



The Service for the Lord's Day  
Palm Sunday  
8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services  
April 13, 2025

*"United in Christ's love, we glorify God through worship, nurture, and service to all people."*

Chiming of the Hour

Scripture Reading

Luke 19:35-40

\* Processional Hymn No. 197

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

ELLACOMBE

\* Call to Worship – *from Psalm 118*

ONE: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

**MANY: God's steadfast love endures forever!**

ONE: Let all who fear the Lord say,

**MANY: God's steadfast love endures forever!**

ONE: The Lord has answered our prayer and become our salvation.

**MANY: God's steadfast love endures forever! Hosanna, hosanna!**

ONE: Let us worship God!

Anthem

*Hosanna to the Son*

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Cherub and Covenant Choirs

Soloists: Laurel Grossoehme, Quinn Monroe, Emma Renken, Rose Berens, Logan Grossoehme

Patsy Surratt, piano

*Refrain:* Hosanna, hosanna, to the Son of David,  
blest is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna, hosanna to the Son of David,  
glory, glory be to God on high!

The people heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem;  
riding on a donkey's colt, he came, palm branches spread before him.  
The disciples didn't understand what was happening at first;  
but when Jesus, the King, was glorified, then they remembered,  
it had all been written! (Refrain)

*Children first grade and younger may exit the Sanctuary through the Narthex  
for nursery or Children in Worship after the Anthem.*

Welcome and Announcements

Offering

*As we worship both at home and in the sanctuary, we pause in gratitude to God to prayerfully reflect on the response we make to God's amazing grace in Jesus Christ. Financial gifts can be shared online at <https://onrealm.org/unityfortmill/give/now> through the mail, as the plates are passed, or in the mailbox in front of the Historic Sanctuary.*



Offertory

*O filii et filiae*  
Christine Van Arsdale, harp

arr. Borgwardt

## WELCOME

Whether you are visiting for the first time, or are a long-time member, we are blessed to have you with us.

As a congregation, we seek to live as people united in Jesus Christ. Our church consists of people of all ages and stages on faith's journey, from those new to faith to those who have honed their faith for decades. We consider this one of Unity's greatest gifts. We see ourselves as an ever-widening family with room for everyone. We tend to worship in some pretty traditional ways. We study the scriptures and seek to understand the teachings and actions of Jesus. We sing many of the same hymns our grandparents sang. Yet, in our preaching and our prayers, we wrestle with the challenges of the modern world.

We hope your heart will hear something personal and relevant this morning - a word of comfort, a spur to action, a call to a deeper connection with the God who loves you! After the service, stick around for a few minutes. Introduce yourself to one of the pastors. If you cannot stay or are worshipping with us online, please visit our website. See if this is a place and a people that God is calling you to be a part of, a place and a people where you might invest yourself in the amazing work God is doing, a place and a people you just might call home.

\* Congregational Response *For the Life That You Have Given*

BEACH SPRING

**For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,  
with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:  
here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring;  
give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.**

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving

### *The Seven Last Words of Christ* by Théodore Dubois

#### Introduction

All ye people traveling upon life's highway, hearken to me, look and see.  
Is there sorrow like unto my sorrow? God, the Lord Almighty,  
God in whom I trust, hath dealt bitterly with me and my people.  
Call me nevermore Naomi, evermore call me Mara.

#### First Word (Luke 23:24)

*Father, forgive them, they know not what they do.*  
Then the people clamored: He of death is guilty.  
Take him! Take him! Let us crucify him!  
Let his blood be on us, let his blood be on our children.  
Then they did crucify Jesus, also the two thieves,  
one on his right hand, the other on his left hand.

#### Second Word (Luke 23:43)

*Verily, thou today shalt be with me in paradise.*  
*Amen, so I tell thee.*

Lord my God, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.

#### Third Word (John 19:26)

*See, O woman, here behold thy Son beloved.*  
See yon mother, bowed in anguish,  
who beside the cross doth languish,  
where on high her Son is borne;

Is there a mortal, who not feeleth  
to behold her where she kneeleth,  
so woeful, and all forlorn?

