



# Worship Celebration

## *Palm Sunday*

April 2, 2023 + 9 AM

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### Words of Welcome

#### Prelude

Variations on *Hosanna Loud Hosanna*

Leader: With disciples of every time and place, let us listen for the word of God among us.

**People: *Our ears and hearts are open.***

+ Matthew 21.1-11 (CEB)

#### + Hymn

*All Glory, Laud, & Honor* (vv. 1, 4-5)

UMH 280

+ Psalm 118.1-2, 19-29 (NRSVUE) - Read Responsively

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

**People: *Thanks be to God.***

#### Choir Anthem

*Palm Sunday*

Judy Hunnicutt

**Philippians 2.5-11** (*The Inclusive Bible*)

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

**People: *Thanks be to God.***

#### Sermon

+ Affirmation of Faith

#### Prayers of the People

#### Opportunities for Ministry and Invitation to Give Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Shout to the Lord*

Darlene Zschech

#### The Great Thanksgiving

#### The Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Hymn

*Tell Me the Stories of Jesus*

UMH 277

#### Prayer following Communion

+ Matthew 27.11-54 (CEB)

#### + Hymn

*We Sang Our Glad Hosannas* (vv. 1-4)

TFWS 2111

#### + Benediction

#### Postlude

*Minuet in G*

Johann Sebastian Bach

***Our service of worship is ended. Our worship through service now begins.***

## Worship Participants

### **Pastors**

Rev. Nathan Howe  
Rev. Carrie Antczak

### **Liturgist**

Sharon Williams

### **Music**

Josh Kraybill, *Pianist*  
Courtney Popp, *Choir Director*  
Margaret Proctor, *Trumpet*  
Amanda Shalkhauser, *Trumpet*

### **Audio Video Elements**

Mark Williams  
Marlynda Dziak  
Debby Haas

## ***Welcome to The United Methodist Church of Berea!***

As followers of Jesus Christ, who reveals a God whose love knows no boundaries, we are committed to welcoming and affirming every person as a beloved child of God. Every person—of every sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnicity, age, economic status, health, ability, or any other identifying label—is welcome to participate fully in our ministries and life together as church. We hope The United Methodist Church of Berea will become a home for you, your family, and your friends as together, in our relationship with God, with each other, and with all creation, **we make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**



## **Holy Week Worship Schedule**

### **Maundy Thursday, April 6**

*NOON, Sanctuary*

**7 PM, Sanctuary and online**

*Both services will include Holy Communion.*

### **Good Friday, April 7**

**NOON, Meeting at the Coe Lake Kiwanis Pavilion**

*This will be a "cross walk" in collaboration with the Berea Area Churches, and conclude with a brief worship service back at the Kiwanis Pavilion at 1 PM.*

**7 PM Sanctuary and online**

*This service will include scripture and songs to help us contemplate the passion of Christ.*

### **Holy Saturday, April 8**

**7 PM Sanctuary and online**

### **Easter Vigil**

**Saturday, April 8 - Sunday, April 9**

**8 PM to 7 AM, Sanctuary**

*Between our Holy Saturday worship service and our first worship service on Easter morning, you are invited to keep silence, to be still and know God's presence, and to keep watch for the coming fullness of resurrection. Sign up online at <https://forms.gle/YCjf6Pv8Egex7MicA> for a time to wait and pray in the stillness of our Sanctuary as we await resurrection.*

### **Easter Sunday, Sunday, April 9**

**7 AM, the North Lawn**

*Bring a lawn chair and join us outside as we welcome the risen Christ along with the rising sun.*

**9 AM, Sanctuary and online**

**11 AM, Wesley Hall**

Online Services at [www.facebook.com/umcberea/live](http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/live).

Bulletins and more information at [www.umcb.org](http://www.umcb.org).



