

A Newsletter of

April 2022

# The Foreside Community Church United Church of Christ



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Discovering how our Lives Make a Difference

Mardi Gras on the Grounds - Food, Fun, and Fire! (See page 8 for more.)

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ASTOR'S COVER LETTER 2022 LENTEN SCHEDULE & SUNDAY WORSHIP A CALL FOR DELEGATES, SUPPORTING FCC, CONNECTING W/ PASTOR GEOFF A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS: FELLOWSHIP & J&O MINISTRIES 4 UPDATES, REPORT OUTS, & UPCOMING EVENTS The Foreside Book Club Makers' Meeting 2nd Gathering Scheduled 6 Travelogue Reviewed/Next Travelogue Scheduled My Sister's Keeper Collection Generously Responded To 66777788889 April Mission Moment Announced-ILAP May Steeplenotes Deadline Date Stewardship Ministry Updates Men's Breakfast April Schedule-In Person! Mardi Gras Event Starts Lenten Observation Women's Wednesday Breakfasts Stay Zooming April Birthdays Announced FCC Yard Sale & "Spring Thing" Announced COMMUNITY UPDATES Habitat for Humanity April 2022 Walk and Call for Support 10 MaineDOT Road Closure Announcement-PLEASE NO APRIL 2022 CALENDAR-AT-A-GLANCE DAILY LECTIONARY READINGS FOR APRIL 2022 11 12 13

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#### **Notes from Pastor Geoff**

# **Telling the Story of Holy Week and Easter**

Throughout our Lenten reflection series "Retelling Ourselves," the theologian and poet Padraig Ó Tuama has invited us to understand the stories we have received and learned—the stories of own lives, the stories of our families and our people, the stories of our scripture—as being flexible enough to adapt and transform... and hence transform us as we tell them.

So each year around this time we tell the story of the final days of Jesus's life and ministry: his entrance to Jerusalem, his parting words with his disciples, his capture, his death... the painful quiet after, and the great rejoicing when Easter light shows us the truth of resurrection. Each year this story meets us where we are and greets us with new insight. Sometimes we may feel like the disciple Peter who denies Jesus, sometimes we may be Mary Magdalene who recognizes him even through the uncertainty and wonder of resurrection. Sometimes, we most connect with the shining light of Easter morning... sometimes we need to know that God is with us, even in the shadows of a tomb. Above all, we are reminded wherever we may be in these stories... we are not alone, but surrounded by God's loving presence.

In the last month, as we have watched scenes of violence and suffering brought to us in the news of the war in Ukraine and the resulting refugee crisis, the Holy Week story has again been made clear as we try to make sense of tragic stories such as these. Our faith story shows us God so loves us that God has come to touch even the deepest pain... to assure us that we are not alone in it, and in that assurance to transform those painful parts of our story into new life and hope that can sustain us. We need the gifts of this story of God's love and transformation these days. It is a joy to share in those gifts together in beloved community.

Here at church, we find ourselves entering a time of "retelling:" the current reduction in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations allows us to reclaim some of our most cherished practices of gathering and worshipping around Holy Week, Easter Sunday, and the season of Easter.

The Governing Board has voted to remove the registration requirement and attendance cap on worship. We will continue to monitor events closely, and may continue to make changes to our worship protocols. For now, I want to remind you that we are committed to welcoming and protecting others who may have additional health concerns. In worship, then:

- Windows will remain open.
- Masks will be required when not leading worship.
- We will respect each other's decisions around distance and contact.
- Overflow seating will be available via video feed to Fellowship Hall if at any time folks feel like they need more space.
- We will continue to commit to informing the church office if we or someone in our household tests positive for COVID-19 after attending worship.

I know I am looking forward to seeing more of you and more of the traditions of this time. I also know that I am thankful to again share the story of Holy Week with one another.

On a personal note, I want to thank you all for your continued prayers of support for Julia and me. We are still tenderly and excitedly awaiting the birth of our second daughter, whom we expect sometime around or before May 23rd. I am also thankful for the good and faithful work of leaders and clergy in our congregation to arrange for a time of parental leave for me. Stay tuned for details of that time next month!

Wishing you many blessings as we continue to find ourselves woven into the story of God's redeeming work and Christ's resurrection in the days to come.