#### Fourth Word (Matthew 27:46)

*God, my Father, why hast thou forsaken me?*  
All those who were my friends, all have now forsaken me;  
and they that hate me do now prevail against me;  
and he whom I have cherished, he hath betrayed me.  
Even the vine that I have chosen, and that I have planted:  
wherefore art thou now so strangely turned into bitterness,  
that I by thee am crucified?

#### Fifth Word (John 19:28)

*I am athirst!*  
And the crowd then passing by him, all did rail upon him,  
and wagging their heads at him, they said unto him;  
Vah! Thou wouldst fain destroy the temple;  
if thou be Jesus, Son of the Father, now from the cross descend thou,  
that we may believe thee, and behold thee.  
If thou art king over Israel, save thyself, then!

#### Sixth Word (Luke 23:46)

*Father, into thy hands I commend my soul.*  
For thou art my God and Father; thou art my Savior.

## Seventh Word (John 19:30)

And with a loud voice Jesus cried, exclaiming:

*It is finished!*

And he did bow his head, and rendered us his spirit.

And it was about the sixth hour; the sun was darkened,  
and darkness covered the earth, until about the ninth hour;  
and the veil of the temple was rent, and all the earth did quake;  
and the rocks were rent, and all the graves were opened wide.

*Prayer:* Christ we do all adore thee, bless thee and praise thee forever,  
who on the holy cross hast all the world from sin redeemed.

Prayer

\* Hymn No. 216                      *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*                      ST. CHRISTOPHER

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Postlude                      *Prelude in G Minor*                      Dubois

\* As you are able in body or spirit, please stand.

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## Unity Chancel Choir

Margaret Monroe, director and organist

Soprano	Alto	Tenor	Bass
Janet Cappers	Audrey Allan	James Bunge	Ted Benfield
Sara Chrimes	Susan Benfield	*John Clark	*Jim Boyd
Lauren Mobley	Jane Boyd	Bruce Edwards	Terry Hudson
*Lynne Rayl	Judy Cowell	Darold Hoops	*Jim Lester
Elizabeth Shamble	Tori Hickerson	Dave Reimer	Thomas Monroe
*Christy Stephens	Karen Hoops	Chris Routh	*Bill Noel
Katherine Weller	Miranda Hopkins	*Andreas Schuhmacher	Brian Rayl
	Jane Hudson	Phil Stocker	Nils Steika
	Jan Rogers	Larry Terrell	Tom Thomasson
	Maggie Thomasson		Jim Webb
			*Spratt White

\* - denotes soloist

## Instrumentalists

Olena Ross, violin  
Casey Mink, violin  
Laci Wargo, viola  
Oksana McCarthy, cello  
Christine Van Arsdale, harp  
Jill Nordgren, flute  
Javier Perez, oboe  
Stephanie Wilson, timpani

## Leading Worship this morning:

Rev. Dr. Matt Rich  
Senior Pastor

Rev. Molly Spangler  
Associate Pastor

Rev. Dr. Mark Verdery  
Parish Associate

Margaret Monroe  
Director of Music

### Acolytes:

**8:45 a.m.**

Avery Cameron  
Olivia Pascal

**11:00 a.m.**

Mia Smith

## Children's Ministry Staff:

Kathryn McGregor  
Director of Christian  
Education

## Nursery Caregivers:

Angie Benjamin  
Carolyn Blair  
Sylvia Coleman

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**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Patty Barron's birthday and in memory of Billy Barron, from Vereen and Mike Brown.

**DEACONS SERVING** today at the 8:45 a.m. worship service are Jean Nicholson, Sarah Egnor, and Jill Grossoehme; at the 11:00 a.m. worship service are Lauren Cole, Matthew Hubis, and Jim McMullen.

**ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES** are available at the Deacons desk in the Narthex of the Sanctuary.

## OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT, WORSHIP, GROW, AND SERVE

### Worship

**SANCTUARY WORSHIP IS LIVESTREAMED** - Please note that as you join us for worship in the Sanctuary, there is a possibility that you will be seen on the online livestream. If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know by contacting Dr. Matt Rich at the church office at 803-547-5543.

**CHILDREN OF ALL AGES** are welcome in worship. If you find that you need to leave the service to care for your child, Room M201 is open, and is connected to the sanctuary sound system. Ask an usher in the Narthex if you need directions.

