**April 2, 2023**

**Palm/Passion Sunday**

**Communion Sunday**

**Crescentville United Methodist Church**

**A Changing Church for Changing Times**

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*Today, as we enter into Holy Week, we begin by remembering that Jesus, though He may appear weak in the coming days, was truly King of Kings and Lord of Lords. I pray that we will all venture through these days in the spirit of the hymn: “Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.” Let it be so… - Pastor Randy*

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**Welcome**

 Chorus of Welcome *“The Family of God”*

I’m so glad I’m a part of the family of God—I’ve been washed in the fountain, cleansed by His blood!

Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod; for I’m part of the family, the family of God.

**PROCLAMATION OF THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY**

***St. Matthew 21:1-11***

**\*Opening Prayer**

 **It is indeed right to praise and bless You, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which**

 **You have redeemed us though Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. We remember that day**

 **when He entered Your holy city of Jerusalem and there was proclaimed King by those**

 **who spread their garments and palm branches in His path. As we recall His coming in victory,**

 **so we ask that You will bless these palms, that they may be for us signs of the victory**

 **which is yet to come. We pray that as we carry them in His Name, so we may**

 **ever acknowledge Him as our King and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life. Amen.**

**\*Congregational Anthem** *“The Palms”* Jean-Baptiste Faure

 O'er all the way green palms and blossoms gay, are strewn this day in festal preparation;

 Where Jesus comes to wipe our tears away, even now the throng to welcome Him prepare.

⁠Refrain: Join all and sing, His name declare; Let every voice resound with acclamation,

 Hosanna, Praise be the Lord! Bless Him who cometh to bring us salvation.

 Sing and rejoice, O blest Jerusalem, of all Thy sons sing the emancipation;

 Through boundless love, the Christ of Bethlehem brings faith and hope to Thee forevermore. (Refrain)

 \*Psalter *Psalm 118*

 *Give thanks to the Lord, because He is good, and His love is eternal…*

 *Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord…*

 *The Lord is God; He has been good to us…*

 *Give thanks to the Lord, because He is good, and His love is eternal.*

 **Prayer of Confession**

 Compassionate Lord, we often sing that we are able to follow You, but today we confess

 that this is not always true. Too many times we find ourselves living lives that are contrary

 to You and the way that You would have us to live. Forgive us, we pray, and strengthen us,

 we ask, so that, because we are willing, but our flesh is weak, we can live in the strength

 of Your love and goodness, pleasing You and showing Your love to those around us. Amen.

*Silent Prayer and Meditation……………Words of Forgiveness*

**Children’s Message**

**Joys & Concerns………………….……..*Gathered Prayer***

Gifts and Offerings

*Offertory “All That We Have”*

Doxology *“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”*  [TUNE: HAMBURG]

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*The Offertory Prayer**

**\*Hymn** *“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”* [v. 1] # 298

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,

my richest gain I count but loss and pour contempt on all my pride.

**GOSPEL LESSON AND HYMNS-----------------*ST. MATTHEW 26:14-27:66***

**St. Matthew 26:14-29 *Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus / The Lord’s Supper***

Then one of the Twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests **15** and said, “What will you give me if I turn Jesus over to you?” They paid him thirty pieces of silver. **16** From that time on he was looking for an opportunity to turn him in. **17** On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, the disciples came to Jesus and said, “Where do you want us to prepare for you to eat the Passover meal?”

**18** He replied, “Go into the city, to a certain man, and say, ‘The teacher says, “My time is near. I’m going to celebrate the Passover with my disciples at your house.”’” **19** The disciples did just as Jesus instructed them. They prepared the Passover. **20** That evening he took his place at the table with the twelve disciples. **21** As they were eating he said, “I assure you that one of you will betray me.” **22** Deeply saddened, each one said to him, “I’m not the one, am I, Lord?” **23** He replied, “The one who will betray me is the one who dips his hand with me into this bowl. **24** The Human One goes to his death just as it is written about him. But how terrible it is for that person who betrays the Human One! It would have been better for him if he had never been born.” **25** Now Judas, who would betray him, replied, “It’s not me, is it, Rabbi?”

Jesus answered, “You said it.” **26** While they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, “Take and eat. This is my body.” **27** He took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from this, all of you. **28** This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many so that their sins may be forgiven. **29** I tell you, I won’t drink wine again until that day when I drink it in a new way with you in my Father’s kingdom.”

