

### News & Events

**Communion Sunday.** Today is Communion Sunday. Loose bills left on the communion rail go to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. As always, we thank you for your generosity.

**United Women in Faith.** UWinF meets Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. in the FUMC Upper Room Classroom. Please join us!

**Maundy Thursday.** Please join us Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for our Maundy Thursday service. This will be followed by a potluck so be sure and bring your favorite dish.

**Good Friday.** We will hold our Good Friday service Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Please join us.

**Community Egg Hunt.** Local churches are hosting a community wide egg hunt from 10-12, Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, at the Arkadelphia Youth Sports Complex (2540 Country Club Rd). We need volunteers and non-chocolate candy. Contact Jewelie if you can help.

**Easter Lilies.** I am taking orders for Easter Lilies through Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. Order forms are in the Narthex. Each plant is \$15.00. You can also order by calling, emailing, or coming by the church office.

**Easter Sunrise Service.** Join us Easter Sunday at 6:45 a.m. (to start at 6:48 a.m.) under the pecan trees (weather permitting) for our Easter Sunday Sunrise Service. This will be followed by breakfast in Sturgis provided by Cory McDowell.

**Children's Easter Party.** All kids through fifth grade are welcome to join Jewelie in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. for the Children's Easter Party. Kids will get to enjoy the Easter story, games, and an egg hunt. Parents are welcome.

**Office Closed.** The church office will be closed Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, in observance of Easter. We will re-open Tuesday at 8:00 a.m.

### Weekly Participation Opportunities

**Sunday Night Youth.** Meets from 6-8:00 p.m. in the Sturgis Children & Youth Center. Contact Jewelie for more information.

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study.** Meets at 9:30 a.m. in the church library. Led by Claire Gehrki.

**Pastor's Bible Study.** Wednesdays at noon and 6:30 p.m. (in person/Zoom) in the Fellowship Hall. Led by Zeke Allen.

**G.R.O.W. Kids.** Children aged 5 through 5th grade, Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:15 in the Sturgis building. Bible story, craft, and game time. Contact Jewelie to sign up or volunteer.

**Chancel Choir Practice.** Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. in the choir room. Contact Bill Higgins for more information.

### Mission Opportunities

**Food Pantry.** In the month of March the Food Pantry fed 288 families for a total of 697 people. 314 boxes were distributed. The next Distribution Day is Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>.

**The food donations requested remain peanut butter and cereal.**

### Please Remember:

- A. You may put your offering in the plate, use Tithely by scanning the QR code under Ways to Give, go directly to Tithely at <https://tithe.ly/give?c=368022>, or drop it off at the church office.
- B. You can live stream services on Facebook or YouTube at [facebook.com/fumcark](https://www.facebook.com/fumcark) or [youtube.com/user/fumcark](https://www.youtube.com/user/fumcark). Watch previous services at [fumcark.org/sermons](https://www.fumcark.org/sermons).

### **Arkadelphia First United Methodist Church**

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**Custodian** Sharon Murphy

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Adopted by First United Methodist Church Council, October 10, 2017.



# Worship for the Lord's Day

April 2, 2023  
Palm Sunday

Traditional Worship Service  
Arkadelphia, AR

Welcome Wanda O'Quinn

Opening Voluntary Kay McAfee  
*Hosanna!*  
*-by Everett Titcomb*

**\*Call to Worship**  
Come let us give thanks to the Lord, who is good, whose mercy endures forever.  
**Let us all now proclaim, "The mercy of the Lord endures forever."**  
On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.  
**Hosanna, Lord, hosanna. You are our God, and we give our thanks and praise.**

**\*Hymn of Praise** UMH No. 280  
*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

**\*Apostles' Creed** UMH No. 881

**\*The Gloria Patri** UMH No. 70  
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

**Pastoral Prayer** Rev. Zeke Allen

**Reading of the Psalter** UMH No. 839  
*Psalm 118, Response 1*

**Offertory Prayer** Rev. Zeke Allen  
**Offering**

**The Offertory** Chancel Choir  
*All Praise to Christ, Our God and King Divine*  
*-by K. Lee Scott*

**\*Doxology**  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**\*Reading God's Word** Wanda O'Quinn  
*Matthew 21:1-11*

**Sermon** Rev. Zeke Allen  
*Welcome?!?!*

**A Service of Word and Table II** UMH P. 12

**The Great Thanksgiving** UMH P. 17  
*Musical Setting A*

**The Lord's Prayer** Congregation

**\*Hymn of Response** TFWS No. 2113  
*Lamb of God*

**\*Benediction/Blessing** Rev. Zeke Allen

**Closing Voluntary** Kay McAfee  
*Ride On, Ride On in Majesty*  
*-by Robert Hobby*

*\*Please stand if able*

## ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY TEXT

*All Praise to Christ, Our God and King Divine*  
*-by K. Lee Scott*

All praise to Christ, our God and King divine,  
whose rightful crown did once for us decline,  
That in our darkened hearts His grace might shine.  
Hosanna in the highest!

He came to us in lowliness of thought;  
by Him the outcast and the poor were sought;  
and by His death was God's salvation wrought.  
Hosanna in the highest!

Let us then learn His great humility;  
He was a servant that we might be free,  
and gave Himself to death on Calvary.  
Hosanna in the highest!

Lord, by Your might new life and strength endow;  
at God's right hand you are exalted now  
and given the name to which all knees shall bow.  
Hosanna in the highest!

Let every tongue confess with one accord in heaven and earth  
that Jesus Christ is Lord;  
and God the Father be by all adored.  
Hosanna in the highest!

## Ways to give to First United Methodist Church



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