

# DISPATCH APRIL 2022

## *A Message from Pastor Melissa...*

Dear Dunlap friends and family,

Have you started your Easter planning in your homes yet? Maybe you are ordering eggs to color and eggs to fill for your grandchildren. Maybe you have been looking at new outfits to wear to church. In our home, I am starting to think about how I will fill an Easter basket even as I work on plans for worship services in a few weeks. To some extent, we must plan ahead. We can't wake up on Easter morning to find all the eggs filled and meals cooked if we have not done the prep work beforehand. At the same time, let us take care to slow down and not rush to Easter.

Before we come to Easter Sunday, we need to walk down the road to Jerusalem, watching as Jesus rides a donkey, shouting Save Us! Hosanna! We must celebrate the day of Palm Sunday, proclaiming that Jesus is king, even as we recognize our own need for his power and grace.

Before we come to Easter Sunday, we need to come to the table together over Holy Communion, hearing again the words of Jesus as he blesses bread and wine. We need to sit with the disciples, wondering what exactly Jesus means when he claims the bread as his body and wine as his blood. We need to watch in wonder as he washes feet and watch in fear as he is arrested in the garden and taken from our sight.

Before we come to Easter Sunday, we must go to the cross and watch as he is whipped, stripped, and hung from a cross to die. We must feel the horror of the day as he is tortured and executed in an incredibly horrific way. We must feel the grief when Jesus finally breathes his last. We must know the loss and pain of the disciples as they wondered, "What now?"

Before we come to Easter Sunday, we must walk through Holy Week, step by step. Jesus cannot rise if he has not died, and he cannot die if he has not lived. As we move towards Easter in just a couple weeks, let us intentionally slow down and experience the many emotions of the week. In doing so, our joy on Easter Sunday will be much greater

God Bless,

*Pastor Melissa*

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 1st	Gavin Kercher
April 3rd	Brenda Wogoman
April 4th	Mary Hesse
April 5th	Alex Nelson
April 8th	Karen Newland
April 11th	Jerry Adkins
April 13th	Jerry Workman
April 19th	Mike Garber
April 20th	Barbara Amick
April 26th	Gene Coney
April 27th	John Sternberg

## APRIL LITURGISTS

April 3rd	Karen Newland
April 10th	Dave Vollmar
April 17th	Carolyn Anderson
April 24th	Carolyn Anderson

## APRIL ALTAR FLOWERS

April 3rd	The Lienhart Family <i>In memory of Walter Lienhart</i>
April 10th	Diana Kado
April 17th	Easter Lilies
April 24th	Kay Scheetz <i>In memory of my Mother</i>

### CALLING ALL LADIES

You're invited to breakfast..  
Breakfast on the beach  
with Jesus!

**Spring Women's Retreat**  
**Saturday, April 23rd**  
**10AM - 2PM**

We will sing, read scripture, pray,  
and... (wait for it)...EAT! Look for  
registration forms in the back of the  
sanctuary. See you there!

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS

### IN APRIL

April 6th	<b>SPRING BREAK- NO MEAL</b>
April 13th	Diana Kado
April 20th	Kay Adkins
April 27th	

*\*If no one signs up to prepare the meal there will be no meal that evening. Be sure to watch your e-mail or check with the office to see if we will be serving a meal that evening!*

# DUMC Shut In Ministry

*Some information concerning our Shut-Ins has been updated. Contact the church office for the updated copy of the Shut-In list, or pick up a paper copy of the newsletter in the church lobby on Sunday Morning.*

# April 2022

## Dunlap United Methodist Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 8:30 AM: Lenten Breakfast @ DUMC
3 <b>CCS Sunday Communion Sunday</b> Fellowship Time 5:00 PM: Bible Study	4 7:00 PM: Staff/Parish Committee	5 6:30 PM: Instruments of Joy	6 6:30 PM: Choir 7:30 PM: Handbells	7	8	9 8:30 AM: Lenten Breakfast @ Jamestown UMC
10 <b>Palm Sunday</b> 5:00 PM: Bible Study	11	12 6:30 PM: Instruments of Joy	13 <b>SWANS: 1 PM</b> <b>Wednesday Ministries:</b> 6PM: Meal 6:30 PM: Ministries 6:30 PM: Choir 7:30 PM: Handbells	14 11:15 AM: Easter Hat Parade  6:00 PM: Maundy Thursday Service	15 7:00 PM: Good Friday Service	16 10AM - 2PM Walk Through The Bible
17 <b>EASTER Sunrise Service:</b> 7AM <b>Breakfast:</b> 8 AM <b>Egg Hunt:</b> 9AM <b>Worship Service:</b> 10AM	18 <b>Church Office Closed</b>	19 6:00 PM: Preschool Committee  6:30 PM: Instruments of Joy  7:00 PM: Finance Committee	20 <b>Wednesday Ministries:</b> 6PM: Meal 6:30 PM: Ministries 6:30 PM: Choir 7:30 PM: Handbells	21	22	23 10AM - 2 PM Women's Retreat
24 <b>Preschool Sunday</b> 5:00 PM: Bible Study	25 7:00 PM: Youth Education Committee	26 6:30 PM: Instruments of Joy	27 <b>Wednesday Ministries:</b> 6PM: Meal 6:30 PM: Ministries 6:30 PM: Choir 7:30 PM: Handbells	28	29	30

# THE STORY

READ THE STORY. EXPERIENCE THE BIBLE.

## APRIL READING SCHEDULE & REFERENCES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>	<u>REFERENCE</u>
4/3 Sunday	Ch. 24 No Ordinary Man	Matthew 5-7; 9;14 Mark 4-6; Luke 10; 15; John 6
4/10 Sunday	Ch. 25 Jesus, the Son of God	Matthew 17; 21; Mark 8-12; 14; Luke 9; 22 John 7-8; 11-12
4/15 Good Friday	Ch. 26: The Hour of Darkness	Matthew 26-27; Mark 14-15 Luke 22-23; 19 John 13-14; 16-19
4/17 & 24 Sunday	Ch. 27 The Resurrection	Matthew 27-28; Mark 16 Luke 24; John 19-21

## Holy Week Schedule

Sunday, April 10th  
Palm Sunday & Palm Processional  
Thursday, April 14th  
Maundy Thursday Service, 6 PM  
*Worship, Supper & Communion*  
Friday, April 15th  
Good Friday Service, 7 PM

Saturday, April 16th  
Walk Thru The Bible, 10 AM - 2 PM  
Sunday, April 17th  
Easter Sunrise Service, 7 AM  
*Outdoors, weather permitting*  
Easter Breakfast after Sunrise Service  
Easter Egg Hunt, 9 AM  
Easter Worship Service, 10 AM

## Our Church Staff

Pastor	Rev. Melissa Englehart
Education Director	Alice Morris
Preschool Director	Cindy Covey
Office Manager	Sara Smith
Custodian	Laura Utley
Choir/Bell Choir Dir.	Kim Dooley
Organist	Lois Coney

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*Growing in Christ-like Love  
through intentional  
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