

# UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday Service April 9, 2017 9:30 am

Greeters: Krista & Joel Weidner	Worship Leader: Marv Friesen
Pastor: Marv Friesen	Song Leader: Rogers McLane
Hosts: Krista & Joel Weidner	Ushers: Nel Kopp, Rodney Brubaker,
Childcare (0-4 years): available in the nursery	and Jim Rosenberger

## Lent 6: Palm Sunday – Restore us, O God! We hope.

**Focus Statement:** *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?”*

**Prelude** – Fidele Lumeya

**Processional** – HWB #238, “Hosanna, loud hosanna”

**Call to Worship** (back of bulletin)

**Hymn of Praise** – HWB #237, “All glory, laud, and honor”

**Confession and Words of Assurance** (see insert)

**Welcome of Visitors**

**Children’s Time** – Jess McCormick

**Offering** – Fran and Osseo Osseo-Asare

**Offertory** – Fidele Lumeya, Bethany and Micah Spicher Schonberg

**Hymn** – HWB #106, “All hail the power of Jesus’ name”

**Scripture Reading** – Ben Wideman

Matthew 21:1-27 (p. 802)

**Sermon** – Mark Van Steenwyk, “Hail the Trickster King”

**Hymn of Response** – HWB #371, “Let there be light, Lord God”

**Sharing Joys and Petitions** – Marv Friesen

**Announcements**

**Benediction**

**Sending Hymn** – STS #75, “Heri ni jina (Blessed be the name)”

Sunday School (second hour) – see announcements insert

## Prayer Requests

**MMN:** Praise God for Mark and Mary Hurst’s years of service with Anabaptist Association of Australia and New Zealand through Mennonite Mission Network. Pray that the couple will be filled with God’s wisdom as they respond to seekers’ questions about prayer, faith, forgiveness, and healing.

**MEA:** Pray for members of Bethel College’s Student Government Association as they co-host a chalk art celebration with Kauffman Museum this afternoon, wrapping up a series of special activities for Bethel’s 2nd Annual Pride and Inclusion Week.

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**Church Information:** [www.universitymennonite.org](http://www.universitymennonite.org)

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Submissions for bulletin or email announcements: [umcbulletin@yahoo.com](mailto:umcbulletin@yahoo.com)

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**University Mennonite Church’s safe-child policy** demonstrates our commitment to the physical safety and the spiritual growth of all our children and youth, ages birth to 18, as well as to our volunteers who care for them. The complete policy is posted in the lobby entrances and in the nursery room.

**To reserve space for your event or meeting in our meetinghouse**, please contact Carolyn Brubaker, 237-6602. **To participate in the UMC email list**, sign up at [www.universitymennonite.org/mailling-lists](http://www.universitymennonite.org/mailling-lists).

**Upcoming Events:** For more details, go to [www.universitymennonite.org/calendar](http://www.universitymennonite.org/calendar)

April

Sun 9 Palm Sunday Peace Walk 3:00 pm

Tue 11 Men’s Fellowship Breakfast 7:00 am

Tue 11 Sister Song Practice 7:00 pm

Tue 11 Student Ministry Advisory Committee Meeting 7:30 pm

Thu 13 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm

Fri 14 Ecumenical Good Friday Service at State College Presbyterian 12:00 pm

Fri 14 Joint Good Friday Service at Albright-Bethune 6:00 pm

Sun 16 Easter Breakfast 8:00 am

Thu 20 Worship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

Tue 25 Men’s Fellowship Breakfast 7:00 am

Wed 26 Fellowship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

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*Recordings of each worship service are available at  
[universitymennonite.org/worship/recordings](http://universitymennonite.org/worship/recordings)*

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### Announcements, April 9, 2017

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**Sunday School:** There will be Sunday school at 11:10 following the service. There will be adult Sunday school upstairs in the sanctuary and downstairs, and there will be options for children and youth in the basement.

**Sunday School Offering: Genesis: Stories of the Patriarchs.** All (ages) are welcome to attend in Room 3, first room to the left at the bottom of the stairs nearest to the parking lot.

**We've changed the UMC Sharing list email address.** Effectively immediately all UMC Sharing emails should be sent to [university-mennonite-sharing-list@googlegroups.com](mailto:university-mennonite-sharing-list@googlegroups.com) <<mailto:university-mennonite-sharing-list@googlegroups.com>>. The new sharing email list works just like the old one. All you need to do is send your emails to the new email address. If you have multiple email accounts, remember that you need to send your email from the address where you receive the sharing emails. If you try to send from a different email account, your message will be rejected and not forwarded on to list members. If you are not a member of the sharing group, but would like to be added, contact Joel Weidner ([joelpsu82@outlook.com](mailto:joelpsu82@outlook.com) <<mailto:joelpsu82@outlook.com>>).

**FLOWERS FOR EASTER SUNDAY.** We would like Easter flowers for the sanctuary for next Sunday. Bring your potted plants or bouquets and place them up front before the Easter breakfast. Thanks so much from the Visuals Committee.

### 3rd Way Collective Highlights

Join us this afternoon for the second annual Palm Sunday Peace Walk, 3pm starting from University Baptist & Brethren Church! This coming week also includes a free lunch on Monday at noon with author and activist Mark Van Steenwyk, an Interfaith Seder meal on Tuesday at 7:30pm in the HUB, a home cooked meal at Evelyn and Karl Bartsch's home on Wednesday at 6pm, and 3WC on Tap on Thursday afternoon!

For our full schedule and to find out how to support this ministry please visit [3rdWayCollective.org](http://3rdwaycollective.org) or contact [ben@3rdwaycollective.org](mailto:ben@3rdwaycollective.org). A reflection is posted each month at <http://www.3rdwaycollective.org/category/blog/>

### Confession and Words of Assurance

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.

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### Announcements, April 9, 2017

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#### Easter Breakfast April 16 at 8 am

Everyone is welcome to a delicious potluck Easter breakfast. Regular attenders are invited to bring eggs, breakfast casserole, pastries, bread, or fruit, plus your own table service. Beverages will be provided. There will be labels for vegan, vegetarian, gluten free, and especially any dishes containing nuts.