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### We have returned to worship in the sanctuary!

Attendance on Sundays is open to all with the following prevention protocols in place:

- Masks will be required for all attendees.
- We ask households to give each other good social distance.
  - Windows will be opened enough to increase ventilation.
  - Worship will also be live-streamed for any who cannot
    - or do not feel comfortable attending by going to:

https://www.youtube.com/ForesideCommunityChurch

# Holy Week Events

**On Palm Sunday, April 10th**, as we tell of Jesus's triumphant entrance into Jerusalem, we'll share in the joyful crowds welcoming Jesus, but also how we struggle to make sense and heal from events of great sorrow and trauma like we hear in the story of Jesus's passion and death. In the last two years, many of us have known grief, isolation, and even trauma. How do we engage these difficult stories on the way to mental health and healing? We will be joined by Dr. Jennifer Blanchette (daughter-in-law of our own Dotty Blanchette) for a Mission Moment, and a conversation and Q&A after worship. Jennifer is practicing psychologist in our area, including working with people to heal from trauma.

**On Good Friday, April 15th at 7:00 p.m.** join us for the service of Tenebrae (or, *Shadows*). In quiet and candlelight we tell the story of Jesus's last day. In the heartbreak of the tomb, we mourn, but also wait for the hope of Easter dawn.

**On Easter Sunday, April 17th join us at 6:00 a.m.** at the Portland Yacht Club (40 Old Powerhouse Rd. Just off Foreside Road in Falmouth) for our Sunrise Easter Service with Communion. **at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.** There are services of Easter rejoicing with choirs in the Sanctuary. **at 9:30 a.m.** children and families are invited to join us for the return of our *Annual Easter Egg Hunt* just outside the church! After the **10:30 a.m. service** we will join together for a time of community celebration with *our first Coffee Hour together in two years!* 

Lenten Morning Prayers	<i>Re-telling Ourselves</i> <i>"Writing Lent as a New Story</i> <i>of God with Us"</i>
With Pastor Chuck	With Pastor Geoff
8:00 a.m. <u>Via Zoom Link Here</u> Thursdays, March 31, April 7, & April 14	in the upstairs classroom after service Sunday, April 3
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Tuesdays, April 5 & April 12	Wednesday, April 6 @ 6:00 p.m. <u>Via Zoom</u> Link Here

#### A Call for Delegates to the Maine Conference, United Church of Christ

Foreside Community Church is one of over 5,000 United Church of Christ congregations in the United States. While UCC churches are autonomous, they come together as one church to join in faith and action. The organization is divided into geographic Conferences and Associations; we belong to the Cumberland Association within the Maine Conference. Each member church may elect lay delegates to represent that congregation at meetings of the Conference and Association. Foreside Community Church is allowed three delegates based on our size, but Charlie Bernacchio is currently our only representative. If you would like to learn more about the UCC and meet folks from other churches around our state, please consider joining Charlie in this important calling. Here is what is involved:

#### **The Cumberland Association**

- An annual meeting in the fall, held on a Sunday afternoon in a local congregation.
- Usually a spring educational event, sometimes held on a Saturday.
- Ecclesiastical Councils, ordinations, installations: to determine a candidate's fitness for ministry, or to gather and bless the new ministry of a pastor (and church, if installing); usually three per year, held on a Sunday afternoon.

#### **Maine Conference**

- An annual meeting in the fall, followed by a learning event.
- Preliminary meetings before annual meeting to explain the budget and any resolutions

Delegates should expect to meet with Pastor Geoff prior to gatherings of the Conference to help answer any questions they might have leading up to the meeting, and to meet with the FCC Governing Board to report out after annual meetings of the Association and the Conference.

Please chat with Charlie Bernacchio (charlieb@usm.maine.edu) or John Kipp (johnkippjr@gmail.com) if you would like to learn more about their experiences as delegates. We will elect our delegates for the coming year at our FCC Spring Congregational Meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Please let Deb Gray know if you are interested in serving.

#### Supporting the Ministry of FCC

As we work to continue to offer ministry inside and out of our congregation in a time of so much instability, we would invite you consider how you can continue to support our work in the world. Please know that if you would like to mail a gift or regular pledge payment to the church office, the office will be open to receive that gift.

