

Sunday, March 10, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Lent The Lord's Day

Welcome & Announc	Pastor Timothy Valentino	
Organ Voluntary & Quiet Reflection	My Redeemer McGranahan / L. Smith Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone? Allen / Wells	Pat Shroff
Call to Worship	Psalm 85:6-7 (Responsive)	Pastor Timothy Valentino Lisa Dreibelbis
Opening Hymn	350: We Praise Thee, O God	Congregation
Prayer of Adoration		Pastor Timothy Valentino
Scripture Readings The Old Testament The Response: The Gospel Lesson	Psalm 22:1-11 Jim D	Jim Danielson anielson / Lisa Dreibelbis Jim Danielson
Worship in Giving	1 Chronicles 21:24	Pastor Timothy Valentino
Prayer Hymn	148: King of My Life, I Crown Thee Now (v. 2 only)	Congregation
Praise & Worship	My Soul Will Wait (Psalm 62) / My God, My God! (Psalm	22) Congregation
Sermon	Thank God It's Friday 4: The Word of Anguish (Matthew 27:39-49)	Pastor Timothy Valentino
Closing Hymn	134: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross	Congregation
Benediction		Pastor Timothy Valentino
Organ Postlude	There Is a Green Hill Far Away Gounod / Ritter	Pat Shroff

Hospital Visitor This Week: Faye Hipkiss, 717-813-4638

Lector	Jim Danielson	Children's Church	Sonya Valentino & Wendy Buffington
Responder	Lisa Dreibelbis	Nursery	Volunteer Needed
Organist	Pat Shroff	Narthex Greeters	Dave & Kaye Focht
Pianist	Shelley Miller	Sound Technician	Bob Long
Flutist	Shirley Long	Video Technician	Andrew Valentino
Trumpeter	Mel Leedom	Lead Pastor	Rev. Dr. Tim Valentino
Trumpeter, Pianist	Marcy Garman	Visitation Minister	Pat Strain
Trumpeter, Pianist	Sonya Valentino	Custodian	Gloria Graybill
Hymn Leader, Vocalist, Office Administrator	Maureen Logan	Director of Buildin	igs & Grounds Will Robertson



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Call to Worship: Psalm 85:6-7

Will you not revive us again,

that your people may rejoice in you? Show us your unfailing love, Lord,

and grant us your salvation.

The Old Testament Lesson: Numbers 21:4-9

⁴They traveled from Mount Hor along the route to the Red Sea, to go around Edom. But the people grew impatient on the way; ⁵they spoke against God and against Moses, and said, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? There is no bread! There is no water! And we detest this miserable food!"

⁶Then the LORD sent venomous snakes among them; they bit the people and many Israelites died. ⁷The people came to Moses and said, "We sinned when we spoke against the LORD and against you. Pray that the LORD will take the snakes away from us." So Moses prayed for the people.

⁸The Lord said to Moses, "Make a snake and put it up on a pole; anyone who is bitten can look at it and live." ⁹So Moses made a bronze snake and put it up on a pole. Then when anyone was bitten by a snake and looked at the bronze snake, they lived.

The Response: Psalm 22:1-11

¹ My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of anguish?

² My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer, by night, but I find no rest.

³Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One; you are the one Israel praises.^z

⁴ In you our ancestors put their trust; they trusted and you delivered them.

⁵To you they cried out and were saved; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

⁶ But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by everyone, despised by the people.

⁷All who see me mock me; they hurl insults, shaking their heads.

⁸ "He trusts in the LORD," they say, "let the LORD rescue him.

Let him deliver him, since he delights in him."

⁹Yet you brought me out of the womb; you made me trust in you, even at my mother's breast.

¹⁰ From birth I was cast on you; from my mother's womb you have been my God.

¹¹ Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.

(PLEASE STAND) The Gospel Lesson: Matthew 27:39-49

³⁹Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads ⁴⁰ and saying, "You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!" ⁴¹In the same way the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders mocked him. ⁴² "He saved others," they said, "but he can't save himself! He's the king of Israel! Let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. ⁴³He trusts in God. Let God rescue him now if he wants him, for he said, 'I am the Son of God.' " ⁴⁴In the same way the rebels who were crucified with him also heaped insults on him.

⁴⁵ From noon until three in the afternoon darkness came over all the land. ⁴⁶ About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, *"Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani*?" (which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?").

⁴⁷When some of those standing there heard this, they said, "He's calling Elijah."

⁴⁸ Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. ⁴⁹ The rest said, "Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to save him."

Worship in Giving: 1 Chronicles 21:24

²⁴ But King David replied to Araunah, "No, I insist on paying the full price. I will not take for the LORD what is yours, or sacrifice a burnt offering that costs me nothing."



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Psalm 62: My Soul Will Wait

When the enemy surrounds and my heart grows faint within When the darkness overwhelms and my fears are pressing in I will trust in You, O Lord, in the silence I will wait I will stand upon Your Word

[CHORUS]

You're my solid rock and my salvation My steadfast hope that won't be shaken My soul will wait, my soul will wait for You

You're my stronghold and my shield, in the midst of every threat Though the wicked never yield, they will vanish like a breath Yes, I know the outcome's sure, Satan's evil plans will fail In Your power I'm secure

[REPEAT CHORUS]

You're my comfort when I feel forsaken My refuge and my sure foundation My soul will wait, my soul will wait for You

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Pouring out our hearts before You We will trust in You Perfect Savior, strong defender We will trust in You

Psalm 22: My God, My God

My God, my God, O why Have you forsaken me? Salvation flees as I call from the deep. O God, I call, but You do to hear; by night I cry, but my soul cannot sleep.

