

Dear Church family,

We will have In-person and Online Worship at 10am on ***Sunday, April 10, 2022.***

The information for Online Worship is:

<https://www.littlefallsumc.org/onlineworship>

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOzxLc7UQjeMNprjm9u8gtQ/>

You can join Online Worship using your home phone or cell phone.  
Call 646-876-9923, enter Meeting ID, 917 9067 6301, enter Passcode 139139.

***Sunday Scriptures***

***Colossians 2:6-15; Luke 19:28-40***

***I will deliver the message titled, 'Jesus Gives Us the Victory'.***

If you have any concerns and joys and share with the congregation and ask the church to pray on Sunday, please let me know! You can email, call, or text me. Or you can submit your prayer concerns and joys here: <https://www.littlefallsumc.org/prayer>

Your generous financial support is significant and appreciated very much.

We have continued our ministries with your support.

Thank you for your financial support with your service for the church and the congregation. Please mail your offerings and tithes to the church office (139 Main St. Little Falls, NJ 07424). You can give us your offerings before or after worship on Sunday or during the church office hours, (Tuesday – Friday, 10 am – 1 pm) or online at [www.littlefallsumc.org/donation](http://www.littlefallsumc.org/donation).

Again, we appreciate your generosity very much.

Please see the bulletin for other announcements!

Have a good day! & See you on Sunday!

Pastor Jin

**Little Falls United Methodist Church**

**Worship Bulletin**

**Palm Sunday**

**April 10, 2022 - Sunday Worship: 10 AM**



**139 Main Street, Little Falls, NJ 07424**

**Office Phone: (973) 256-0993**

**Website: [www.LittleFallsUMC.org](http://www.LittleFallsUMC.org)**

**Email: [Info@LittleFallsUMC.org](mailto:Info@LittleFallsUMC.org)**

***“A Welcoming Community of Faith, Hope,  
Mission and Outreach Sharing Christ’s Love”***

***“Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World”***

**“I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God,  
to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God,  
which is your spiritual worship.” (Romans 12:1)**

*Called to Praise*

**‡Prepare your heart and body for Worship**

**Welcome & Greeting**

**‡Call to Worship**

Leader: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

**All: Hosanna! Rejoice for the Lord is in our midst.**

Leader: He comes with joy and hope.

**All: He comes to set us free from fear.**

Leader: Hosanna!

**All: Hosanna! Glory to God in the Highest Heaven. AMEN.**

**‡Praise Song**

*Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)*

*Paul and Brenton*

Verse 1

Praise is rising

Eyes are turning to You

We turn to You

Hope is stirring

Hearts are yearning for You

We long for You

Pre-Chorus

'Cause when we see You

We find strength to face the day

In Your presence

All our fears are washed away

(Washed away)

Chorus

Hosanna hosanna

You are the God who saves us

Worthy of all our praises

Hosanna hosanna

Come have Your way among us

We welcome You here Lord Jesus

Verse 2

Hear the sound of

Hearts returning to You

We turn to You

In Your Kingdom

Broken lives are made new

You make us new

Ending

Hosanna Hosanna

**Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem**

**21** When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, **2** saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. **3** If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." **4** This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, **5** "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." **6** The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; **7** they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. **8** A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. **9** The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" **10** When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" **11** The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

**Announcements**

- We have '**In-Person**' Worship in the Sanctuary and '**Online Worship**' at 10 am on **Sunday, April 10, 2022.** You can choose In-person worship or Online worship to worship with us.
- Wearing a mask is optional in the church. If you don't feel good, we recommend wearing a mask.
- The Worship Bulletin will be sent to you by email (most people) or mail (those who cannot access email). You can see the bulletin on the church website, <https://www.littlefallsumc.org/onlineworship>
- You can join our online worship via YouTube or Facebook for Online Worship. Type "Little Falls United Methodist Church" in searching window on Youtube or Facebook. You can use the link below to join in Online Worship.  
YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOzxLc7UQjeMNprjm9u8gtQ/>
- You can join the Online Worship by your phone. Call 646-876-9923 and enter the Meeting ID, 917 9067 6301 and # Key and then press # key again! Passcode 139139.
- **Altar Flowers** – Thank you to **Marilyn Downing** for providing the altar flowers for Sunday Service for Melissa's birthday. If you would like to offer the altar flowers, please contact Janet (973) 896-8936 ([ladyteddy@aol.com](mailto:ladyteddy@aol.com)).
- **Prayer Concerns & Joys** - Please email Pastor Jin ([jkim@littlefallsumc.org](mailto:jkim@littlefallsumc.org)) if you would like to share your concerns and joys with the congregation. Pastor Jin will lift up the names in the order of prayer in our worship.
- **Holy Week & Easter Sunday Services**
  - Palm Sunday – at 10 am on April 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - Maundy Thursday Service – at 7 pm on April 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - Good Friday Service – at 7 pm on April 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - Easter Sunrise Service – at Church Front Yard at 6 am on April 17<sup>th</sup>.

