

# Centennial Multicultural United Methodist Church

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**April 2, 2023**

# CENTENNIAL MULTICULTURAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 2, 2023 – 10:00am

Palm Sunday - Year A

\*Please stand as you are able.

## GATHERING MUSIC:

Erica Kessler

When I Can Read My Title Clear

*by Watts and Lowry*

*arr. by Mark Hayes*

## INTROIT:

He is Exalted

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING PRAYER:

**Blessed One, our hearts sing with the children when we see you ride into Jerusalem on a donkey. Our lips shout your praises, as you empty yourself to become servant of all. Open our hearts to the depth of your love, that we might walk faithfully with you during the long week ahead. Amen.**

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP:

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

**This is the Lord's doing. It is marvelous in our eyes.**

Line the festival procession with branches. This is the day that the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

### \*OPENING HYMN:

Filled With Excitement

UMH 279

## INVITATION TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Righteous One, we often ignore the desire of our hearts. We long to sing hosannas with a cheering crowd, but we turn aside at the sight of an angry mob. We yearn to dine lovingly at your table, but we retreat into the courtyard shadows. We hope to defend the one we love, but we succumb to the limits of our strength. It is so easy to betray you with a kiss. Forgive our fickle faith and heal our hesitant hearts, for our spirits ache to be found worthy. Amen.**

*Moment of Silence*

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

The one the builders rejected has become our cornerstone, the very foundation of our salvation. Christ offers us forgiveness and fullness of grace.

## HYMN OF WORSHIP

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

UMH 280 (vss 1,3,5)

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PASTORAL PRAYER

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

**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.**

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY:

Erica Kessler

Beautiful Saviour  
tune *CRUSADER'S HYMN*  
from the *Münster Gesanbuch 1677*

#### \*DOXOLOGY:

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER (in Unison):

**Thank you, O God, for coming to us in Christ Jesus. Work through these gifts, that the world might know the breadth of your mercy and your grace. Bless our very lives, that we might be faithful disciples and stewards of your love. With gratitude and joy, we pray. Amen.**

### CHILDREN'S TIME

Dave Holland

*(As the children come to the altar, please sing stanza 1 of Hymn 191, "Jesus Loves Me")*

#### \*GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 19:28-40

***Hear the Word of God in the Gospel according to Luke the 19th chapter, beginning with the 28th verse...***

**28** After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. **29** As he approached Bethpage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, **30** "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. **31** If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'"

**32** Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. **33** As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

**34** They replied, "The Lord needs it."

**35** They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. **36** As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.

**37** When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

**38** "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" [a]

"Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

**39** Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"  
**40** "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

Leader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
**People: Praise be to you, Lord Christ**

**SERMON:**

"The Triumphal Entry"  
Pastor Auderine Rochet

**\*CLOSING HYMN:**

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

UMH 278

**\*BENEDICTION:**

The gates of righteousness are thrown wide.

**We go with Christ's blessing.**

The path of salvation is made plain.

**We will walk in the ways of truth and life.**

The cornerstone of our faith is sure.

**Our lives are built on the foundation of our God.**

**GOING FORTH:**

Erica Kessler

Get On Board, Little Children  
*by John Chamberlain*  
*arr. by Fascinato and Ford*

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# Announcements

April 2, 2023

## **ADULT FAITH FORMATION:**

Wednesdays

1st Bible Study:

- with Pastor Judith in English, 12pm. On ZOOM.

- Studying the Book of John

2nd Bible Study: will resume on Wednesdays at 6:00pm date to be announced.

- Wednesdays

- With Pastor Audrey in Spanish, 6:00 pm. In person at the church.

**NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Please send any new announcements to the church office email [centennialumc.rockford@gmail.com](mailto:centennialumc.rockford@gmail.com) to have it posted on our Sunday bulletin. Preferable two weeks prior or the Thursday before Sunday.

**ALTAR FLOWER CHART:** We have a new flower chart, please select a date to provide flowers if you would like to. The arrangements will be between \$25-30 make your check to Centennial UMC and put flowers in the memo line.

**EASTER TULIPS:** There is a sign-up sheet for Tulips at the office counter. The plants will be \$15.00 each with the proceeds going to Vacation Bible School. Make your checks to Centennial UMC and mark Tulips on the memo line. Today is the last day to order.

**Good Samaritan Fund.** Our Good Samaritan Fund is low. Money in this fund is used to help church members with financial assistance for housing, food and medical bills. If you would like to donate to boost this fund, please put your check in the collection plate. Make sure you put Good Samaritan Fund on the memo line. Your consideration to contribute to this fund is very much appreciated.

The worship team for the Spanish service has practice Saturdays at 1:00pm.

Volunteers needed to help with the children's ministry. Assist Dave during Sunday School. We need volunteers for Sundays.

## LENT & HOLY WEEK CALENDAR

April 2, 2023	Palm Sunday	10:00 am
April 6, 2023	Maundy Thursday	12:15 – 12:45 pm Bilingual
April 7, 2023	Good Friday	12:15 – 1:00 pm Bilingual
April 6, 2023	Easter Sunday	10:00 am Bilingual

## **\*\*PRAYER LIST\*\***

***At W. Willows:*** Art Huenkemeier.

***At Home:*** Carol Risenhoover, Carol Waxler, Ellen Dean, Pat Nelson, Aida DeJesus.

***Undergoing Treatment/Rehab:*** Ken Dahlgren, John Paul, Tara & Ismael Arencibia, Chuck & Kim Whitmore, Pat Nelson, Ellen Dean, David Russ, Reuben & Rosa Mendoza, Jennifer Martin, Forrest Nelson, Jeff Palmer, Pastor Judith, Milka Rivera, Linda Gentry.

## **BIRTHDAYS**

- 4/3 Tyler Vails
- 4/7 Benjamin Guerrero
- 4/7 Dougal Whitmer

## **Joys and Concerns**

1. **Bev Dahlgren** requests prayers for her friend Mary who will be starting Chemo treatments. Let's keep Mary in our prayers.
2. Tara Arencibia had a joy and it is that she will be able to retire in 6 weeks. She had to go to the emergency room this past week but she is feeling better.
3. **Pam Sanders** put in a prayer request for the victims of the Tornado that hit Mississippi this week. Let us continue to pray for all the victims.

We hope you will worship with us again.

You can call Pastor Audrey if you need any assistance, please contact her at 630.670.3580.

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