**NURSERY IS AVAILABLE** during today's worship services in Room S104 for infants-18 months and S103 for toddlers/ preschoolers up through age 3. Both rooms are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary building. Our nursery is run by trained, paid staff with assistance from trained church volunteers. Age-appropriate Bible stories and activities are offered throughout the morning. Children may be dropped off up to 15 minutes prior to a worship service or may attend worship with you until the Children's Time, and then will be taken to nursery by our volunteers and staff. If your child plans to leave the service following Children's Time, please complete a bright yellow Child Identification Sticker, found in the pew rack. Place it on your child's back. Please check "nursery" on the sticker and add a cell phone number in case of an emergency.

**CIW IS AVAILABLE** during today's worship services. "Children in Worship" is a Montessori-based worship program for young children (those who turned 4 before September 1st, 2024, those who are Rising Kindergarten and 1st graders as well as those who have just completed 1st grade). They learn to worship in a way that corresponds to corporate worship yet addresses their needs as young children. Please bring your child with you to worship in the sanctuary and complete a Child Identification Sticker, found in the pew rack, and place it on your child's back. Check "CIW" on the sticker and add a cell phone number in case of an emergency. After the Children's Time, your child will be escorted to the CIW Room (M206) on the children's Sunday school wing.

### Children's Ministry

**SHEPHERDS ARE NEEDED FOR VBS AND MISSION CAMP. SIGN UP NOW TO SERVE** - Vacation Bible School will be held Monday, June 9th - Thursday, June 12th from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for children in Rising 4K-4th grade. Mission Camp will be held concurrently for children currently in Rising 5th and 6th grade. This year's theme is Road Trip: On the Go With God. Sign up now to volunteer and help us make this summer the best VBS ever! <https://unityfortmill.org/ministries/children/events/vbs-2/>.

**VBS VOLUNTEER MEETING** is scheduled for **Sunday, May 4th at 2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall**. If you are not currently Safe Place trained, please plan to stay for training from 3:00-4:00 pm. Mark your calendars now. Contact Kathryn McGregor at [KMcGregor@UnityFortMill.org](mailto:KMcGregor@UnityFortMill.org) for more information.

**REGISTER NOW FOR GRANDS CAMP!** Grands Camp will be held Wednesday, July 23rd - Friday, 25th. Grands Camp provides a unique opportunity for intergenerational ministry. Grandparents and grandchildren, ages 4 - 5th grade will enjoy time together through games, crafts, stories, mission projects, LEGOS and more. Up to 2 grandchildren may attend with each grandparent. Have more grandchildren than that? Bring an additional grandparent, either related or surrogate, or contact Kathryn McGregor to find additional surrogate grandparents. Don't have grandparents or grandchildren who can participate with you? Email Kathryn McGregor at [KMcGregor@UnityFortMill.org](mailto:KMcGregor@UnityFortMill.org) to sign up to be a surrogate grandparent or grandchild for another member of our congregation. **Register using the QR code.**



**THE GC'S SPRING COOKOUT IS TONIGHT** for all registered current 3rd, 4th and 5th graders at the Springfield Pavilion (beside the pool) from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. We will eat dinner, play games, and recognize all of our 5th graders who will be leaving children's ministry this summer and moving to youth group in the fall. We look forward to seeing you there! Questions? Contact Kathryn McGregor at [KMcGregor@unityfortmill.org](mailto:KMcGregor@unityfortmill.org).

### Congregational Care

**LUNCH BUNCH** - Our speaker for April 23rd will be Chris Mitchell, CEO of Fort Mill Piedmont Hospital. He will update us on the services offered at this new facility located at Hwy 160 and Hwy 21 in Fort Mill. Please join us for this informative overview of the care available at this new facility! Bring your salad or sandwich and join your friends for an enjoyable afternoon. This will be our last speaker of the year since our annual picnic is in May at Allison Creek Park, York SC. We will have more information about the picnic. As always, we provide drinks, desserts, and chips.

### Endowment

**AS YOU CONTEMPLATE YOUR LEGACY**, please consider including Unity in your estate planning.

### Faith Formation

**MONDAY MUSINGS** meets each **Monday from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.** with the pastors in Room M201 for conversation about and study of Sunday's sermon and scripture texts.