If you would like to make a one time gift online, or if you would like create an account for a monthly recurring gift, you may do so through PayPal by going to our giving page and clicking the "*Donate*" button.

Thank you for the ways you share from your lives and empower the ministry of the church, offering connection, nurturing, and support here and in the wider world!





I am fully vaccinated and am available for times to visit, sit, or pray together as you would like. If you would like to schedule a meeting, <u>you can do so</u> here, or by contacting me <u>by email</u>.

Blessings of the Spirit to you.

On the road and missing a sermon? Want to go back and revisit any one sermon? Want to share a sermon with a friend or family member? Pastor Geoff's sermons in both written and audio form from May 2019 to the present can be viewed and/or heard on FCC's website at:

http://www.foresidechurch.org/ index.php/category/sermons/.

# A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS A CALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND INVOLVEMENT - The Fellowship Ministry

#### Many Hands and Heads Together Make Light Work and More Fun

Do you enjoy gathering in community? Would you like giving back to your community with a minimal commitment? Do you like brainstorming new ideas and getting to see them come to fruition? If your answer to any of these is yes, we would love to encourage you to join the Fellowship Ministry. We consider ourselves the ministry of *"Welcoming, Community and Fun!"* 

We are the folks behind the **Travelogues**, the list of **things to do during the holidays**, the **Summer Fun List**, **Fire Pit Gatherings**, the **Caroling Party**, and the **Mardi Gras Cupcake Party and Mask Making Event**. We have organized **grief discussions** as well as the **celebration of our birthdays** (more to come once we can be in person). We will be bringing a bake sale to the FCC Yard Sale and working with CE for a grand Easter celebration. We also are talking about something special for next year's Maine Marathon.

We welcome enthusiastic folks who are willing to throw out ideas and have some fun making these ideas come to life. With any luck in 2022 we will be able to meet in person and get back to organizing coffee hours and potlucks along with several other new activities. PLEASE consider joining our band of merry makers. Any questions, call Liz Ventre 207-653-4117, or contact any of our other committee members: Wendi Maynard, Colleen Hutchinson, Shirley Pyles, Lynn Thomas Harrison, Carolyn Murray or Pete Ventre. (See your directory for contact info.)

#### **A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS**

#### A CALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND INVOLVEMENT - The Justice & Outreach Ministry

During this past year you might have heard messages shared during Sunday services about the struggles of the Lakota Sioux in South Dakota or the needs of women recently released from incarceration. These are just two of the causes introduced to the congregation by the Ministry of Justice & Outreach during the past year.

A number of the local and distant ways our church serves others through J&O are programs introduced by various members of our church. As we decide how to share, we reflect and are joined by guidance from Pastor Geoff.

For many years all of you have provided education and food to the children at the Lo-oc Soup Kitchen in the Philippines, and our church children raised the funds to buy and feed a cow for a Uganda Orphanage.

Do you have a passion to serve others or to address an environmental need with the assistance of others in the Foreside Community Church? The Ministry of Justice & Outreach would welcome you and your ideas. For more information please contact one of the Ministry members for information:

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(pictured to the left) Emily the cow, so named after former FCC member Emily Walsek, was gifted to the Mbabaali Orphanage in 2014. Emily (Walsek) received the naming honor for being the first to donate to the livestock collection effort. Emily (the cow) has since given birth on five separate occasions, all offspring doing just fine providing milk and cheese to the children. An extremely important food necessity since no one was allowed to leave the orphanage during the COVID outbreak forcing the home to be food selfsufficient.



UPDATES, REPORT OUTS, AND UPCOMING EVENTS



#### The Foreside Book Club

will be meeting on Wednesday, April 20 when we will be discussing <u>Case Histories</u> by Kate Atkinson. <u>Case</u> is the first book in Kate Atkinson's Jackson Brodie Mysteries series, called "the best mystery of the decade" by Stephen King, and in which finds private investigator Jackson Brodie following three seemingly unconnected family mysteries in Cambridge. In