 **HYMN *“What Wondrous Love Is This”***

 **What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what wondrous love is this, O my soul!**

 **What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss**

 **to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.**

**St. Matthew 26:30-35 *Jesus Predicts Peter’s Denial***

**30** Then, after singing songs of praise, they went to the Mount of Olives.

**31** Then Jesus said to his disciples, “Tonight you will all fall away because of me. This is because it is written, I will hit the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will go off in all directions. **32** But after I’m raised up, I’ll go before you to Galilee.” **33** Peter replied, “If everyone else stumbles because of you, I’ll never stumble.” **34** Jesus said to him, “I assure you that, before the rooster crows tonight, you will deny me three times.” **35** Peter said, “Even if I must die alongside you, I won’t deny you.” All the disciples said the same thing.

 **HYMN *“What Wondrous Love Is This”***

 **What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what wondrous love is this, O my soul!**

 **What wondrous love is this, that caused the Lord of life**

 **to lay aside His crown for my soul, for my soul, to lay aside His crown for my soul.**

**St. Matthew 26:36-56 *Gethsemane / Jesus Arrested***

**36** Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane. He said to the disciples, “Stay here while I go and pray over there.” **37** When he took Peter and Zebedee’s two sons, he began to feel sad and anxious. **38** Then he said to them, “I’m very sad. It’s as if I’m dying. Stay here and keep alert with me.” **39** Then he went a short distance farther and fell on his face and prayed, “My Father, if it’s possible, take this cup of suffering away from me. However—not what I want but what you want.” **40** He came back to the disciples and found them sleeping. He said to Peter, “Couldn’t you stay alert one hour with me? **41** Stay alert and pray so that you won’t give in to temptation. The spirit is eager, but the flesh is weak.” **42** A second time he went away and prayed, “My Father, if it’s not possible that this cup be taken away unless I drink it, then let it be what you want.” **43** Again he came and found them sleeping. Their eyes were heavy with sleep. **44** But he left them and again went and prayed the same words for the third time. **45** Then he came to his disciples and said to them, “Will you sleep and rest all night? Look, the time has come for the Human One to be betrayed into the hands of sinners. **46** Get up. Let’s go. Look, here comes my betrayer.”

**47** While Jesus was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, came. With him was a large crowd carrying swords and clubs. They had been sent by the chief priests and elders of the people. **48** His betrayer had given them a sign: “Arrest the man I kiss.” **49 J**ust then he came to Jesus and said, “Hello, Rabbi.” Then he kissed him. **50** But Jesus said to him, “Friend, do what you came to do.” Then they came and grabbed Jesus and arrested him. **51** One of those with Jesus reached for his sword. Striking the high priest’s slave, he cut off his ear. **52** Then Jesus said to him, “Put the sword back into its place. All those who use the sword will die by the sword. **53** Or do you think that I’m not able to ask my Father and he will send to me more than twelve battle groups of angels right away? **54** But if I did that, how would the scriptures be fulfilled that say this must happen?” **55** Then Jesus said to the crowds, “Have you come with swords and clubs to arrest me, like a thief? Day after day, I sat in the temple teaching, but you didn’t arrest me. **56** But all this has happened so that what the prophets said in the scriptures might be fulfilled.” Then all the disciples left Jesus and ran away.

 **HYMN *“What Wondrous Love Is This”***

 **To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing;**

 **to God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM, while millions join the theme I will sing, I will sing;**

 **while millions join the theme I will sing.**

**St. Matthew 26:57-68 *Jesus Before the Sanhedrin***

Those who arrested Jesus led him to Caiaphas the high priest. The legal experts and the elders had gathered there. **58** Peter followed him from a distance until he came to the high priest’s courtyard. He entered that area and sat outside with the officers to see how it would turn out.

**59** The chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they could put him to death**. 60** They didn’t find anything they could use from the many false witnesses who were willing to come forward. But finally they found two **61** who said, “This man said, ‘I can destroy God’s temple and rebuild it in three days.’” **62** Then the high priest stood and said to Jesus, “Aren’t you going to respond to the testimony these people have brought against you?” **63** But Jesus was silent. The high priest said, “By the living God, I demand that you tell us whether you are the Christ, God’s Son.” **64** “You said it,” Jesus replied. “But I say to you that from now on you’ll see the Human One sitting on the right side of the Almighty and coming on the heavenly clouds.” **65** Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, “He’s insulting God! Why do we need any more witnesses? Look, you’ve heard his insult against God. **66** What do you think?” And they answered, “He deserves to die!” **67** Then they spit in his face and beat him. They hit him **68** and said, “Prophesy for us, Christ! Who hit you?”

