

**The United Church of Christ, Congregational
Burlington, MA**

PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP

"We gather for worship, study, planning and mission to celebrate the life, teachings, death and living presence of Jesus Christ which frees us to love boldly and to serve gladly as God would want us to do."

April 13, 2025

10:30am

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Musical Prelude

***Procession - Alleluia!**

Scripture Reading - Luke 19:28-40 (read by Alexa Gaglione)

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. Now as he was approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

***Please rise in body or spirit.**

***Opening Hymn**

All Glory Laud and Honor

NCH #216

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

One: Come from the city streets! Join the happy throng!

All: Hosanna! Hosanna!

One: Come! Put down your work and join the joyful celebration!

All: Hosanna! Hosanna!

One: Come! Lay down your sorrows and worries!

All: Hosanna! Hosanna!

One: Come! Let all voices join the song!

All: Hosanna! Hosanna!

One: Blessed is Jesus Christ who comes in the name of God!

All: Hosanna! Hosanna!

Opening Prayer (written by the Sunday School kids, read by Holy Rosenberg)

Sharing of Joys, Sorrows, Concerns

***Devotional Hymn**

Mantos y Ramos

NCH #214

Sermon If Every Tongue Were Still the Rocks and Stones Themselves Would Start to Sing
Rev. Andrew Harris

Anthem

Canta Hosanna!

The Choir

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Stewardship Invitation

Offertory

Ride on Ride on in Majesty

Brian Gionet

***Doxology**

Lyrics adapted by William Abernethy; tune *NCH #780*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication and Consecration

***Closing Hymn**

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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(Verse 4 only humming, end with silence "The rocks and stone will start to sing")

Benediction

Postlude

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CHURCH VISION STATEMENT **Adopted February 2017:**

At the UCC Burlington, we cultivate a thriving environment, which empowers us to embody the beloved, diverse community that Jesus modeled for us, proclaiming that ***all are welcome, all are loved.*** We celebrate our colonial roots as we change, adapt and grow into who God is calling us to be. We respect the sanctity of each person's spiritual journey and we are blessed by the gifts that each person brings to the life of the church. We join together in faithful service and advocacy with the ongoing hope that we can make the world a better, more just, and peaceful place for everyone.

Holy Week Services



Maundy Thursday

April 17 at 6:30pm Soup and Worship in Sewall Hall. See signup sheet for a headcount

Good Friday

April 18 at 7pm Presbyterian Church for the Stations of the Cross

Sanctuary Decorating

April 19 at 9:30am Come and decorate the sanctuary for Easter

Easter Sunday

April 20 at 5:45am (new time) Easter Sunrise at Simonds Park

April 20 at 9:45am Easter egg hunt at UCC

April 20 at 10:15am Come decorate the cross with flowers before worship at 10:30am

Rev. Andrew Harris, Pastor
Brian Gionet, Director of Music Ministries
Deb Raymond, Director of Christian Education
Bobbie Killilea, Administrative Assistant
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JOYS AND CONCERNS

Jan McSheffrey's husband Al Dove
Chris Cahoon
Karen Ciardi's mom Dottie
Andrew's friend Lorenzo
Claire Simas
Omobono's friend's new baby
David Leonard
Ally's cousin Lia
Marcia's sister-in-law's sister Linda
Roberta Low
Tom Killilea
Deana Tredeau's brother-in-law Jim
Bill Hitchcock's girlfriend Denise
Ryan Roitman-Waters and husband
Bill Livezey
Donna DeSimone's Brother-in-law Rick
Anna Karwan's mom Irene and gratitude for her
sister as caretaker
Laura Nowell's Cousin Nigel, friend Mary
Skip Glancy and sister Dorothy
Karen Butler's brother-in-law Lenny
Ted Brierley
Barbara Naddaff's friend Mary
Tonia Egan's Mom and Dad
Shirley Fong's Mom Mary
Kay Shute
Julies Lewis' cousin Alicia
Chris Stahlinski's sister
Brian Gionet's Dad
Shirley Garside's daughter Lynn
Jessy McNeil's sisters Grace and Joyce
Marilyn Langley's brother Bill
Kelly Sievert
Jan Blandino's grandson Toby, daughter Brenda,
son-in-law Rick
Ginger Mungillo and daughter Cindy, son Jim
Barbara Garland

Our Country
Mother Earth
Storms throughout the world!