**REGULAR FAITH FORMATION CLASSES WILL NOT MEET TODAY, Sunday, April 13th**, due to the Wax Museum and April 20th due to Easter worship services. Classes will resume on April 27th.

**ALL ARE INVITED TO JOIN US TODAY FOR A WAX MUSEUM AT 10:00 AM.** Our second annual Wax Museum will be performed by our 3rd-5th grade Sunday school class on Palm Sunday at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Children are spending this month in Sunday school researching the stories of Old Testament Heroes. They will present costumed first-person stories of these every-day heroes. The whole congregation is invited to come hear a familiar story or one you've never heard before from scripture about the faithful people of God.

**LENTEN PRAYER AND REFLECTION CONCLUDES THIS TUESDAY, April 15th at 7:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.** Whether you are choosing to use the Draw Near Lenten Devotionals this year or not, you are invited to come when you are able to a brief prayer and reflection service offered each week during Lent that will be guided by the Psalms in that week's Lenten devotions. Services will last no more than 30 minutes. Choose the time that best suits you. Join us in the Historic Sanctuary for prayer and quiet reflection on a Psalm each week. No registration is necessary.

**NEW ADULT STUDY *FINDING MY STORY IN THE PSALMS* BEGINS MAY 1ST.** We often turn to the book of Psalms for spiritual encouragement, for assistance in worshiping God, or as model prayers. But do you see yourself in the Psalms? Do the Psalms tell your story? In this five-week class we'll explore five psalms that are rarely studied but that yield rich insights for answering questions like: *Who am I ... really? Where did I come from? How has God's hand been on my life? Can God ever forgive me for ...? How can I trust God more?* The class will be led by Steve Simon, who is a retired Presbyterian pastor and the author of the book *Holy Walks: Learning and Praying the Psalms*. We will meet on **Thursday evenings, May 1-29, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in Room M204.** "Let the one who is wise heed these things and ponder the loving deeds of the Lord" (Ps. 107:43). **Scan the QR code to register.**



### Health Ministry

**SAVE THE DATE FOR CPR!** Innovative Solutions will return to our campus on **Saturday, May 3rd**, to offer certification in Heartsaver CPR through the American Heart Association. The class will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall and last approximately 2-1/2 hours. Participants will learn CPR and choking first aid for infants, children and adults. Use of the campus AEDs will also be included. The class fee is \$50.00. Sign-up is required to ensure the correct number of instructors. However, no payment is due until the day of class. Innovative Solutions requests payment in cash. **To register, call the church office at 803-547-5543 or Susan Benfield at 803-984-6100.** Increase your knowledge and ability to respond with confidence! Join us for a few hours. Your knowledge could save a life.

### Holy Week at Unity

**HOLY WEEK & EASTER** - Our Lenten journey concludes as we arrive in Jerusalem, finding our way at the foot of the cross and the empty tomb: Plan to join us for worship:

- Maundy Thursday, April 17 - Worship with communion at 6:30 PM
- Good Friday, April 18 - Joint Worship Service with other Fort Mill Presbyterian Churches at 12:00 PM
- Easter Sunday, April 20 - Worship
  - 7:00 AM in the Historic Sanctuary
  - 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM, identical services with special music in the Sanctuary with butterfly release following
  - Bring flowers or greenery from your lawn to decorate the cross

### Hospitality & Evangelism

**TOUR OF UNITY CAMPUS** - We will be offering a tour of the Unity Presbyterian Church campus **TODAY**. The tour will begin in the Fellowship Hall at 12:00 PM (following the 11:00 AM service). For those who are interested, please join us there. If you don't know where the Fellowship Hall is, please ask one of the Deacons in the Narthex.

### Lost & Found

Have you misplaced an item? It may be in our LOST & FOUND located in the hallway adjacent to the Sanctuary. We will be collecting items soon to donate to Goodwill.