Case One: a little girl goes missing in the night; Case Two: a beautiful young office worker falls victim to a maniac's apparently random attack; and, Case Three: A new mother finds herself trapped in a hell of her own making - with a very needy baby and a very demanding husband - until a fit of rage creates a grisly, bloody escape. Thirty years after the first incident, as private investigator Jackson Brodie begins investigating all three cases, startling connections and discoveries emerge. Please join us at **4:00 p.m. on April 20** (hopefully in person with more info will follow) for what should be another friendly and exciting conversation. All are welcome and encouraged to share in any discussion. FMI: mimihinkel@gmail.com

#### Maker's Meeting Wednesday, April 27 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Come join us for an evening of fellowship and creating for our Church Fair 2022. Projects will be provided OR you can bring something that you are working on. If you want to help in an additional way I'm looking for some folks to "sponsor" a craft. This would mean that you would donate towards the supplies. We had such a great time in March and welcome all to join us in the fun for April. Hope to see you there! For questions or to donate contact Kathie McCatherin at: kothiajoy@maine.rr.com OP. 207, 272, 4364





#### March Travelogue Another Success -April Travelogue Takes on Water

Nineteen attendees signed in to view Laura Rodas' wonderful March presentation of her family's 2021 European trip. Among many things viewed and learned, the Portuguese tile work was amazing and the scenery beautiful. Lots of fun places in Italy as well as in Greece were shared through incredible photography. Thank you Laura.

Now steer your own boat down the Rideau Canal, a UNESCO World Heritage Site which runs from Ottawa

Toronto, to with Clifford and Susan Gilpin on Thursday April **21**. Their trip through Ontario last September took a week, details of which to be presented starting at 7:00 **p.m.** No prior boating experience is necessary! Sponsored by the Fellowship Ministry.



Fellowship Ministry. Zoom in here to participate! Susan and Clifford each took turns piloting this "Bareboat Charter" rental down the Canadian canals during their self-guided tour.

#### **MSK Collection a Big Success!**

THANKS to all who donated items to the Justice and Outreach collection for **My Sister's Keeper.** The backpacks, towels, socks, journals, and gift cards were recently delivered to Kelly Dell'Aquilla, who provided our February Mission Moment. MSK mentors women who are transitioning from jail or prison back into the community, at a very vulnerable time for



them. These basic items assist the process. Because of your generosity we had an abundance of some items, a very nice 'problem' to have. Last week the extra towels, socks, and gloves were donated to the Preble St. Homeless Teen Shelter; the staff were so pleased to get these unexpected items. Once again thanks to all, and **especially to Charlie Bernacchio** who facilitated the connection with MSK and delivered the donations. For more information about the MSK program and mentoring through letter-writing, contact the Cape Elizabeth United Methodist Church: <u>capeelizabe-</u> thumc@gmail.com or call 799-8396.

#### UPDATES, REPORT OUTS, AND UPCOMING EVENTS (cont.)

#### May 15 ILAP Mission Moment

The Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project (ILAP) helps low-income immigrants improve their legal status and works for more just and humane laws and policies affecting immigrants. ILAP is Maine's only state-wide immigration legal services non-profit, helping advance justice and equity for immigrant communities through direct legal services, community outreach, and advocacy.

ILAP connects Mainers to the immigration legal help they need to find safety from violence, keep their families together, advance toward economic security, and build new lives here in Maine. Whether through community education or full legal representation in complex multi-year cases, ILAP ensures that immigrant community members receive expert legal guidance and representation. ILAP directly supports over 3,000 people each year and impacts many more through our collaborative advocacy efforts.

Justice & Outreach is honored to sponsor, in the name of our congregation, the visit to our church on **Sunday, May 15 by ILAP staff**. You can learn more about ILAP at www.ilapmaine.org. For the latest legal and advocacy news, follow ILAP on Facebook (@ILAPMaine) or sign up for the "Golden Door" email updates.



(Photo courtesy of Molly Haley, taken of one of the client families of the Falmouth Food Pantry.)

May Steeplenotes

Deadline Is Friday,

April 22, 2022



#### **Stewardship Ministry Updates**

Spring is in the air! So cleanup day is approaching – May 21 – but it may be moved up - we welcome everyone who wants to wield a rake or broom or tarp to spruce up the outside of the church. Good exercise – great fellowship! Many hands make light work! Put in 30 minutes or two hours......

As far as the church accounts go, things are fairly unexciting and holding steady; unexciting is good! The building systems are up to date with no financial storms on the horizon, and as long as everyone offers up his or her fair share we are in decent shape.

