



Today's Worship Team

Greeters	8:30 a.m.	Tom & Rita Kline
	11:00 a.m.	Wayne & Darlene Zweig
Organist/Choir Director	.....	Brian Peters
Lead Pastor	.....	Rev. Howard T. Woodruff
Liturgists	8:30 a.m.	BJ Wurst
	11:00 a.m.	Bill Corbett
AV Ministries	8:30 a.m.	Shawn Kopp
	11:00 a.m.	Chip Crawford
Ushers	8:30 a.m.	John & Louisa Shawver, Frank Vongehr, MaryJane Johnson
	11:00 a.m.	Kip & Georgia Peeler, Noah, Joey & Andrew
Nursery Staff	.....	Darria Dixon and Lindsey Knepp

MINISTRY ASSISTANTS...

Intergenerational Pastor	.....	Shane Landherr
Adult Christian Education Coordinator	.....	Lisa Luse
Children's Education Coordinator	.....	Dawn Woodruff
Bell Choir Director	.....	Susan Park
Music Assistant	.....	Aden Wertz IV
Office Manager	.....	Karin Garner
Treasurer	.....	John E. Rideout

Mt. Nittany United Methodist Church



Reverend Jane Allen Middleton, Resident Bishop
 Reverend Dr. Pamela Ford, State College District Superintendent
 Reverend Howard T. Woodruff, Lead Pastor (238-1630)
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Mt. Nittany United Methodist Church
 Sunday Worship Bulletin
 Palm/Passion Sunday
 April 5, 2009

Blessed
 is he
 who comes
 in the name of the
 Lord!
 Hosanna
 in the
 Highest!

Matthew 21:9

Good Morning!

April 5, 2009



This service embodies the sharp contrasts of Holy Week. In the Entrance with the Palms, we experience the joyous demonstration of loyalty to Jesus as he enters Jerusalem, including festive Palm Sunday music. In the Proclamation and Response we confront and respond to the story of Jesus' passion, including somber Passion Sunday music.

Please take a moment to sign the attendance register found at the end of your pew. If you are visiting with us this morning, we ask that you provide us with your name and mailing address on the attendance register or that you complete a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate during our morning offering. We also cordially invite you to return and, if you are searching for a church home, we invite you to consider making us a part of your new church family.

To enhance your worship experience with us, we want you to know that we have audio enhancement equipment available, just ask our Sound System Attendants. If you desire a large print bulletin or hymnal, please request one from one of our Worship Attendants. If you have young children, we have a fully staffed nursery (located to the right of the Family Life Center just beyond the doors of the Sanctuary) and we have "Children's Pew Packs" located on the tree rack in the Narthex. Also, the places in the bulletin marked by an asterisk (*) indicate that you should stand, if so able. The **bold print such as this** indicates those areas in which you should join with your voice.

May God bless us as we worship together in His Holy Temple.

We Gather

A TIME OF GREETING and SHARING

THE PRELUDE

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Innes (1996)

GREETING and PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Last Sunday at Mt. Nittany...



OUR ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY WAS...

8:30 a.m. Worship	-----92
9:45 a.m. Sunday School	-----33
11:00 a.m. Worship	-----125

THE OFFERINGS RECEIVED LAST SUNDAY WERE ...

General Fund	----- \$8377.70
Building Fund	----- \$1228.50
Benevolences	----- \$753.50

OUR OUTSTANDING MORTGAGE BALANCE IS

\$226,500.00



• Did you ever have those moments where **you wanted to ask for prayer**, but weren't at the church or didn't know who to call?

• Did you ever want to lift someone up in prayer, **but just didn't feel comfortable?**

• Do you want to let many of your brothers and sisters **celebrate an answer to prayer** with you?

Well, now you can. Go to our online prayer room at

www.virtualprayerroom.net/MtNittanyUMC

and submit a request, read a request, or celebrate an answer to prayer.

It's easy. It's anonymous. And it's open 24/7!

See Barbara Sommers if you have any questions.

This Week at Mt. Nittany...

TODAY	8:30 a.m.	Early Morning Worship (S)
	9:45 a.m.	Christian Education for all ages PeeDee Missions Trip Meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Late Morning Worship (S)
	1:00 p.m.	Bridal Shower (FLC)
	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class NO Junior High Youth TODAY
	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Practice
	7:00 p.m.	Sr Hi Youth Fellowship- (9th to 12th grades)
MONDAY	9:00 a.m.	Peanut Butter Eggs Project Crew 1 (FLC)
	5:30 p.m.	Peanut Butter Eggs Project Crew 2 (FLC)
	6:00 p.m.	"Loving Hands" Quilting Group (CopyRm)
	7:00 p.m.	Communications Committee (BR) Women's Bible Study (Grazzini home)
TUESDAY	6:00 p.m.	Central PA Banquet (FLC)
	6:30 p.m.	Girls Scouts Troop #1884 (Rm 204)
	7:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting (BR)
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop #367 (Rm 203)
WEDNESDAY	8:30 a.m. to Noon	Pre-School Easter Activities (FLC)
	6:30 p.m.	Praise Band Rehearsal
	6:30 p.m.	Nurture & Care Committee Meeting (CopyRm)
	7:00 p.m.	Homeowners Meeting (BR)
THURSDAY	8:30 a.m. to Noon	Pre-School Easter Activities (FLC)
	5:15 p.m.	Seder Meal (FLC)
	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service (S) Sanctuary will be open all night for prayer
	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts Meeting (Rm 201)
FRIDAY	3:00 p.m.	Church offices Closed
	7:00 p.m.	The Funeral Service for Jesus (S)
SATURDAY	1:00 p.m.	Children's Egg Hunt (FLC) No Sports Ministry Today