### Officer Nominations

**UNITY'S NOMINATING COMMITTEE** was elected on March 30th and will soon begin prayerfully considering those who might be called to serve as deacons and elders beginning in January 2026 for a three-year term, and a youth deacon and youth elder to each serve a one-year term. The committee requests that you prayerfully submit names for consideration to serve as deacons and elders. These officers will serve as loving ministers and spiritual leaders for our congregation. In addition to their names, please describe the spiritual gifts and other characteristics that led you to nominate these individuals to serve. Names for consideration can be shared with Peter Olinger, chair or sent by email to [Nominations@UnityFortMill.org](mailto:Nominations@UnityFortMill.org) and **will be received until Tuesday, April 29th**.

### Outreach

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING** - This offering began following World War II when Protestant churches in the United States made appeals for the relief and reconstruction of devastated areas, primarily in Europe and Asia. With the devastation occurring in Ukraine and other countries abroad, as well as the destruction occurring in the United States from severe storms, hurricanes, flooding, and blizzards, assistance continues to be needed. Each gift to OGHS supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on Self-Development of People, and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Unity will receive the **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING offering on EASTER SUNDAY, April 20th**. For more information or to give, visit: <https://unityfortmill.org/give/special-offering/>.

**BLOOD DRIVE** - Unity will host a blood drive on **Tuesday, April 15th from 2:30-7:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Appointments are preferred but walk-ins are accepted. To make an appointment or for more information, please visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter sponsor code "Unity". You can save some time by doing your Rapid Pass online.

**SECOND HARVEST FOOD DISTRIBUTION EVENT** - The Unity Outreach Team is sponsoring a Second Harvest Food Distribution event on **Friday morning, April 25th, 2025 from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m.** All ages are invited to come participate! Please come and help distribute food by parcelling and loading food into grocery carts, and placing the food into our guest's cars. Bring any paper or plastic grocery bags that you have available. Volunteers to transport any remaining foods to the Fort Mill Care Center is appreciated, and to help recycle cardboard and shipping pallets. Please call or text Jim Boyd if you have questions (803.984.2277).

**WESTERN, NC HURRICANE RECOVERY TRIPS THIS MAY** - We are taking some small groups to Black Mountain to help with the ongoing hurricane recovery there. We will stay in the South Carolina Inn in Montreat and coordinate our projects with Black Mountain Presbyterian Church. **The two trip dates are: May 1-4, and May 15-18.** The cost for either trip is \$150 per person. Even if you need to arrive late or leave early, you are welcome to come. If you are interested and able to go on either trip, please contact Rev. Molly Spangler at [mspangler@unityfortmill.org](mailto:mspangler@unityfortmill.org). Please **RSVP by Easter Sunday, April 20th**.



### Spiritual Pilgrimage to Scotland - April 17-25, 2026

**RETREAT, RENEWAL, & PILGRIMAGE** are spiritual practices at the heart of the Christian community. We invite you to participate in a travel pilgrimage to Scotland in the Spring of 2026. Such a journey encourages us to be more than tourists, intentionally engaging with what we see and do in holy places, with people we are bound to in this community of faith, while also learning about the faith of those who have gone before us. A few details for our trip:

- Trip leaders will be Matt Rich, Kathryn McGregor, and Jim Wallace (a native Scot and minister of the Church of Scotland who has led trips full-time for the last 10 years).
- The trip itinerary will include Edinburgh, Sterling, St. Andrews, the Scottish Highlands, Loch Ness, the Isle of Mull, and Iona with a combination of religious and historical sites.
- **Cost (not including airfare):**
  - \$4495 per/person if reserved by May 21st for double occupancy
  - \$4595 per/person if reserved by July 2nd for double occupancy
  - Single room accommodations are available at an additional \$1165/person
- Early Bird Registration nonrefundable deposit of \$200 is due by May 21st.



**To register for the trip, scan the QR code.** To view the complete trip brochure, the payment schedule and more information, visit our website at <https://unityfortmill.org/ministries/adults/spiritual-pilgrimage-to-scotland/>. Additional questions, please speak with Dr. Matt or Kathryn McGregor. We look forward to walking with you as we explore Unity's spiritual roots in Scotland as pilgrims together.