 **HYMN *“Ah, Holy Jesus”***

**Ah, holy Jesus, how have Thou offended, that we to judge Thee have in hate pretended?**

**By foes derided, by Thine own rejected, O most afflicted!**

**St. Matthew 26:69-75 *Peter Disowns Jesus***

Meanwhile, Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant woman came and said to him, “You werealso with Jesus the Galilean.” **70** But he denied it in front of all of them, saying, “I don’t know what you are talking about.” **71** When he went over to the gate, another woman saw him and said to those who were there, “This man was with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.” **72** With a solemn pledge, he denied it again, saying, “I don’t know the man.” **73** A short time later those standing there came and said to Peter, “You must be one of them. The way you talk gives you away.” **74** Then he cursed and swore, “I don’t know the man!” At that very moment the rooster crowed. **75** Peter remembered Jesus’ words, “Before the rooster crows you will deny me three times.” And Peter went out and cried uncontrollably.

 **HYMN *“Ah, Holy Jesus”***

 **Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon you? Alas, my treason,**

 **Jesus, has undone you! ‘Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied You; I crucified You.**

**St. Matthew 27:1-10** ***Judas Hangs Himself***

Early in the morning all the chief priests and the elders of the people reached the decision to have Jesus put to death. **2** They bound him, led him away, and turned him over to Pilate the governor. **3** When Judas, who betrayed Jesus, saw that Jesus was condemned to die, he felt deep regret. He returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, and **4** said, “I did wrong because I betrayed an innocent man.” But they said, “What is that to us? That’s your problem.” **5** Judas threw the silver pieces into the temple and left. Then he went and hanged himself. **6** The chief priests picked up the silver pieces and said, “According to the Law it’s not right to put this money in the treasury. Since it was used to pay for someone’s life, it’s unclean.” **7** So they decided to use it to buy the potter’s field where strangers could be buried. **8** That’s why that field is called “Field of Blood” to this very day. **9** This fulfilled the words of Jeremiah the prophet: And I took the thirty pieces of silver, the price for the one whose price had been set by some of the Israelites, **10** and I gave them for the potter’s field, as the Lord commanded me.

 **HYMN *“Ah, Holy Jesus”***

 **Lo, the Good Shepherd for the sheep is offered; the slave has sinned, and the Son**

 **has suffered. For our atonement, while we nothing heeded, God interceded.**

**St. Matthew 27:11-26** ***Jesus Before Pilate***

Jesus was brought before the governor. The governor said, “Are you the king of the Jews?” Jesus replied, “That’s what you say.” **12** But he didn’t answer when the chief priests and elders accused him.

**13** Then Pilate said, “Don’t you hear the testimony they bring against you?” **14** But he didn’t answer, not even a single word. So the governor was greatly amazed.**15** It was customary during the festival for the governor to release to the crowd one prisoner, whomever they might choose. **16** At that time there was a well-known prisoner named Jesus Barabbas. **17** When the crowd had come together, Pilate asked them, “Whom would you like me to release to you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called Christ?” **18** He knew that the leaders of the people had handed him over because of jealousy.**19** While he was serving as judge, his wife sent this message to him, “Leave that righteous man alone. I’ve suffered much today in a dream because of him.” **20** But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and kill Jesus. **21** The governor said, “Which of the two do you want me to release to you?” “Barabbas,” they replied. **22** Pilate said, “Then what should I do with Jesus who is called Christ?” They all said, “Crucify him!” **23** But he said, “Why? What wrong has he done?” They shouted even louder, “Crucify him!”

**24** Pilate saw that he was getting nowhere and that a riot was starting. So he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd. “I’m innocent of this man’s blood,” he said. “It’s your problem.”

**25** All the people replied, “Let his blood be on us and on our children.” **26** Then he released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus whipped, then handed him over to be crucified.

**HYMN *“O Sacred Head Now Wounded”***

 **O Sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down, now scornfully**

 **surrounded with thorns Thine only crown: how pale Thou are with anguish, with sore**

 **abuse and scorn! How does that visage languish which once was bright as morn!**

**St. Matthew 27:27-31**  ***The Soldiers Mock Jesus***

**27** The governor’s soldiers took Jesus into the governor’s house, and they gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. **28** They stripped him and put a red military coat on him. **29** They twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They put a stick in his right hand. Then they bowed down in front of him and mocked him, saying, “Hey! King of the Jews!” **30** After they spit on him, they took the stick and struck his head again and again. **31** When they finished mocking him, they stripped him of the military coat and put his own clothes back on him. They led him away to crucify him.