[CHORUS]

My God! My God! Have You forsaken me? My soul cries out as I call from the deep.

You, holy, are enthroned on Israel's praise; our fathers trusted in You and were saved. To You they cried, and they were reclaimed; in You they trusted and were not ashamed.

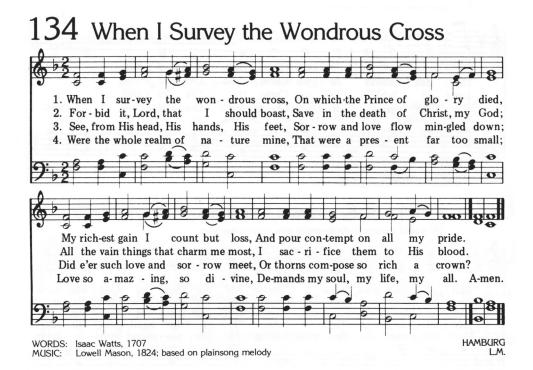
[REPEAT CHORUS]

I am a worm; by all I am despised. They see me, laugh in scorn, and shake their heads. "Commit yourself to God! Let Him save, if He delights to lift Your soul from death."

[REPEAT CHORUS]

Yet You are He who brought me from the womb; You made me trust upon my mother's breast. For You have been my God from my birth, and from her womb, in You I have found rest.

[REPEAT CHORUS]



UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday: <u>MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY</u> Online via Zoom @ 7:00 p.m. Sundays: <u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> for all ages @ 9:00 a.m. <u>MORNING WORSHIP</u> in the Sanctuary @ 10:30 a.m.

BABY BOTTLES ARE NOW PAST DUE!

Please see Steph Hammer if you haven't returned your bottle yet.

Monday, March 11: MINISTRY COUNCIL MEETING @ 7 p.m. in Zinn Commons

Thursday, March 14: <u>WOMEN OF FAITH</u> @ 7:00 p.m. in Zinn Commons <u>MEN OF ADVENTURE</u> @ 7:00 p.m. at the Keller home

Sunday, March 17: <u>CHURCH DINNER</u> @ 12:15 p.m. in Zinn Commons. Please sign up to let us know how many will be attending. If you plan to bring food, please add it to the sign-up sheet.

Sunday, March 17: <u>ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL</u> MEETING @ 1:15 p.m. in Zinn Commons.

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Monday, March 18: <u>CHURCH FAMILY CARE MINISTRY</u> <u>MEETING</u> from 6:15 to 9:00 p.m. in Zinn Commons CONGREGATIONAL MEETING PACKETS are now available for you to review before our meeting on March 17 @ 1:15 p.m.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE IS INCLUDED ON A SEPERATE PAGE



LOOKING AHEAD! Saturday, May 11: <u>WOMEN'S TEA</u> from 2-3:00 p.m. Cookies, coffee & tea will be served. Musician: Matthew Lapp on the Hammered Dulcimer. Please sign up if you are coming, as seating may fill quickly.

 The list of Sharing Cupboard current food needs:
 Prayer Requests:
 If you have any prayer

 • Snack food • Spaghetti Sauce • Peanut Butter
 • Chips • Pretzels • Cookies • Crackers
 • Toiletries • Other Regular Items
 Pastor Tim at pastortim@christcomm.church

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 • Other Regular Items
 or (484) 269-4313.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to staff our nursery during Worship. Please note that we are still in need of willing helpers:

Second Sunday of the Month: **NEEDED** (only once a month) Fifth Sunday of the Month: **NEEDED** (only 4 times a year)

Prayer Walk for Our Neighborhood Steph Hammer would like to begin a prayer walk program where we gather, walk, and pray for our community. If you are interested in more information or would like to join this group please sign the sheet in the narthex and Steph will contact you with more information.



Holy Week 2024 at Christ Community Church

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Sunday, March 24 • PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE (Join Us Online or in Person)

"THE WORD OF COMPLETION" (John 19:28-30)

9:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages10:30 a.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and by Livestream

- Celebration Song Service & Pastoral Sermon
- · Distribution of "Hosanna!" Palms in the Sanctuary
- Children's Egg Hunt at 12:30 p.m. on the Lower Lawn

Thursday, March 28 • MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE (Join Us Online or in Person)

"CLEANSED AND NOURISHED BY GOD" (John 13:1-17; Luke 22:14-23)

7:00 p.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and by Livestream

- Seasonal Devotionals (Bishop Randy Sizemore and Pastor Tim Valentino)
- Contemplative Hymns & Celebration of Holy Communion in Sanctuary
- Shuttle Service for Those Needing Evening Transportation

Friday, March 29 • GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE (Join Us Online or in Person)

"THE WORD OF TRUST" (John 19:28-30)

4:30 p.m. Showing of The Passion of the Christ Film in Zinn Commons*7:00 p.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and by Livestream

- A Cappella Song Service & Sermon (Pastor Tim Valentino)
- Shuttle Service for Those Needing Evening Transportation

Sunday, March 31 • EASTER SUNDAY CELEBRATION (Join Us Online or in Person)

"GRAVE ERRORS" (Luke 24:1-12)

9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast in Zinn Commons (Fellowship Hall) 10:30 a.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and by Livestream

- Light Fellowship Breakfast in Lieu of Sunday School Classes
- · Celebration Song Service & Sermon (Pastor Tim Valentino)
- Purchased Easter Flowers Available for Pickup

Easter AGES 3 HRU 11 Egg Hunt

March 24, 2024 @ 12:30p.m.

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PRE-REGISTRATION NECESSARY https://christcomm.church RAIN EVENT WILL BE A DRIVE-THRU EGG HUNT.