- Easter Sunday Worship Service – at 10 am on April 17<sup>th</sup>.
- **Lent Bible Study** – We will have the Lent Bible Study on **Wednesday, April 13 at 7:30 pm.** We will study the book, **Witness at The Cross.** This will be our last meeting. Please join us if you can.
- **Let's Help Ukraine** – With God's compassion, we want to help Ukraine. We continue to collect Medical/baby Items. Contact Janet D. if you have any questions. Thank you all for participating in the collection.
- **Easter Flower Sale!** – Order forms are available and due back by **Sunday, April 10** the latest. You can easily place your order online at [littlefallsumc.org/easter-flower-sale](http://littlefallsumc.org/easter-flower-sale). Call the church office if you need help with online orders.
- **UMW Victorian Tea & Auction!** - UMW will hold the annual Victorian Tea & Auction at Noon on **Saturday, April 23.** Tickets will go on sale in March at \$20 per person. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa (201) 452-7759 or [melissadowning82@gmail.com](mailto:melissadowning82@gmail.com) or Lorraine (973) 641-2695 or [lordecaprio@yahoo.com](mailto:lordecaprio@yahoo.com)
- **Church Forum** – We concluded “Church Forum for Church ministry” with the last meeting. The team will present the accomplishment through the church forum. We will begin another church forum for the church ministry on **Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>** as the initial meeting. Let's work on God's ministry together!
- **Kids For Christ** – Join us in KFC! All Children (K – 5<sup>th</sup> grade) are welcome. The next meeting will be held on **Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>** at 5pm to 6:30pm. K.F.C. is a program for children. We have KFC every first and third Thursday of the month.
- **Treasured Memories** – “Treasured Memories” is a grief group for those who have lost their loved ones. The ongoing meeting is held in Lee Lounge at 7pm on every **2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month.** Contact Allison for details (973) 800-4152.
- **The Unity Circle** has an ongoing collection of new and gently used gloves, hats, scarves, and mittens to help people in need. Please help the ministry by bringing your items to the church when you can. Please see Betty Caceres for more information. **Thank you for your support!**
- **Online Donation** – Online donation is available now. Please visit the church website and click ‘Donation.’ The link is here: [www.LittleFallsUMC.org/donation](http://www.LittleFallsUMC.org/donation).
- **Shoprite Gift Card** - If you want to buy a Shoprite gift card, please contact Pete (973) 595-5765 or ([detroit50@aol.com](mailto:detroit50@aol.com)).
- **Kohl's Gift Card** - If you want to buy a Kohl's gift card, please contact Allison.
- **AmazonSmile Program** - Please choose Little Falls UMC as your charity organization at <https://smile.amazon.com>. All services and prices will be the same and Amazon will donate 0.5% of your purchase to the church.
- Your financial support and generosity are greatly appreciated and essential for our church ministry and mission. Please consider sending your tithes and offerings to Little Falls UMC

(139 Main St. Little Falls, NJ 07424). You can send your offerings and tithes to the church every week. Or you can send offerings and tithes for a month with a check. Thanks again for your generosity again!

- **LFUMC FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED** - Many families depend on the Food Pantry on a regular basis. The Pantry needs the following non-perishable items; canned vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, adult/children's cereal, pasta & sauce, instant potatoes/rice, tuna, chicken, sardines, fruit, apple sauce, juice, and granola bars.
- **SOCKS FOR SOULS - *Do your feet get cold?*** Please help Unity Circle to provide new or gently used socks to the homeless. There is a constant need. Please drop off your socks in the large white sock in the Narthex.
- **Ongoing Collection** - UMW also collects postmarked stamps, can pull tabs, Box Tops for Education, and the front of greeting cards. Items are donated to different charities and organizations.