**HYMN *“O Sacred Head Now Wounded”***

 **What Thou, my Lord, has suffered was all for sinners’ gain; but mine was**

 **the transgression, and Thine the deadly pain. Lo, here I fall, my Savior!**

 **‘Tis I deserve Thy place; look on me with Thy favor, vouchsafe to me Thy grace.**

**St. Matthew 27:32-56** ***The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus***

As they were going out, they found Simon, a man from Cyrene. They forced him to carry his cross. **33** When they came to a place called Golgotha, which means Skull Place, **34** they gave Jesus wine mixed with vinegar to drink. But after tasting it, he didn’t want to drink it. **35** After they crucified him, they divided up his clothes among them by drawing lots. **36** They sat there, guarding him. **37** They placed above his head the charge against him. It read, “This is Jesus, the king of the Jews.” **38** They crucified with him two outlaws, one on his right side and one on his left. **39** Those who were walking by insulted Jesus, shaking their heads **40** and saying, “So you were going to destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, were you? Save yourself! If you are God’s Son, come down from the cross.” **41** In the same way, the chief priests, along with the legal experts and the elders, were making fun of him, saying, **42** “He saved others, but he can’t save himself. He’s the king of Israel, so let him come down from the cross now. Then we’ll believe in him. **43** He trusts in God, so let God deliver him now if he wants to. He said, ‘I’m God’s Son.’” **44** The outlaws who were crucified with him insulted him in the same way.

**45** From noon until three in the afternoon the whole earth was dark. **46** At about three Jesus cried out with a loud shout, “Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani,” which means, “My God, my God, why have you left me?”

**47** After hearing him, some standing there said, “He’s calling Elijah.” **48** One of them ran over, took a sponge full of vinegar, and put it on a pole. He offered it to Jesus to drink.**49** But the rest of them said, “Let’s see if Elijah will come and save him.” **50** Again Jesus cried out with a loud shout. Then he died.

**51** Look, the curtain of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split,0 **52** and the bodies of many holy people who had died were raised. **53** After Jesus’ resurrection they came out of their graves and went into the holy city where they appeared to many people. **54** When the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus saw the earthquake and what had just happened, they were filled with awe and said, “This was certainly God’s Son.” **55** Many women were watching from a distance. They had followed Jesus from Galilee to serve him. **56** Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of Zebedee’s sons.

 **HYMN *“O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done”***

 **O love divine, what hast Thou done! The immortal God has died for me!**

 **The Father’s co-eternal Son bore all my sins upon the tree.**

 **Th’immortal God for me has died: My Lord, my Love is crucified!**

**St. Matthew 27:57-66** ***The Burial of Jesus / The Guard at the Tomb***

 **57** That evening a man named Joseph came. He was a rich man from Arimathea who had become a disciple of Jesus. **58** He came to Pilate and asked for Jesus’ body. Pilate gave him permission to take it.

 **59** Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, **60** and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had carved out of the rock. After he rolled a large stone at the door of the tomb, he went away. **61** Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting in front of the tomb. **62** The next day, which was the day after Preparation Day, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate. **63** They said, “Sir, we remember that while that deceiver was still alive he said, ‘After three days I will arise.’ **64** Therefore, order the grave to be sealed until the third day. Otherwise, his disciples may come and steal the body and tell the people, ‘He’s been raised from the dead.’ This last deception will be worse than the first.” **65** Pilate replied, “You have soldiers for guard duty. Go and make it as secure as you know how.” **66** Then they went and secured the tomb by sealing the stone and posting the guard.

**HYMN *“O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done”***

 **Is crucified for me and you, to bring us rebels back to God.**

 **Believe, believe the record true, ye all are bought with Jesus’ blood.**

 **Pardon for all flows from His side: My Lord, my love, is crucified.**

**Service of Holy Communion**

The Lord be with you…………………...…**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts……………………...…..**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God….**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven

 we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

 **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD, GOD OF POWER AND MIGHT, HEAVEN**

 **AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY, HOSANNA IN THE**

 **HIGHEST. BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE**

 **LORD. HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.**

...And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,

 we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice,

 in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

 **CHRIST HAS DIED; CHRIST IS RISEN, CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN.**

...Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,

 all glory and honor is yours, almighty God, now and forever. **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 and debts as we forgive our debtors and 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.*

*BREAKING THE BREAD………………………………….GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP*

*Communion Hymn: “Remembrance of You”*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

 **Lord Jesus Christ, You humbled Yourself in taking the form of a servant,**

 **and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow You**

 **and to proclaim You as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**\*Hymn** *“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”* [VS. 1-2] # 626

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in His hand,
Christ our God to earth descending, comes our homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth He stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the body and the blood;
He will give to all the faithful His own self for heavenly food.