### Stephen Ministry

**UNITY PRESBYTERIAN IS A STEPHEN MINISTER CHURCH** - Stephen Ministers are members of Unity Presbyterian Church who have gone through 50 hours of training to provide confidential, one-on-one Christian care to people who are facing a crisis or simply going through a difficult time. A Stephen Minister meets with his or her care receiver once a week for around an hour to listen, care, pray, and provide emotional and spiritual encouragement. Men are matched with male Stephen Ministers, and women are matched with female Stephen Ministers. To find out more about how you or someone you know could be matched with a Stephen Minister, talk with Susan Mobley or Dave Johnson, via email at [Stephenministryreferrals@unityfortmill.org](mailto:Stephenministryreferrals@unityfortmill.org) or call Rev. Molly Spangler at (803) 547-5543.

### Stewardship

**THANK YOU** to everyone who returned their Pledges of Time, Talents, and Treasures on Commitment Sunday, March 30th! It was truly a wonderful Sunday of joy, gratitude, generosity, and celebration. If you missed Commitment Sunday or have not had a chance to turn in your pledges, **it is not too late!** Please bring your forms to the church office, log into REALM and choosing "Giving" or visit <https://unityfortmill.org/give/stewardship/>.

### Ushering Committee

**EASTER IS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE** in ways you may not have done before. Because of the number of services and attendees we anticipate, additional hands are greatly needed to greet, usher, collect offering and assist with parking. **WE STILL NEED greeters/ushers and 3 parking attendants at both the 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM Easter services.** If you have questions, wish to serve, or would like to form a group to take on one or more roles, please contact Justin Richardson ([justin.richardson1@gmail.com](mailto:justin.richardson1@gmail.com)) or text 980.579.8565) or sign up on Realm.

### Women of Unity

**PLEASE KEEP IN TOUCH** with all things happening with the Women of Unity by sending an email to [wouministry@gmail.com](mailto:wouministry@gmail.com). We would love to add you to our communications! Follow us on Instagram: [@woufortmill](https://www.instagram.com/woufortmill).

### Worship & Music

**GOOD FRIDAY CHOIR** - All interested youth and adults are invited to sing in the choir for our community Good Friday service on April 18th. The service is at noon, and we will meet at 11:00 a.m. in the choir room to learn the anthem and go over hymns. Please wear all black (or as close to it as you can) and bring a black three-ring binder if you have one. We will be joined by musicians and choir members from other Presbyterian churches. Please contact Margaret Monroe, Director of Music, at [mmonroe@UnityFortMill.org](mailto:mmonroe@UnityFortMill.org) with any questions.

**2025 FLOWER CALENDAR** - Would you like to honor a family member, friend, or a special group of people? Placing fresh flowers in the sanctuary to the glory of God is a perfect way to remember and celebrate a special person/s or occasion in your life. You may order flowers from a local florist or provide your own arrangement with flowers from your yard or another place of business that sells fresh-cut flowers. Your name along with the name or occasion being honored will be printed in the church bulletin. You may visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094CA5A729A0FCC25-53403724-unity#/> and complete the steps for selecting your choice of Sunday(s). All instructions are included. If you have questions, please contact Michaela Braswell at [mbraswell@UnityFortMill.org](mailto:mbraswell@UnityFortMill.org) or 803-547-5543 ext. 130). Early sign-up is recommended to ensure the Sunday of your choice.

### **Youth Ministry**

**ALL YOUTH ARE INVITED TO JOIN FOR A TIE DYE PARTY AT YOUTH GROUP TODAY!** Middle school youth will meet from 4:00-5:00 p.m. and high school youth will meet from 5:15-6:15 p.m. in the Youth Wing. Please bring a plain, white 100% cotton t-shirt with you to tie dye!

**THERE IS NO YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAY, APRIL 20TH!** Enjoy your Easter and Spring Break. Youth group will resume on April 27th!



Hymns for April 13th, 2025

8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Hymn

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

ELLACOMBE

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;  
through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,  
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd,  
the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud;  
the Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,  
nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,  
for Christ is our Redeemer; the Lord of heaven, our King.  
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,  
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

Hymn

*Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

ST. CHRISTOPHER

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,  
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;  
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,  
From the burning of the noontide heat, and the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see  
The very dying form of One who suffered there for me;  
And from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess:  
The wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place;  
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;  
Content to let the world go by, to know no gain or loss,  
My sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.