

Church Caretakers:

This Week: Mike & Kathy Hannay

Next Week: Roger & Judy Linden

Pray for:

Military personnel: Sarah Skogman, Grace Koski

Area Fire Departments



Harvest Community is a shared journey of being transformed by the Holy Spirit into the likeness of Christ, experiencing and expressing love for God and others.

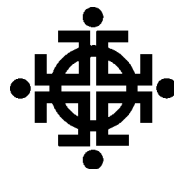
First Covenant Church of Virginia, MN

*The mission of First Covenant Church is to
WORSHIP God,
EQUIP people to live in faith,
SHARE God's love, and
SERVE the community around us.*

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Worship Celebration

April 10, 2022

9:30 am

Palm Sunday

Exaltation and joy. Passover sacrifice and betrayal. Death and life. Such is the terrain of Holy Week. Such are the waters that sweep us through the holy mystery of our faith—the waters that reveal the joy and the cost of discipleship.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Pastor: Our king comes riding on a donkey.

People: Hosanna in the highest!

Pastor: Our savior comes to waving palms and cheers of praise.

People: Shout alleluia!

Pastor: Jesus comes to show us the greatness of God's love.

People: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hymn 228

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

(Please wave your palm branches during the song. After the song, process up to the communion today, waving your palms and lay them on the communion table all the while shouting either "HOSANNA" or "BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD." Remain up front for the opening prayer.)

Opening Prayer

Reading of God's Word

First Lesson

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (Pew Bible pg. 466)

Second Lesson

Philippians 2:5-11 (Pew Bible pg. 894)

Silence for Reflection

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Doxology 48

Pastoral Prayer**

Hymn 229

Ride On! Ride on in Majesty!

Sermon Luke 19:28-44 (Pew Bible pg. 803)
Parade of Tears

Closing Hymn 227 Glory, Laud and Honor

Challenge.... Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
And be gracious, gracious, gracious to you.
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you
And give you, give you, give you peace.

Postlude

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Ushers: Shirley Koski

Technical Assistance: Bob Nelson

Scripture Reader: Mary Anders

***For Pastoral Prayer, you are invited to offer a prayer request or prayer praise. To do this, please write out your request/praise on a slip of paper provided in the pews (chairs). Then place them in the offering plate at the time of the Offering to be given to the pastor for prayer.*

For the Week of April 10, 2022

Sun 10:30am Coffee and Conversation
11:00am Covenant Clusters - Video Series:
"Why Easter Matters?"
Tues 11:30am Lake Superior District Ministerial Association
at Lakeview Covenant Church in Duluth, MN
Wed 5:30pm Confirmation
Thurs 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Communion Service

Next Sunday – April 17, 2022

Easter Celebration

9:00am Coffee and Conversation

9:30am Worship Celebration

11:00am No Covenant Cluster

Ushers: Kathy and Mike Hannay

Technical Assistance: Mike Hannay

Coming Events

April 18 6:00pm -7:30pm Dorothy Schuknecht's 93rd Birthday Party
in the Aspen Room at Edgewood Vista.
No gifts please. Note: Masks are
required to enter the building, but not in
the Aspen Room.
April 19 9:30am Covenant Women Project Day
6:30pm Going to Pieces Quilters
April 20 6:30pm Council Meeting
April 24 11:00am Spring Congregational Business Meeting
April 26 1:00pm Serving Dinner at Salvation Army
April 29-30 Northwest Conference Annual Meeting

You are invited to bring an Easter Lily or a plant "in memory of" or "in honor of" someone for the Easter Celebration on April 17. We would like to publish these names in our bulletin on that special day. Please email (text) those names to the Pastor no later than April 14.

The new *Covenant Home Altar*, devotional guides, are in. Pick up yours today.

If you would like to supply a treat for coffee time after worship, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the fellowship hall.