We Hear

*PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM Mark 11:1-11

*THE PEOPLE'S RESPONSE

Pastor: Hosanna to the Son of David

People: Hosanna in the highest!

Pastor: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Hosanna in the highest!

*THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" # 280, vs.1-3

As we open our worship service this morning, the children of the church will parade throughout the sanctuary waving the palm branches high in the air. The palm branches were a symbol of "greatness" and were waved to proclaim the coming of Jesus into the Holy City.

*OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Almighty God, on this day Your Son, Jesus Christ, entered the holy city of Jerusalem and was proclaimed King by those who spread their garments and palm branches along his way. Let those branches be for us signs of His victory, and grant that we who bear them in His name may ever hail Him as our Lord, and may follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life. In His name we pray. Amen.

We Proclaim

ASSEMBLY TIME "A stroll through Jerusalem"

This is a time when we invite our children through the age of 11 to come to the front of the Sanctuary to share time with the Pastor and each other.

OUR OFFERING

If you are visiting with us, please consider yourself our guest. Please feel no obligation to give money to the church. Freely enjoy this service allowing God's Spirit and His Word to minister to your heart. However, if you are considering making this your new church home, scripture teaches us that the responsibility to support the ministries of this church are ours. Tithes and offerings are given as an act of worship unto the LORD.

(Proverbs 11:25-26; 2 Corinthians 9:6-7)

The Collection

Offertory

"Were You There"

The Presentation

*Offertory Prayer

MUSIC MEDITATION

8:30 a.m.

"Were You There?"

Aden Wertz & Pat Sankey

11:00 a.m.

"Hosanna, Messiah"

Sanctuary Choir

*RESPONSIVE PREPARATION

"Psalm 118"

839, response 1

CONCERNS AND PRAYERS

During this time, we lift up our concerns for the needs of our church and community and express our praises for the many ways in which God has blessed us this past week. Please feel free to openly share your concerns and praises when the worship leader invites you to do so. Open your heart and give those concerns over to the Lord.

Prayer List

To start the prayer chain call Barb Gotwalt @ 238-9583

(If you're unable to contact Barb, please call Phyllis Dreibelbis @ 238-3610)

Charlie & Lynn DuBois; Linda Ammerman; Allan Novak; Peggy Page;

Dave Partenheimer; Larry Partenheimer; Debra Poulin;

Kay Partenheimer; Barbara Boal; Jane Baughman; Jim Whitfield;

Bonnie Brough & family, and 8 yr old granddaughter Lena Burandt;

*If you desire to send a card to any of these people please take a Prayer List from the table at the rear of the Sanctuary that includes their address. **Please call the office with updates** on your prayer needs and/or requests so the information (in the bulletin) is current. If you are going to the hospital or know of one of our members who is, please contact the church office. If there is someone who is in need of support from the prayer chain, please contact Barbara Gotwalt or make a note on the Prayer Request card found in the pew rack, and drop it in the offering plate.*

Following the pastoral prayer, you will be invited to join us as we pray

The Lord's Prayer:

"Our Father, who is in heaven,

Holy is Your name.

Your kingdom come,

Your will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

Missions Giving..

Nothing But Nets



Nothing But Nets is a grassroots campaign to save lives by preventing malaria, a leading killer of children in Africa. The people of the United Methodist Church are invited to participate with *Nothing But Nets* to help stop a deadly disease - malaria. In sub-Saharan Africa, a child dies every 30 seconds from this preventable disease. This is a statistic that the world must pay attention to according to Bishop Joao Somane Machado, leader of the United Methodist Church in Mozambique. "This is not an African issue," said Machado. "It's not only for poor countries. It's global."

Nothing But Nets is powered by your passion; it works because you do! With the money raised, the Foundation and its partners work with the Measles Initiative - one of the most successful vaccination efforts ever undertaken - to purchase bed nets and distribute them in countries and communities in greatest need. Using its proven distribution system - which in just five years has vaccinated nearly a quarter billion children - the Measles Initiative will distribute bed nets along with measles vaccinations and other medicines to at-risk countries. It's an effective and cost-efficient way to get the nets to the people who need them. Just \$10 buys a bed net, distributes it to a family and provides education on how to use it.