### ‡Hymn of Prayer

### *Praise the Name of Jesus*

TFWS 2066

Chorus  
Praise the name of Jesus  
Praise the name of Jesus  
He's my Rock He's my Fortress  
He's my Deliverer  
In Him will I trust  
Praise the name of Jesus

### Pausing for Silent Prayer and Confession

### Prayers of the People (Response: God, in Your Mercy, hear our prayers.)

What a joy it is to celebrate Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem! The disciples gathered the colt for him to ride; people shouted "Hosanna!", waved palm branches and placed their cloaks in the path of the colt. This day, we wave our palms, sing and shout "Hosanna!". We want Jesus to ride into all the places of tension and anger of our lives. We want Jesus to heal the hurts and establish His reign of peace forever. We shout with joy and let the shouts ring in our hearts. Bring us hope, gracious Lord, where we have allowed fear and confusion to reside. Bring us healing, where we have been wounded or have wounded others by our thoughts, words, and deeds. Bring us peace, where we have been bombarded by anger and alienation. Bring us with you, into the holy city, not made with human hands, but in your heavenly realm. AMEN.

### The 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.***

## *Called to the Word*

### **Prayer for Illumination**

**Leader:** Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today.

**All: Amen**

### **NT Lesson**

### **Colossians 2:6-15**

#### **Fullness of Life in Christ**

<sup>6</sup> As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

<sup>8</sup> See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup> For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup> and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. <sup>11</sup> In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; <sup>12</sup> when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup> And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup> erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup> He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

***This ends the NT Lessons.***

***Let us turn to the Gospel Lesson. Please stand, if able.***

### **Gospel Lesson**

### **Luke 19:28-40**

#### **Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem**

<sup>28</sup> After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

<sup>29</sup> When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup> They said, "The Lord needs it." <sup>35</sup> Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" <sup>39</sup> Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." <sup>40</sup> He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

This is the word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Good morning, Church Family! I hope you had a blessed week in Christ Jesus last week. Today is Palm Sunday and the last Sunday in Lent, and the first day of the Holy Week. Jesus' death on the cross is one of the foundations of our faith. Lent is the time for us to meditate on Jesus' love shown on the cross and participate in Jesus' passion for deepening our faith. In what ways have you meditated on Jesus' cross and participated in Jesus' passion? I believe some of us fasted; some gave up something that entertained us, some read the Bible and took their time for meditation and prayers, some donated blood, some helped the needy, and some did other practices. This week, we have a chance to join the last session of the Bible Study, Maundy Thursday Service, and Good Friday service to meditate on Jesus' love on the cross and participate in Jesus' passion by giving our time, presence, and spirit to Jesus fully.

What words or images come to your mind when you hear the words 'Jesus' cross?' You would have these words: death, pain, suffering, mock, taunt, cruel, execution, whip, the thorn crown, etc. We don't like those words, aren't we? Have you watched the movie, *The Passion of the Christ*, which was released in 2004? At that time, I was in Korea, and most Korean Christians watched the movie as a group. We were shocked because the movie showed cruel scenes of Jesus' passion vividly. We cried watching the movie because we could feel how severe passion, pain, and distress were put on Jesus for our sins. We had heard that Jesus was whipped till that time, but now we saw Jesus' flesh was torn off by the whipping of soldiers. The scene of nailing on the cross was horrible. The words that we related to the cross or the images of the cross would not be positive for us, although we are thankful for Jesus' cross.

Let's stop considering the cross for a moment and think about Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem. We are observing Palm Sunday this morning, and we read the scripture that describes the scene of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem. What words come to your mind? You would think of these words: crowd, welcome, a colt or a donkey, palm branches, Hosanna, etc. Jesus entered Jerusalem, riding a colt. People welcomed him. They put palm branches and clothes on the way and waved palm branches, shouting, "Hosanna, Hosanna, Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" The scene is like a General and his army have a triumphal return from a war they won. The people of Israel welcomed their kings, generals, and army in that way, as we can see in the Bible. However, Jesus' entry was not for what he had done but for what he would carry out. The people of Israel wanted a strong king like King David, who let them be free from any nations or empires. They thought Jesus was the king that they had waited for because Jesus had shown them miracles and wonders through his ministry. Hosanna was their cry from their deep hearts, and 'hosanna' means "save us!" or "Help us." They welcomed Jesus as the king who could conquer the world and let them be free from the suppression of the Roman Empire. It was a victorious entry, and it was a triumphal entry.

