

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF BUCKLAND

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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April 10, 2022

Palm Sunday

*"See your King comes to you, righteous and having
salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey."*

Zechariah 9:9

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT "Fanfare for Palm Sunday" - Benton Price

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Pastor: Blessed are those whose hearts lean toward God.

People: Blessed are the ones who come in God's name.

Pastor: Let all who follow Christ's way celebrate..

People: Because we are never without God's presence.

Pastor: This is the day our God has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

***HYMN** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" No. 134

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

We give you thanks O Gentle One, who has touched our souls. You have loved us from our first waking and have held us in joy and in grief. Stay with us, we pray, as we move through the touchstones of Holy Week. We join the procession of Life en route to Jerusalem, honoring the living Christ Spirit which you embody and exemplify in all you say and do, as a sign and invitation of what and who we may become. Grace us with your presence and with it the fullness of our own humanity. Help us to claim our strength and our need. Make us aware of our God-given awesomeness and fragile beauty. That encouraged by truth, we may work from our hearts to restore

compassion and love to the human family and renew and cherish the face of the earth. Amen

***GLORIA PATRI** "Glory Be to the Father" No. 575

FIRST SCRIPTURE Isaiah 42: 1-4 (blk 580, red 584)

CHOIR ANTHEM "Hosanna" - Victor C. Johnson

PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

"Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen."

PRAYER RESPONSE "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord" No. 585

OFFERTORY "Go to Dark Gethsemane" - arr. by Albert Zabel

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 19: 28-40 (blk 850, red 854)

MESSAGE "Staying the Course for which He Came" - Rich Fournier

***HYMN** "Ride On! Ride On in Majesty" No. 132

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE "Lest I Forget Gethsemane" - W. Kirkpatrick

POSTLUDE

*=All who are able, are invited to stand.

Announcements

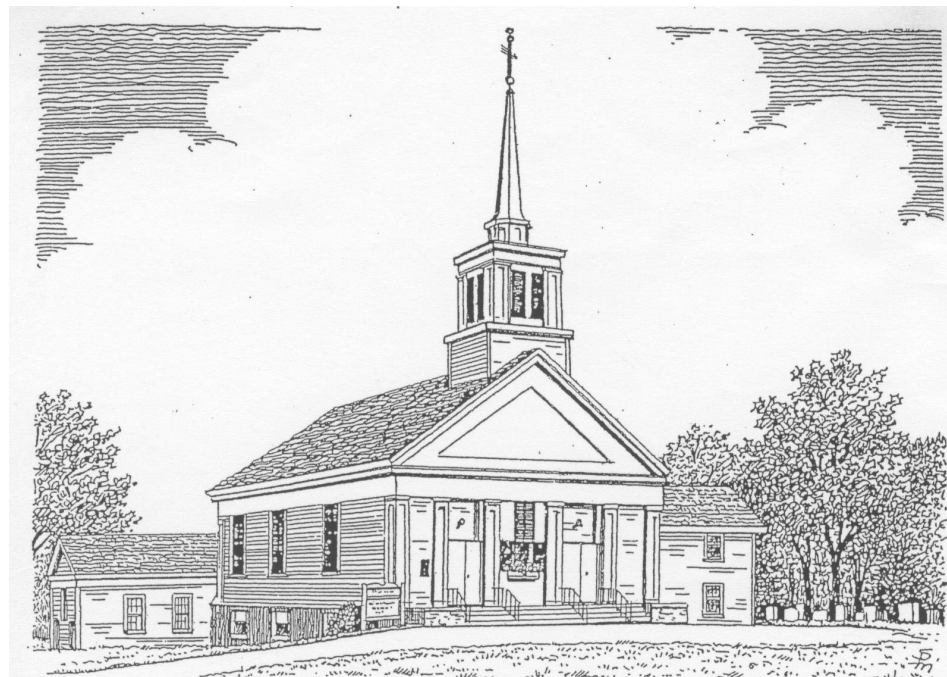
The beautiful flowers on the altar are from Carl and Janet in loving memory of Anna Marie Townsend who was born on April 12th.

Anyone who feels comfortable joining in for a time of fellowship and light refreshments is welcome to come downstairs for coffee hour following the Worship Service this morning.

We are collecting pasta and sauce for the Hilltown Churches' Food Pantry for the month of April. The next distribution day is Tuesday, April 19th, from 3 - 5 P.M.

The Buckland Union Cemetery Association Board of Directors, shareholders, lot owners, and friends will be meeting by Zoom video-conference on Wednesday, April 13, 2022, from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm. The agenda includes: approve October 2021 minutes, review of financial statements, vote on summer maintenance, vote on next steps regarding survey of Center Cemetery, and authorize spring appeal mailing. Flyers with additional information are available in the lobby. To access the meeting link, visit the Cemetery Association's FaceBook page or email Laurie Benoit at lmbenoit@outlook.com and ask for the link, meeting ID and password.

Please check the insert for information on the Maundy Thursday Evening Service, Flowers for Easter Sunday, and Easter Sunday Worship Service.



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