

April 5, 2020

Enter to Worship
Depart to Serve



**Holy Week
at
First Church**

In preparation for online Holy Week services at First Church, here are few things you can gather from around your house to participate in each service. Take a picture and post it on our Facebook page and share how you are engaging in Holy Week.

Palm Sunday April 5, 11:00 a.m.

Make your own Palm frond. There is a palm included in the "Holy Week Tool Kit" that you can color print, color, and cut out.

Tenebrae Service Wednesday April 8, 7:30 p.m.

Bring a candle and light it for the service.

Maundy Thursday April 9, 7:30 p.m.

Bread and juice to set your own sacred table for communion
Keep it simple: bread and juice/wine; something you have on hand.

Good Friday April 10, 7:30 p.m.

Display a cross or make one and have it near during the service.

Easter Sunday April 12, 11:00 a.m.

Draw or color a picture of a butterfly.

Holy Week at Home

We have put together a "Holy Week at Home" tool kit that has activities and ideas to help celebrate Holy Week this year.

Download yours at: www.files.constantcontact.com/5728e215501/a3171010-ddf2-4fd1-8af2-771e7af642c2.pdf

This Week at First Church

Sunday, April 5

6:30 p.m. First Church Youth Gathering (Virtual)

Monday, April 6

3:00 p.m. Confirmands Gathering (Virtual)

Tuesday, April 7

8:00 p.m. Rev. Tim's Bible Study (Virtual)

Wednesday, April 8

7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Holy Week Tenebrae Service

Thursday, April 9

7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, April 10, Good Friday

1:00 p.m. "Christianity 101"

with The Rev. Dr. Nancy Livingston via Zoom

7:30 p.m. The Solemn Liturgy for Good Friday

Sunday, April 12, Easter Sunday

11:00 a.m. Worship Service, Resurrection Celebration

"Christianity 101" Online Class

The Rev. Dr. Nancy Livingston will teach online each Friday afternoon on the curriculum "Christianity 101." The sessions will be at 1 p.m. with the first one starting on March 20. The intent is these will run each Friday through May 1.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/967443994?pwd=K3pvTEpTL2YycGVoVGpmWVBBVmFHdz09>

Meeting ID: 967 443 994

Password: 167654

Spring Flower Sale

Youth groups are taking orders for their spring flower sale now through **April 6**. There are many varieties of flowers and hanging baskets to choose from, and several varieties of vegetables. The order form can be viewed online from the church website. Please mail your order, along with payment, to the office. Plants will be available for pick up May 9-10.

Keep in Prayer

Joan Lebold; Dr. Karl Danneberger, Sallie, Marc and Kyle Danneberger; Paul Flocken; Wendy and Ryan Kirkland; Brooke Chute, cousin of Amy Wagner; Emma, great niece of Shelly Gies; Christine Nichols, friend of Victor John; Richard Brant; Mike Bittle, brother-in-law of Melva Fisher; John Bigelow, brother-in-law of Virginia O'Neill; Nolan and Sissy Anderson, friends of Melva Fisher; Ann Richards, mother of Jonathan Miller; Paul Zimmerman, father of Doug Zimmerman; Taco, service dog for Mariner Taft; Rev. Earl Fritz and Pauline Fritz; Amy Smith, sister of Sarah Lange; Arlene Reynolds; and those who mourn the loss of loved ones, including Dayna McCary and family, on the loss of her sister; Dene Barnard, on the loss of his brother; Rabbi Rick Keller, whose mother is in hospice; all medical professionals in our congregation who are on the front lines; and all those affected by illness, especially the Coronavirus, locally, nationally and globally.

Give

At First Church, our financial resources enable us to "Enter to worship, depart to serve." You can give now by scanning the QR Code or by sending your check to the church (First Congregational Church, 444 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215).

This mission of the week is Good Samaritan: The Good Samaritan Fund provides help every month to those who come to the door of First Church in need. The next Good Sam Day is Monday, April 13. Thank you for your generosity.

The mission and ministry of First Church can be supported by using either EasyTithe, PayPal, by visiting <https://www.first-church.org/give.aspx>, or by sending your offering directly to the church. You can also make payments through your bank's bill pay option. For more information, please contact Pam Mantor at pmantor@first-church.org or Rev. Emily Corzine at ecorzine@first-church.org.

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