Bill Johnson, Dale Olson, Molly Reko, Steve Warner

Please let the church office know if you or someone from the church is hospitalized or immediately pre or post hospitalization. As care team member in-person visits are on hold, the care extended by the Parish Minister team will come in a phone call or handwritten note. The Parish Minister for the week of April 10 is Jerry Schilling.

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