



HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday: March 25

We remember that the crowds cheered Jesus as he entered Jerusalem and the palms were laid before the donkey that Jesus rode. We begin differently, waving palms.

Holy Tuesday/Watoto: March 27

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Maundy Thursday: March 29

(“Maundy” is an English form of the Latin word for “commandment mandate,” the new commandment to “love one another as I have loved you.”)

Seder Meal: 6pm

The Seder is one part of the present-day Jewish seven-day Passover celebration. The name Passover originates from the time when God, through Moses, led the Israelites out of their slavery. To recall that great deliverance, the elements of the traditional Seder meal symbolize historically significant features of the Israelite experience. Seder is a Jewish celebration of freedom useful in helping Christians understand Judaism. Christians are particularly interested in this ritual meal because it was during a Passover celebration that Jesus instituted Holy Communion. Tickets are required (as we need to know how many places to set), and can be purchased for \$1.

Simple Communion Service: 7:30pm

On the eve of Maundy Thursday, in the upper room Jesus and his followers shared bread and wine as part of their meal, and Jesus said, “Do this in remembrance of me.” He also taught them to serve others through the example of washing their feet. Our service ends with the stripping of the altar as we anticipate the arrest of Jesus.

Good Friday: March 30

Worship Service: 7pm

On this day Jesus was tried and the people called for him to be crucified. We recall Jesus’ time under arrest, his death on the cross, and his hasty burial in a stranger’s tomb. Worship calls us to remember Jesus’ self-giving sacrifice, suffering, and death.

Easter Vigil: March 31

(don’t forget to pick-up your take-home liturgy when available)

In the church’s early years, few worship events held more significance than the Easter Vigil. It was customary in the early church that new Christians, having been instructed in the faith, were brought forward for baptism on this night.

Sunday April 12

Easter: Celebration of the Resurrection

Easter Sunday, the great festival day in the church when Christians all over the world gather to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

8:15am Celebration Worship

9:30am Easter Breakfast and Children’s Easter Egg Hunt

10:30am Celebration Worship