WORSHIP PARTICIPATION

April 13 Palm Sunday

Pastor: Rev. Andrew Harris
Organist: Brian Gionet
Lay Leader: Lucy Damiani
Head Usher: Deb Glancy
Usher: Sally Willard
Greeter: Jan McSheffrey
Flowers: Palms
Collector: Deb Raymond
Nursery: Kate Smith
Sunday School: Deb Raymond
Donna Ferro

Coffee Hosts:
Baker: Donna Flecchia

Procession at noon from St. Mark's Church To UCC

Led by: CE and mini-horse
Refreshments: Deacons

April 17 Maundy Thursday 6:30pm

Soup-Communion-Worship
Pastor: Rev. Andrew Harris
Pastor: Rev. Trinia Portillo
Organist: Brian Gionet

April 18 Stations of the Cross

At the Presbyterian Church 7:00pm

April 20 Sunrise Service 5:45am

Simonds Park

April 20 Easter Egg Hunt at 9:45am at UCC

April 20 Easter Worship 10:15am to decorate the cross. 10:30am worship begins

Pastor: Rev. Andrew Harris
Organist: Brian Gionet
Guest Musicians:
Lay Leader: Marcia Rich
Head Usher: Dave McNeil
Ushers: Chris Stahlinski
Volunteer
Volunteer
Volunteer

Greeter:
Easter Plants: The Congregation
Collector: Dick Butler
Nursery: Kate Smith
Sunday School: Deb Raymond
Donna Ferro

No Coffee Hour Today!

BIBLE STUDY

Join Pastor Andrew on Wednesdays, 2-3pm in the conference room and on Zoom livestream. All, welcome!

If you would like to have a meeting with Pastor Andrew you can contact him at <https://calendar.app.google/g6MNjHjWXY6SWCG69>

PUB THEOLOGY

Due to Holy Week and other Thursday evening commitments, Pub Theology will be cancelled.

If you would like to meet with Pastor Andrew you can contact him at: andrew@uccburlington.org or 978-219-2715

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR APRIL

- 4/13** All Church Worship. The Sunday School will be in church for the full service and participate in passing out the friendship pads and collect the offering.
- 4/20** Easter-there will be a Sunday School class after the Children's time.
- 4/27** Seasons of the Spirit curriculum



EASTER PLANTS for the SANCTUARY

Remember how beautiful the church looked at Easter? If you would like to donate a plant or two for our service this year on April 20th, the form is at coffee hour and in the newsletter. Plants are \$10 each and you can keep your plant, donate, or have the Deacons deliver one to someone who could use a little cheering up.

Make payment to *UCC* and please add *Easter Flower* on the memo line. Return form with payment to the church office. Deadline today!

CRAFTING FOR A CAUSE

Join us on Thursday afternoons at 1pm in the conference room. We are in the process of making prayer shawls, prayer squares and blankets for the Linus Project. We also offer a hybrid connection so you can join us on Zoom as well!

WISH PROJECT IN CHELMSFORD

Now that warmer temps will be coming soon, beginning April 1st please only donate ***SPRING/SUMMER clothing*** to the Wish Project. The Wish Project has limited space and cannot store out of season clothing. All donated clothing must be clean, free of holes and stains. There is a bin under the coat rack for your donations. The clothing is taken to the Wish Project twice a month.

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSIONAL

Today at Noon!

Join us at St. Mark's Church 4 St. Mark's Road, as we process up Bedford Street to UCC (across from the basketball courts at Simonds Park). This is a .7-mile walk led by a mini-horse donated by Sandy from farmershelpers.com. Not a walker, watch from the top of the hill at UCC. Refreshments to follow. All, welcome!

Annual Spring Clean-Up Day **May 3rd**



There will be sign-up sheets at coffee hour
The list of proposed projects will be announced at a later date.



SAVE THE DATE-MAY 10TH!

Mother's Day Plant, Craft, and Bake Sale on Saturday, MAY 10th at UCC! We are hoping you will lend your talents to the cause to make this another successful fundraiser. Last year we sold many spring and Mother's Day themed crafts, as well as lots of perennials and vegetable and flower seedlings.

If you would like help digging up/splitting perennials in your yard, please contact Julie Lewis at jalewis@gmail.com.

We have pots here at church if you need any! If you are sharing your perennials, they should be potted and delivered to the church on Friday, May 9th or Saturday morning before 9 am.

We will also be looking for people to make and package baked goods to sell that day. Look for sign-up sheets at coffee hour, or feel free to email Julie if you plan to contribute anything, or if you have questions. Thank you!