Are you a noticer? Do you see cobwebs or piles of leaves or broken limbs? Or lightbulbs out? Or chipped paint? If so, we may need you on the Stewardship Ministry. We have a good group of task-oriented folks and would welcome a few new members. We meet monthly by Zoom. Contact Carol Ward!

(Pictured above) Here is "Large Marge," our new neighbor! They plan to put up a perimeter stockade fence that will protect us, and we can add some plantings as well. Pastor Geoff sees this space as holy – and envisions memorial stones on our side of the line so we can be surrounded by our loved ones and members who have passed. It will be special – with plants, tasteful plans, and a few years of growth.

> The Men's Breakfast Meets every other Saturday. Morning mealtimes for April are scheduled on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, & 30<sup>th</sup> serving at 8:30 a.m. FCC Kitchen & Reception Area FMI John Bischof jegbischof@gmail.com or 781-2391

#### UPDATES, REPORT OUTS, AND UPCOMING EVENTS (cont.)

It was a beautiful afternoon when twelve attendees gathered for the February Mardi Gras celebration on the grounds of the Foreside Church. Pastor Geoff set the mood by providing some smooth southern jazz and R&B in the background as folks gathered around the fire pit and enjoyed delicious home baked mini "King Cakes." As AKA "Fat Tuesday" (the Christian feasting day before the beginning on Lent) tradition requires, Carol Ward was crowned the "Mardi Gras Queen" title after finding the baby pig in her cup cake. (Yes pig, as there was no baby Jesus to embed in the baked goods!) The event was sponsored by the Fellowship Ministry, the same group that is currently hosting the monthly "Travelogue" series. For more information on how you can be part of this active and engaging ministry, please contact either Pete Ventre (pete@ventre.us) or Liz Ventre (eventre1@maine.rr.com).



repast from the kitchens of several FCC volunteer bakers.

< < < A table ladened with a tasty







< < Queen Carol displays the baby pig that was concealed in her cake. For her discovery, Carol was gifted a Mardi Gras themed decoupaged plate created by our inhouse artist, Wendi Maynard.



#### The Women's Weekly Breakfast Continues

Deborah Gray continues to host this well attended gathering **on Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m.** If you can stay for just one cup, or your schedule allows the full meal, please <u>"Zoom"</u> in and join the female members and friends of FCC. *Fill up and catch up!* FYI contact Deborah at 443-0427.

#### **April Birthday Greetings**

*Our Aries* ~ are spontaneous is courageous. She has a sense of adventure and loves to explore. She's determined and bold, and is good at initiating new projects. She has high energy and can initiate quick actions. She is a trailblazer, passionate and independent:

#### • Claudia Kinnear - 11

*Our Taurus*  $\sim$  have a strong desire for social and corporate stability, as well as extravagance, contentment, and great things. Despite their occasional obstinance, however, they are dependable partners, soothing their friends and lovers with their trustworthiness and devotion:

- Gail Shand 20
- Mary Schendel 28
- Abigail Lacombe 30



#### ~ FCC Yard Sale & "Spring Thing!" Saturday May 14 ~ 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. (Rain date Saturday May 21) (Read on and then contact Carol when you are ready to be part of the fun!)

Celebrate spring cleaning with the Christmas Fair crowd! We have pulled stray boxes out of every church nook and cranny, and plan to offer the contents up at a magnificent yard sale! Do you have items that are clogging up your shelves, gathering dust in your attic cluttering your basement...

# ...Bring them to the FCC Yard Sale Saturday May 14!

Don't want to donate your items directly? Have a **"Trunk Sale"** – leave your items in your trunk and simply open your trunk and sell them yourself, then contribute a portion of the proceeds to the church for the privilege of joining the sale.



## Donate to the Gardening Table, too!

In spite of the current swings in the weather, Spring is sure to come, eventually. And so will the church yard sale on May 14.



As you sort through and clean out your garage or garden shed, remember to put aside tools you no longer need and some of the many interesting pots you've collected over the years. You may choose to fill those pots with flowers or herbs to sell.

How about starting some annuals? No one can have too many cheery marigolds. Split herbs you've wintered over into several small pots. Start cukes or squash in small quantities. Donate tubers from last year's dahlias!