There were only five days between Jesus' triumphal entry to Jerusalem and his death on the cross. How can we connect his entry to his death? Jesus entered Jerusalem like a king, but he was executed as a criminal. Did he come to Jerusalem bravely for victory at first but fail at last? No! Not at all. Jesus had victory although he got through the cross. The cross was the cruelest execution. Jesus had pains and sufferings that we cannot imagine. Jesus was mocked, taunted, and shamed, which we cannot endure. However, he had victory through the cross. He won us, the people of God, through his love on the cross. He broke our chains of sin and death through his death on the cross. He set us free from the slavery of sins and evil through his blood on the cross. He taught us what love is and how to live as Christ-followers through his death on the cross. He had victory through the cross, although his way was not like what we like or what we think.



Jesus' victory was like a mother's victory. Mothers win their babies after painful labor. Jesus gave us a new life after his painful sacrifice. Jesus' suffering was worthy, not vain at all. Jesus' bleeding was not a failure but a victory because he won us through that. Athletes or artists endure a hard time for practice to win a good record or a good performance. Their painful time for practice and work is a victory for them because they can get what they want through a hard time. We also endure a painful or hard time to achieve our life goals. The hard time is precious for us, and it is a victory for us because we can gain something through that process; as we say, "No pain, no gain."

Jesus won the victory on the cross and through the cross. His triumphal entry didn't finish a failure but became the victory of love and grace toward us on the cross. He achieved his mission given by God. The cross was not a sad place but the triumphal place and the victorious place because he won us.

Jesus won the victory on the cross. That is what Jesus had done, but that's not all. Jesus gives us the victory on the cross. Jesus won us on the cross, but he was not the only one who got the benefits. We received the benefits from Jesus through the cross. We are the people who were saved by Jesus on the cross. We are the people who were released from the captivity of sins and eternal death. We are the people who have the strength to fight against sins and evil. We are the people who received the new life in Christ. Jesus gives us the victory of love, grace, mercy, peace, compassion, justice, and hope through the cross. We are the real beneficiaries of what Jesus had done on the cross.

Little Falls Church Family,  
Jesus' victory on the cross is our victory on the cross because Jesus shared his victory with us freely because Jesus gave us his triumph without charge. Let us live out the victory of love, grace, peace, justice, and compassion in our lives, remembering what Jesus had done for us on the cross and reminding ourselves that Jesus gave us his victory. Let us fight against sin and evil when they come into our life! Jesus already won the battle and gave us the victory so we could win the fight. Let us practice Jesus' values in our lives because Jesus gives us the victory of his values: love, grace, peace, compassion, and justice. Remember always that Jesus gives us victory. Amen.

### *Called to Share*

#### **Response to Our Generous God**

‡**Doxology**    *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*    **UMH 95**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

#### ‡**Prayer of Dedication**

**All: What can we offer that you have not already offered us? What can we do that you have not already done for us? Lord Jesus Christ, in your gifts to us, you have provided us the way to live and serve you. In both your triumph and your suffering, you deserve our praise. Through the gifts we now offer, we express our longing to serve and to follow wherever you go. Amen.**

*Called to the World*

**‡Closing Hymn**

***Victory in Jesus***

**UMH 370**

Verse 1

I heard an old old story  
How a Savior came from glory  
How He gave His life on Calvary  
To save a wretch like me  
I heard about His groaning  
Of His precious blood's atoning  
Then I repented of my sins  
And won the victory

Chorus

O victory in Jesus  
My Savior forever  
He sought me and bought me  
With His redeeming blood  
He loved me ere I knew Him  
And all my love is due Him  
He plunged me to victory  
Beneath the cleansing flood

Verse 2

I heard about His healing  
Of His cleansing pow'r revealing  
How He made the lame to walk again  
And caused the blind to see  
And then I cried dear Jesus  
Come and heal my broken spirit  
And somehow Jesus came and brought  
To me the victory

Verse 3

I heard about a mansion  
He has built for me in glory  
And I heard about the streets of gold  
Beyond the crystal sea  
About the angels singing  
And the old redemption story  
And some sweet day I'll sing up there  
The song of victory

**‡Benediction**

**Rev. Jin Kook Kim**

“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.” “The grace of the Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.” Amen.