By answering Jesus' call to "minister to the least of these who are members of our family," we can beat this awful disease and save future generations. So give a child the opportunity to live a life of health and happiness. Pray. Communicate the need.



Our Military Personnel..

Spc. Dillen, Brian A C 2-112 Unit #43007
.....Camp Liberty, APO AE 09344-3005
(Brian is the son of Kathy Sulkowski)

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(Rob is the brother of Aden Wertz)

SGT. Hamilton T Woodruff 116 Chestnut Court
..... Jacksonville, NC 28546
(Hamilton is the son of Pastor Howard & Dawn Woodruff)

If you have friends, or family members, or know of an individual serving in our Armed Forces, please contact the church office to have their name and address included in this listing.

*For Yours is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen."*

PROCLAMATION OF THE PASSION STORY

As we continue our service this morning, we turn our attention now to Jesus' passion; how His love for us was exemplified in His obedience to God. As we sit and listen to the story once again, let us put ourselves there with Christ as he pours out His love for us.

The First Reading Mark 14:1-25
Hymn of Response "Lord, You Gave the Great Commission" # 614, verses 2 & 3

The Second Reading Mark 14:26-50
Hymn of Response "Go to Dark Gethsemane" #290, verse 1

The Third Reading Mark 14:53-72
Hymn of Response "What Wondrous Love is This" # 292, verses 1 and 2

The Fourth Reading Mark 15:1-19
Hymn of Response "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" # 290, verse 2

The Fifth Reading Mark 15:20-37
Hymn of Response "Tis Finished! The Messiah Dies" # 282

The Sixth Reading Mark 15:38-47
Hymn of Response "Where You There" # 288

RESPONSE TO THE PROCLAMATION *"The Apostles Creed"* # 881

We Serve

***OUR CLOSING HYMN** *"Would I Have Answered"* # 2137

*THE BENEDICTION

*OUR BIDDING RECITATION

Pastor: They crucified my Lord

People: ...and he never said a mumbalin' word.

Pastor: They crucified my Lord

People: ...and he never said a mumbalin' word, not a word, not a word, not a word.

OUR PARISH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS Join with us as we rejoice over the many ministries, events, and joys of our church which we have recently experienced and as we welcome our visitors present with us this morning.

FLOWERS FOR EASTER SUNDAY - TODAY IS THE DEADLINE for your order of Easter flowers. (\$7 each) Please complete the form included in your bulletin, and drop it in the offering plate TODAY. Your check can be made payable to the Mt Nittany UMC.



MISSIONS TRIP MEETING - Parents and Youth who are interested in participating in the Pee-Dee Indian Tribe Missions Trip in June are asked to attend a meeting this morning at 9:45 a.m. with Pastor Shane in the Youth Room.

PEANUT BUTTER EGGS - ONE MORE DAY! - We will be making eggs tomorrow to fill the remaining orders. If you can give a few hours of your time to help us, it would be appreciated. Talk with Wendy.



CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT this coming Saturday. If you can help us with donations of candy, we need the individually wrapped pieces that will fit inside the easter eggs. Your donations can be placed in the box at the rear of the sanctuary. Cash donations are also being accepted. Please give generously!

ANOINTED, TRANSFORMED, REDEEMED - 6 week bible study for women of all ages! A study on the life of David.

Three Authors..Three Generations...Three Perspectives...One Bible Study. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY! We will meet at Andrea Grazzini's house (487 Nimitz Ave) on Monday evenings at 7 PM beginning April 13th. The study will continue for six weeks concluding on May 18th. We invite you to join us for this time together. Please **contact:** Emily Wertz (eawertz@gmail.com) or Andrea Grazzini (235-1778) if interested so we can be sure to have a book for you!



The Palm plants in the sanctuary are given in honor of the majesty of our lord & king, **jesus, the christ** by **Barbara Boal**.

The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God in loving memory of **George Shuey**, by his family, Gladys, Felix, Connie and Jacob Shuey

From the Desk of Pastor Shane: **Food Drive** last Sunday was a HUGE success. Our local community donated an astounding amount of food for the local foodbank. Thanks to all that were participated in this worthwhile cause.

Parent Meeting for youth mission trip was today (Sunday, 5th) at 9:45. If you missed it please talk to Pastor Shane and get the information packet.

Reminder! April 17th is our **Bowling Night** at Northland Bowl. We will meet **AT** Northland Bowl @ 6pm and stay till about 9pm. (you can leave earlier if you need to). Bring \$5 and money for food!

Sex, Money, & Power: The Man Series Men's Bible Study - Beginning Thursday April 30th - 7pm - Small Group Room (former location of Friendship Class). Bring your Bible! Ever wonder what the bible says about being a real Godly Man? Come and find

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

SUNRISE SERVICE

6:00 A.M.

BREAKFAST in the Family Life Center

7:30 A.M.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

9:00 A.M. (One Service Only)