Build a birdhouse. Or some kind of garden ornament. THINK Spring!



\*And if gardening weren't green enough, *Sue Gilpin* and *Sue Clark* plan to offer a Green Team Table, with juicy information about recycling and saving energy and composting, among other things.

\* Do you have a meaty topic you wish to share with the congregation and passers-by? Propose a table of your own! There is plenty of room on the upper parking lot for a bouquet of spring fair topics to share with each other. (Again, call Carol!)

\* Fellowship ministry promises to provide a **coffee table** and maybe some hot dogs or other edibles! Think of it as coffee hour 23 hours early!

#### **COMMUNITY UPDATES**

Come support affordable housing for all at the *36th annual Four Community Springtime Walk* on **Saturday, April 30th** to raise funds for Habitat for Humanity of Greater Portland.

Bring your friends, family, teammates or neighbors to the Cumberland Town Hall between 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and choose the 1, 3, 5, or 10 mile loop.

Teams are welcome, and there will be fun family activities as well! If you can't join us on the 30th you can still support this important work by completing a walk on your own. <u>(Pledge forms are also available in the FCC church office.)</u>

**Together, we have raised over \$700,000 for Habitat for Humanity** and hope to make this our best year ever – "<u>click here</u>" to learn more and register





<<< Cherished FCC member Claudia Kinnear (with friend) is again collecting financial support for this invaluable resource for the homeless. As she enters her 25th year as an active supporter of Habitat, Claudia wishes to let all those who have supported her in the past, as well as this year, to know how valuable each and every contribution is. If you wish to contribute please contact her at 781-2477. Checks should be made payable to "Habitat for Humanity" and can be given directly to Claudia or left in the church office for her. (Wow...you've got to admire those knees!!)

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**COMMUNITY UPDATES (cont.)** 

# MAINEDOT ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE

# VERANDA ST 295 YOU CAN'T GET THERE FROM HERE

# **VERANDA STREET CLOSURE**

MAINEDOT WILL CLOSE VERANDA STREET UNDER THE VERANDA STREET BRIDGE FOR ONE WEEK IN APRIL.

WHY? To reconfigure the intersection.

WHEN? Monday, April 18, 2 p.m. — Monday, April 25, 2 p.m. WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR FALMOUTH? Getting into Portland from Route 1/Veranda Street will require a significant detour. Traffic congestion and delays are anticipated.

# I-295 VERANDA STREET BRIDGE CLOSURE MaineDot will close I-295 for one weekend in April.

WHY? To replace the aging 60-year-old Veranda Street Bridge. WHEN? Friday, April 22, 7 p.m. — Monday, April 25, 11 a.m. WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR FALMOUTH? Traffic. Lots of it. On Route 1, Bucknam Road, and Middle Road. All northbound and southbound interstate traffic will be routed through Falmouth during this closure. CLOSING I-295 PORTLAND-FALMOUTH April 22 at 7 pm-april 25 at 11 am, 2022

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Be sure to check the calendar at Foreside Community Church's website

ww.foresidechurch.org for any updates or changes.

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<ol> <li>10</li> <li>9:30 a.m. hybrid worship schedule &amp; guest speaker</li> <li><i>Dr. J. Blanchette</i></li> <li>(FMI pg. 3)</li> <li>3:00 p.m. CE Ministry Mnth- ly Mtg</li> <li>4:00 p.m. Youth Group</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>11</li> <li>church office closed, staff</li> <li>on PTO</li> <li>7:00 p.m. Stewardship</li> <li>Ministry Mnthly Mtg.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>12</li> <li>8:00 a.m. Morning Prayers (FMI pg. 3)</li> <li>9:15 a.m. Tues Morn Study Group I p.m. Knitting Group via Zoom</li> <li>6:20 p.m. Chancel Choir</li> <li>6:45 to 9 p.m. Large AA Group</li> <li>7:15 p.m. Bell Choir</li> </ul>	13 9:00 a.m. Women's Breakfast (see pg. 7 for details)	14 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayers (FM pg. 3) 9:00 a.m. Handbell Workshop for developing Ringers in sanctuary	15 7:00 p.m. Tenebrae Services in the Sanctuary (see pg. 3 for details)	16 8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast (see pg. 7 for details)
17 Easter Services (3) plus Egg Hunt & Coffee afterwards (see pg. 3 for details)	18 7:00 p.m. Governing Board Mnthly Mtg.	<ul> <li>19</li> <li>9:15 a.m. Tues Mom Study Group</li> <li>9:15 m. Knitting Group via Zoom</li> <li>6:20 p.m. Chancel Choir</li> <li>6:45 to 9 p.m. Large AA Group</li> <li>7:15 p.m. Bell Choir</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>20</li> <li>9:00 a.m. Women's Breakfast (see pg. 7 for details)</li> <li>4:00 p.m. FCC Book Club (see pg. 6 for details)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>21</li> <li>9:00 a.m. Handbell Workshop for developing Ringers in sanctuary</li> <li>7:00 p.m. Travelogue Presentation (see pg. 6 for details)</li> </ul>	22 May <i>Steeplenotes</i> Deadline Veranda Street Bridge Work (see pg. 11 for details)	23
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# **Daily Lectionary Readings for April 2022**

