In Response to God Activities for the Week of March 24, 2024

Today's Lectionary: (Palms): Mark:11:1-11; or John 2:2-16, Psalm 118::1-2, 19-29

Sunday Palm Sunday	March 24	9:00 am – 10:00 am – 11:00 am –	Church School Worship Fellowship & Refreshments Chancel Choir Rehearsal All Church Grounds Clean-up
Monday	March 25	3 pm-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	March 26	3 pm-7 pm – 10 am-2 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy CCSC food collection
Wednesday	March 27	3 pm-7 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	March 28	3 pm-7 pm – 7:00 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy Maundy Thursday Service
Friday	March 29	7 am-7 pm – 7:00 pm –	Houston Dragon Academy Good Friday Service
Saturday	March 30	9 am-6 pm – 11:00 am –	Houston Dragon Academy Easter Egg Hunt
Sunday Easter Sunday	March 31	9:00 am - 10:00 am - 11:00 am -	Church School Worship Fellowship & Refreshments

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Maundy Thursday March 28, 7 p.m.	A service of communion and reflection
Good Friday March 29, 7 p.m.	Journey with Christ through His final hours .
Easter Egg Hunt March 30, 11 a.m.	Bring your Easter basket! For children age 10 or younger
Easter Sunday March 31, 10 a.m.	Celebrate the Risen Lord!

ST. LUKE'S STAFF

Pastor	The Rev. W. Scott Harbison
Parish Associate	The Rev. Dr. Bill Wade
Director of Music-Organis	Choirmaster Marvin Gaspard
Business Manager	Patti Ernst
Assistant to Head of Staff	Mary Ann White
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St. Luke's Presbyterian Church March 24, 2024

The Order of Worship

March 24, 2024

PALM SUNDAY

We joyfully greet each other and share the gifts of friendship and love.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TOLLING Please begin quiet preparation for worship as the Tolling begins

INTROIT

My Eternal King(Finale) Jane Marshall (1924-2019)

WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 89 ELLACOMBE

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (OT p. 565) Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

ANTHEM Hosanna! From Beginnings, Buryl Red (1936-2013)

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 11)

Mark 11:1-11

REFLECTION ON THE WORD

Rev. W. Scott Harbison

"Movies on Parades"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

†RESPONSIVE HYMN 88 VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

PASTORAL PRAYERS

OFFERTORY

Hosanna in the Highest Hal H. Hopson, arr. Marvin Gaspard

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

♥DOXOLOGY 592

♦CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG Janet Bardin and Gage Campos Prepare Ye, from *Godspell* Stephen Schwartz

Please leave the Sanctuary as the choir sings the Closing Song.

Welcome to St. Luke's Presbyterian Church! If you are looking for a church home in Houston, we invite you to unite with St. Luke's. New members are welcomed by the Session following worship each Sunday. Speak to Rev. Harbison if you have any questions.

Joys and Concerns are an opportunity to share a need for prayers of thanksgiving or intercession with the congregation. You will have an opportunity to mention your joys and concerns verbally at the time for Pastoral Prayer.

Sunday School: Children's Sunday School meets at 9 a.m. in Room 115 with Don Mims teaching the class. **Adult Sunday School** meets at 9 a.m. in the Library and is currently studying the Gospel of Luke. **Our Youth Group** meets every other Sunday at 9 a.m.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Annemieke Luckey and Margaret Piké, in celebration of Margaret's 88th birthday and in gratitude for God's many blessings.

The One Great Hour of Sharing collection will be taken on Easter Sunday. OGHS supports relief efforts to eliminate hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promotes development through the Self-Development of People, and assists in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. When making your donation, please make your checks payable to St. Luke's and note OGHS on the memo line or contribute online at their websiteour website, www.stlukespres.org or at ww.specialofferings.pcusa.org.

Volunteers Welcome! The Session has scheduled a congregational work day today after worship for our Easter Egg Hunt next Saturday. We will be cleaning up our yards, trimming overgrowth, pulling out weeds, etc. Lunch will be provided! For more information speak to Marcus Dees or Ed Dickinson.

Preparing for the Easter Egg Hunt: On Maundy Thursday volunteers will meet from 5-6:30 p.m. to assemble bags of candy for our Easter Egg Hunt. The Maundy Thursday worship service will follow at 7:00 p.m.

Today we commemorate Christ's triumphant entry in Jerusalem. The children of St. Luke's and our Chancel Choir will lead us in a joyful processional of palms as we mark the significance of this holy day.

Focus on Food Sundays: On the fifth Sundays of the year we are asking everyone to make a special effort to bring non-perishable items for CCSC. *Focus on Food* is just another way to bring us all together on these special days to support their Emergency Food Pantry. A list of suggested items is on the literature rack in the narthex.

Invite your family and friends with young children to our Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30 at 11:00 a.m. This annual celebration of Spring is a popular event for St. Luke's members and our neighborhood!

Strength Training at St. Luke's: Jeanne Leach leads the class on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary. Pick up more information in the narthex with all the details. Contact Jeanne if you have any questions (713.409.0997).