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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Theodulph of Orléans, 9th century
 Transl. John Mason Neale, 1854; alt.

Matt. 21:8-9

1 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, O Christ, we sing,
 2 O Prom-ised One of Is - rael, of Da-vid's roy - al line,
 3 As you re-ceived their prais - es, re - ceive our prayers to - day,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!
 the one called "God's be - lov - ed," of flesh and yet di - vine,
 whose jus - tice and whose mer - cy and sov-ereign-ty hold sway.

The peo-ple of the He - brews with palms a - dorned your way;
 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
 All glo-ry, laud, and hon - or to you, O Christ, we sing,

our praise and prayer and an - thems we of - fer you this day.
 to you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!

Brought to France by Charlemagne, Theodulph became bishop of Orléans but was later imprisoned by Charlemagne's successor. According to legend, he was released when the king, Louis the Pious, heard him sing this hymn from prison.

Tune: ST. THEODULPH 7.6.7.6.D.
 (VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN)
 Melchior Teschner, 1615
 For another setting, see 217

Mantos y Ramos

(Filled with Excitement)

Matt. 21:6-9; Luke 19:35-38; Mark 11:7; John 12:12-15

Rubén Ruíz Avila, 1972; alt.

Transl. Gertrude C. Suppe, 1979, 1987; alt.

Unison
C F6/C

1 Man - tos y ra - mos es - par - cien - do va
2 Co - mo en la en - tra - da a Je - ru - sa - lén,
1 Filled with ex - cite - ment, all the hap - py throng
2 As in that en - trance to Je - ru - sa - lem,

Fm6/C C

el pue - blo a - le - gre de Je - ru - sa - lén. A - llá a lo
to - dos can - ta - mos a Je - sús el rey, al Cris - to
spread cloaks and branch - es on the cit - y streets. There in the
ho - san - nas we will sing to Je - sus Christ, To our Re -

F6/C Fm6/C

le - jos se vis - lum - bra ya en un po - lli - no al Sal - va -
vi - vo que nos lla - ma hoy pa - ra se - guir - le con a -
dis - tance they be - gin to see, there on a don - key, comes the
deem - er who still calls to - day, asks us to fol - low with our

Estrillo (Refrain)
C F Em

dor Je - sús. Mien - tras mil vo - ces re - sue - nan por do - quier; ho -
mor y fe.
Sav - ior, Christ. From ev - ery cor - ner a thou - sand voic - es sing
love and faith.

Mexican church musician Rubén Ruíz Avila composed this hymn for the choir of the United Methodist Church in Covington, Virginia. It was first published in *Canciones de Fe y Compromiso* (1978) in the arrangement by Alvin Schutmaat.

Tune: HOSANNA 10.10.10. with refrain
Rubén Ruíz Avila, 1972
Arr. Alvin Schutmaat, 1979

F G7 C F

san-na al que vie-ne en el nom - bre de Dios. Con un a-lien - to de
 praise to the One who comes in the name of God. Our ac-c-la-ma - tion breaks

Em D7 G

gran ex - cla - ma - ción pro - rrum-pen con voz triun - fal:
 forth in shouts of praise, our tri - um-phant song of joy:

C F6/C G7 C

“¡Ho - san - na! ¡Ho - san-na a Je - sús!”
 “Ho - san - na, ho - san-na to Christ!”

F6/C G C

“¡Ho - san - na! ¡Ho - san-na a Je - sús!”
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na to Christ!”

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

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*Jennette Threlfall, 1873; alt.**Mark 11:8-10; Matt. 21:15*

1 "Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na," the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed a - mid a cheer - ing crowd,
 3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song is ours.

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang;
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud.
 We hail our great Re - deem - er and sing with all our powers:

To Je - sus, who had blessed them close fold - ed to his breast,
 The one whom an - gels wor - ship rode on in low - ly state,
 "Ho - san - na, Christ, we praise you with heart and life and voice.

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 and glad to see the chil - dren, slowed down the don - key's gait.
 Ho - san - na! In your pres - ence for - ev - er we'll re - joice!"

Jennette Threlfall of England, who was disabled by two accidents, wrote hymns that inspired hope and courage in others. This text was published in her collection Sunshine and Shadow.

Tune: ELLACOMBE C.M.D.
 Gesangbuch der herzoglichen Württembergischen
 katholischen Hofkapelle, 1784