### **Sunday Afternoon Walk**

**Today, April 2, 4 PM, Rocky River Nature Center, 24000 Valley Parkway, North Olmsted**

*Enjoy the beauty of God's creation, both outdoors and in each other! All are welcome to join us as we explore the trails. We will meet in the main parking lot at the entrance to the nature center.*



### **Read & Grow Book Discussion**

**Monday, April 10, 6:30-8 PM, Room 13 & on Zoom**

*We will discuss **The Book of Joy** by Dali Llama & Desmond Tutu. For more information, please contact **Betsy Meikle** at [meiklebetsyj@gmail.com](mailto:meiklebetsyj@gmail.com) or 440-243-5767.*



### **Thursday Night Bible Study**

**Thursdays, 6:30 PM, via Zoom**

*We will be starting to learn about Jeremiah in April. Come join us! Everyone is welcome. We enjoy our Zoom program in the warmth of our homes. We will learn about the unique relationship between Jeremiah and the Lord, and how we can deepen our relationship with the Lord. For more information and Zoom details, please contact **Mary Lynn Swartz** at [marylynn482@gmail.com](mailto:marylynn482@gmail.com) or 440-409-5931.*



### **Exploring the UMC Social Principles** *Sunday mornings, 10AM, Fellowship Hall*

All are welcome to join a hope filled group who strive to build God's beloved community through active learning. We are exploring the UMC Social Principles to understand what the Bible says, what the UMC says, what the facts are, and how we can take action. We celebrate our faith in action. Please join the conversation Sunday mornings in April as we discuss topics in the categories of Environmental Justice and Civil & Human Rights



### **Upcoming Book Discussion** *Wednesday, April 26, 6:30 PM, Parlor*

Join us for a conversation about the book, *Braiding Sweetgrass*, by Robin Wall Kimmerer. Copies of *Braiding Sweetgrass* are available through most library systems, but please contact **Pastor Nathan** at [nhowe@umcb.org](mailto:nhowe@umcb.org) or 440-234-3525 x101 if you need help accessing a copy.



### **Picnic Time!**

UMW is collecting condiments (catsup, mayo, mustard, olives, pickles) to distribute at Second Mile Outreach. Please place your donations in the picnic basket in the Narthex. Everyone loves a picnic! Thanks for your kindness and generosity.



### **Dinner Church** *Wednesday, April 5, 6 PM, Wesley Hall*

Join us for our community meal, enjoy casual worship, and hear about Pastor Carrie's trip to Israel! Bring a dish to share and a friend to introduce! A sign-up sheet for food and help with set-up and clean-up is available on the Outreach board (by Room 13).



### **Help Build Hope Fundraiser** *Thursday, April 13, 2023, 11 AM - 8 PM, Five Guys, 17695 Bagley Road, Middleburg Hts.*

Present one of the fliers on the table at the back of each worship space or mention you are there to support The United Methodist Church of Berea. When using the app or ordering online, please put the word "fundraiser" after your name. Five Guys will donate 25% of your purchase to the our Help Build Hope Mission.



### **Messy Church Goes Wild** *Sunday, April 16, 4 - 6 PM, Wesley Hall*

Let's go wild with showing our earth some love! Join us for this Earth Day themed Messy Church and discover the wildness of creation and wildness of God's love. There will be activities for all ages, even adults! Everyone is welcome - come ready to get your hands dirty from planting seeds! Here are some items we could use for April's Messy Church. (We are upcycling, so everything should be used or leftover.)

*Old hand towels; Old cabinet hardware, washers, or nuts; picture frames;  
glass bowls or vases, plates; Scrap wood (no pressed wood or particle board);  
wallpaper scraps or samples; small jars, lids; fabric scraps; cotton batting;  
cork or bulletin board material; cassette tape cases; tin/aluminum cans (clean)*

If you have a stained shirt, or jeans, or even a lampshade, that needs new life, please bring them in.

If you'd like to help or have questions, please contact **Pastor Carrie** at

440-234-3525 x105 or [cantczak@umcb.org](mailto:cantczak@umcb.org).

