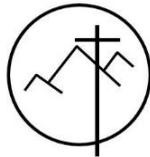


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Sunday, April 09, 2017

Join Us – We share God’s love by: Following Jesus,
Reconciling Community and Building Peace

Our human society values status, power, wealth, and success. God turns things upside down by becoming one of us, taking the role of a humble servant. In hope, we shout praise that God can deliver us, even while we ask, “Who is this?”

Restore us, O God! We hope.

Lent 6, Palm Sunday

9:15am *Gathering for Worship*

9:30am *Worship Begins*

11:10am *Discovery Hour*

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Silver Key - Golden Circle Nutrition Program

Senior Lunch in the Sanctuary 12:00-12:30pm Mon-Fri

Reservations (719) 884-2304 Before 5:00am

Mountain Community Senior Services (719) 488-0076

*Your worship service today was planned by the
MCMC Worship Commission.*

Order of Service

Speaker Paul Johnson
Worship Leader Mary Gardner
Song Leader Judy Thiessen
Children’s Time Rae Shellenberger

We Gather

Welcome

Announcements

Time of Quieting

Call to Worship

Leader: Who is this who comes, humble and riding on a donkey?

All: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the Name of the Lord!

Leader: Who is this who comes, free from pride and hubris?

All: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the Name of the Lord!

Leader: Who is this who comes, celebrated by powerless children?

All: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the Name of the Lord!

Leader: Hosanna! Come join in the celebration of hope!

We Grow in Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymns HWB #237 All glory, laud, and honor
HWB #69 The Lord is king

Prayers of the People and Sharing the Grace

Congregational Hymns

HWB #239 Ride on, ride on in majesty
SJ #29 You are all we have

Offering and Prayer

With all that we have and all that we are, we honor You.
Restore us, O God, to live in freedom and trust.

Prayer of Confession (adapted from “K.2.2 Prayers of Confession, 6” in The Worship Sourcebook. [Grand Rapids: Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, 2004], 587.)

Leader: Jesus, our Lord, You came to us humbly—riding on a donkey. In peace, You showed us the way of Your kingdom. We confess that our vision of the kingdom is not pure. It is stained with our own selfish desires.

People: We shout hosannas to praise You—only out of our need to survive. We lay down our cloaks and palms to adore You—only to strip Your garment away and humiliate You.

Leader: Forgive us, O Lord, when our mouths that seek to praise You often deny and defy You.

People: Renew in us an obedient spirit, that we may fully accept and follow Your will.

(Pause for silent confession)

Leader: God, our true Hope,

All: Restore us.

Leader: Our times are in Your hands, O God. Let Your face shine upon Your servants who pursue Your will, and save us in Your unfailing love.

Scriptures **Matthew 21:1-11**

Sermon **“Choose your Christ: Donkeys or Palms?”**

Communion **Pastor & Elders**

We Go Out to Serve

Sending Song

HWB #423 May the grace of Christ our Savior

Sending Prayer



Sermon Notes

“The Great Entrance” of Jesus is one of the few events recorded in all four Gospels. What’s the big deal?

The palm has three meanings in the Middle East. Watching the entrance, what did the Romans and Greeks think? What did the Egyptians see? How about the rest of the crowd?

The donkey has huge symbolic meaning coming from the ancient Hebrew prophets. What is it?



Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 13 Faye Brenneman
- 15 Amy Zimbelman
- 18 Sidney Archer
- 21 Greg & Karen Mortensen (A)



Ongoing Events

- Pastor Amy will be in the office Monday this week, and Pastor Paul will have office hours on Thursday. Please call for appointments.
- Women’s Bible Study 9:30-11:30am Fridays. Contact Rae Shellenberger at 719.213.6931.
- Men’s Coffee Saturdays at 7am at Serrano’s.
- “More than a Meal” 8am Saturdays, Legacy Wesleyan Church, 502 N Walnut, Co Springs.

Upcoming Special Events

A tiny house homeless village fundraiser is going on today, April 9 at 5pm at Blessed Community Mennonite Church in Englewood. See Paul or Dan T. for details.

Attention MCC Alumni & Friends! You are invited to an MCC alumni gathering on Sunday, April 30 at 4:00pm at First Mennonite in Denver. Meet with fellow alumni and hear updates from MCC alumni/staff who have recently gone on MCC learning tours to Haiti & New Orleans. RSVP to sharonnelson@mcc.org or [909.519.7797](tel:909.519.7797) by April 21.

Looking for two more reps from MCMC to attend the Faith and Life Forum at Beth-El Mennonite on April 29. Learn about ways to own our part of the story of racism with author Drew G.I. Hart. Worship begins at 9 am, and the event includes a presentation by Drew, as well as break-out conversations around racism and immigration. Lunch (by donation) by Colorado Springs Service Adventure Unit, and childcare provided. RSVP by April 26 to Karen Martin: administrator@MountainStatesMC.org.



Announcements

Next week’s Easter Sunday service will include placing live flowers on the cross, and will be followed by an Easter brunch. Please see sign-up sheet on kitchen door for food items, as well as help with set-up and/or clean-up. All are invited! Bring family, friends, and neighbors!

Sharon Baker will represent MCMC at Assembly in Orlando in July. Mary Johnson is the alternate, and Paul will be a delegate to the future church meeting after national assembly.



Opportunities to Help

Spend Memorial Day weekend at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp for the Work & Play Retreat, May 26-29! In exchange for help with camp projects, there is no charge for the weekend. On Saturday, participants will help with projects (spring cleaning, finalizing boys’ bathhouse renovation, painting, setting up summer rec equipment, helping in kitchen. etc). Parents with small children are asked to have one parent care for the child(ren) while the other parent works. Sunday is “play” time, with morning worship and brunch, and the afternoon for hiking, playing on the pond, or taking a nap! Register online (www.rmmc.org), call (719-687-9506) or email (info@rmmc.org) to let us know you can come!

Sermon downloads available online at <http://mcmcp1.org>



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