**\*Benediction**

***Quiet Meditation, Reflection, and Prayer***

\*Choral Benediction  *“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”* [v. 4] # 298

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small;

love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

**Lectionary Scripture Readings**

Reading the bible gives us what we need to defend our faith. 1 Peter 3:15 reminds us to be able to give a reason for our faith but to be careful how we do so. We need to be gentle and respectful.

**April 6, 2023 - Maundy Thursday**

John 13:1-17, 31b-35 - Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14 - Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 - 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

**April 7, 2023 - Good Friday**

 John 18:1-19:42 - Isaiah 52:13-53:12 - Psalm 22 - Hebrews 10:16-25

**April 9, 2023 - Resurrection of the Lord**

John 20:1-18 or Matthew 28:1-10 - Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6 - Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 - Colossians 3:1-4 or Acts 10:34-43

**Thursday, April 6th - Maundy Thursday** Worship will be held at Frankford Memorial UMC (1300 Dyre Street, Phila, PA. 19124) beginning at 6:30 PM with a light Supper and the Service with Holy Communion beginning at 7:30 PM. Please contact Sue Creevey if you plan to attend so that we can plan how many will join us for the meal. Also, let Sue know if you need a ride. Sue Creevey 267-847-6029 ok to text.

**Friday, April 7th - Good Friday** Service here at Crescentville UMC 7:00 PM

**Sunday, April 9th - Easter Sunday** Worship Service 10:30 AM

All youth dismissed to classes after offertory.

**Joys & Concerns: Keep those prayers going and thank God for His answers! To add a prayer request or share a joy, *please call the church and leave a message. (215) 745-7115.*** When we pray for others, God also opens our eyes to the needs of people everywhere—their pain, addiction, hurt, illness and heavy hearts. In prayer, our hearts recognize that every, single person matters to God.

**Prayer Requests from March 26, 2023**

Traveling mercies for Winston and Victoria as they travel home to Jamaica for a visit.

Martha Korto - continued prayers for recovery - Lymph nodes were clear, no cancer there.

Diana Wilson is having a procedure on her back this week.

Cocoa is having vitrectomy surgery on her eye this week.

Zilpha is asking for prayers for Nellie & Roeanna

Abdullah Jah asked for prayers for his brother, Tasima Jah for a successful eye surgery in Ghana.

Prayers for Ukraine and for world peace.

Prayers for the Howard and Mazzari families as they grieve the loss of loved ones.

Prayers for people in the west part of US as they are going through very bad weather.

Prayers for Lovens Bernard - Jean will get to see him in Delaware this Easter.

Pastor's niece Sarah and her husband Jared are recovering well. Thanks for prayers.

Allyson Jenkins asked for prayers for the Vidale family, her sister in law passed away on Wednesday from cancer. Asking for traveling mercy.

**Continuing Prayers:**

Pastor Randy & Family Sana Aman Zilpha and James Browne Dorothy Buzzard

Eva Baumgartel Caroline (Burghaze’s Daughter) Patsy Coyne Rev. Khan Scott Meyer Marva Bob Patterson Cass Quigley Betty Sauerwald & family Wondor Korto Kayla McManus Sylvia Spotts Christian Stefenescu Suzanne Turner

Prayers for the Ukraine and Russia - for world peace

Prayers for our city and end to violence .

Prayers for peace and stability in Sierra Leone

Please praise and pray for our youth – they are the future of our Church!

As Pastor Randy will be retiring in July, we await the announcement of a new pastor to be assigned to our church. Please pray for the discernment of the cabinet as they select our new Pastor. Please also pray for our congregation that we move forward with joyful anticipation of these new beginnings.

**TEA BY THE SEA Sunday, April 30, 2023 1:00 PM**

Join us for afternoon tea and a presentation by

Sue Snyder featuring swimwear

from 1890 to the 1970’s

Admission $ 10.00 in advance$ 12.00 at the door

Please see Sue Snyder for tickets.

 ***PLEASE prayerfully consider raising your weekly***

 ***monetary offering to help with our expenses.***

 ***Unsure if you are able to give more? Try taking a***

 ***up from your current giving, and if that goes well,***

 ***take another step – you may find that you can give more***