#### **Fri., Apr. 1** Psalm 126

Isaiah 43:8-15 Philippians 2:25—3:1

**Sat., Apr. 2** Psalm 126 Exodus 12:21-27 John 11:45-57

**Sun., Apr. 3** Isaiah 43:16-21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3:4b-14 John 12:1-8

**Mon., Apr. 4** Psalm 20 Exodus 40:1-15 Hebrews 10:19-25

**Tues., Apr. 5** Psalm 20 Judges 9:7-15 1 John 2:18-28

**Wed., Apr. 6** Psalm 20 Habakkuk 3:2-15 Luke 18:31-34

**Thurs., Apr. 7** Psalm 31:9-16 Isaiah 53:10-12 Hebrews 2:1-9

**Fri., Apr. 8** Psalm 31:9-16 Isaiah 54:9-10 Hebrews 2:10-18

#### Sat., Apr. 9

Psalm 31:9-16 Leviticus 23:1-8 Luke 22:1-13

#### Sun., Apr. 10

Palm/Passion Sunday Palm: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Luke 19:28-40 Passion: Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 22:14—23:56 or Luke 23:1-49

**Mon., Apr. 11** Isaiah 42:1-9 Psalm 36:5-11 Hebrews 9:11-15 John 12:1-11

**Tues., Apr. 12** Isaiah 49:1-7 Psalm 71:1-14 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 John 12:20-36

Wed., Apr. 13 Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 70 Hebrews 12:1-3 John 13:21-32

Thurs., Apr. 14 *Maundy Thursday* Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14 Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-17, 31b-35

#### Fri., Apr. 15 Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13—53:12 Psalm 22 Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 John 18:1—19:42

#### Sat., Apr. 16 Holy Saturday

Job 14:1-14 or Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-24 Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16 1 Peter 4:1-8 Matthew 27:57-66 or John 19:38-42

#### Sun., Apr. 17 *Easter*

Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 65:17-25 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 or Acts 10:34-43 John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-1

**Mon., Apr. 18** Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Joshua 10:16-27 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

**Tues., Apr. 19** Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Judges 4:17-23; 5:24-31a Revelation 12:1-12

Wed. Apr. 20 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 2 Samuel 6:1-15 Luke 24:1-12

**Thurs., Apr. 21** Psalm 150 1 Samuel 17:1-23 Acts 5:12-16

**Fri., Apr. 22** Psalm 150 1 Samuel 17:19-32 Acts 5:17-26

#### **Sat., Apr. 23** Psalm 150

1 Samuel 17:32-51 Luke 24:36-40

Sun., Apr. 24

Second Sunday of Easter Acts 5:27-32

Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150 Revelation 1:4-8 John 20:19-31

Mon., Apr. 25 Psalm 122 Esther 7:1-10 Revelation 1:9-20

**Tues., Apr. 26** Psalm 122 Esther 8:1-17 Revelation 2:8-11

Wed., Apr. 27 Psalm 122 Esther 9:1-5, 18-23 Luke 12:4-12

Thurs., Apr. 28 Psalm 30 Isaiah 5:11-17 Revelation 3:14-22

Fri., Apr. 29 Psalm 30 Isaiah 6:1-4 Revelation 4:1-11

Sat., Apr. 30 Psalm 30 Genesis 18:1-8



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