#### **Morning Prayer**

O God, I know that you are the Lord,  
for you have given me life  
and caused me to rise this day.  
Put your Spirit within me,  
and let my words and actions  
help others to know  
that you are my Lord and my God. Amen.

#### **Evening Prayer**

My soul waits for you, O Lord,  
more than those who watch for the morning.  
Help me to sleep this night in peace,  
trusting that you will awaken me;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

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## Happening at The UMCB this week:

For the most current information, please visit our online monthly calendar at [www.umcb.org/upcoming-events](http://www.umcb.org/upcoming-events).

### **Sunday, April 2**

#### ***Palm Sunday***

##### **Traditional Worship**

9 AM / Sanctuary or Online at

<http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/videos>

##### **Formation**

10 AM / Children - Second Floor /

Youth - Second & Third Floors / Adults First Floor

##### **Modern Worship**

11 AM / Wesley Hall

##### **Church & Society (Creation Justice) Meeting**

1:30 PM / Room 13

##### **Sunday Afternoon Walk**

4 PM / Rocky River Nature Center

### **Monday, April 3**

#### **Morning Prayer**

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom / [Contact Pastor Nathan](mailto:Contact Pastor Nathan)

#### **Survivors Fellowship**

11 AM / Parlor / Maya Mexican

#### **Study: Finding Jesus in the Psalms**

7 PM / Room 13 / [Contact Pastor Nathan](mailto:Contact Pastor Nathan)

#### **Women's Bible Study**

7 PM / Women's Bible Study /

Contact Katie Flynn at [kathryn.flinn@gmail.com](mailto:kathryn.flinn@gmail.com)

### **Tuesday, April 4**

#### **Morning Prayer**

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom / [Contact Pastor Nathan](mailto:Contact Pastor Nathan)

#### **Study: Finding Jesus in the Psalms**

9:30 AM / Room 13 / [Contact Pastor Nathan](mailto:Contact Pastor Nathan)

#### **Stephen Ministers**

6:30 PM / Room 13

### **Wednesday, April 5**

#### **Morning Prayer**

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom / [Contact Pastor Nathan](mailto:Contact Pastor Nathan)

#### **The Wednesday Group**

11 AM / The Gathering Place

#### **Dinner Church**

6 PM / Wesley Hall

#### **GriefShare**

6 PM / Zoom / Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at

[marylynn482@gmail.com](mailto:marylynn482@gmail.com)

#### **Women's Bible Study**

7 PM / Offsite /

contact Linda Short at [9short28@gmail.com](mailto:9short28@gmail.com)

### **Thursday, April 6**

#### ***Maundy Thursday***

##### **Morning Prayer**

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom / [Contact Pastor Nathan](mailto:Contact Pastor Nathan)

##### **Maundy Thursday Worship**

Noon / Sanctuary

##### **Maundy Thursday Worship**

7 PM / Sanctuary or Online at

<http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/videos>

### **Friday, April 7**

#### ***Good Friday***

##### **Morning Prayer**

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom / [Contact Pastor Nathan](mailto:Contact Pastor Nathan)

##### **Berea Churches Cross Walk & Good Friday Worship**

Noon / Meet at Coe Lake Kiwanis Pavilion

#### **GriefShare**

1:30 PM / Room 13 / Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at

[marylynn482@gmail.com](mailto:marylynn482@gmail.com)

#### **Good Friday Worship**

7 PM / Sanctuary or Online at

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### **Saturday, April 8**

#### ***Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil***

##### **Holy Saturday Worship**

7 PM / Sanctuary or Online at

<http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/videos>

##### **Easter Vigil**

7 PM, Saturday - 8AM, Sunday / Sanctuary

### **Sunday, April 9**

#### ***Easter Sunday***

##### **Sunrise Worship**

7 AM / North Lawn / *Bring a Lawn Chair*

##### **Traditional Worship**

9 AM / Sanctuary or Online at

<http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/videos>

##### **Formation**

10 AM / Children - Second Floor /

Youth - Second & Third Floors / Adults First Floor

##### **Modern Worship**

11 AM / Wesley Hall