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A Message FROM REV. MELANIE



In the middle of busy days and full lives, it's easy to lose touch with what's happening within us. Holy Week invites us to pause…to listen…to notice what is stirring in our hearts. It gives us an opportunity to listen for the quiet, steady voice of God. Because the truth is, many of us are longing for something more. For renewal. For hope. For new life. And this is the season where we remember: new life is possible.

In a time when so much in our world, and in our country, can feel uncertain or heavy, we need that hope more than ever. Not a surface-level kind of hope, but a deep, grounding hope that meets us where we are and leads us forward.

So, come. Come and tend to your spiritual life. Come and be present. Come and listen for God's voice. Join us for Holy Week and Easter! There is space for you here, and perhaps, the new life your heart has been longing for.

Grace and peace,
Melanie

Holy Week SCHEDULE



PALM SUNDAY

Service featuring a Palm Parade (Meet in Fellowship Hall at 9:55am to join the parade.)

Adult & Cherub Choirs - Hosanna to the King - Dan Forrest

Sunday, March 29th | 10AM

MAUNDY THURSDAY



We remember the night Jesus sat at the table with his disciples, sharing a final meal, offering love even in the shadow of betrayal. It is a night that invites us to come close, to reflect, and to enter the story of a love that does not turn away.

Youth & Adult Choirs - Ubi Caritas - Maurice Duruflé

Thursday, April 2nd | 7PM



GOOD FRIDAY

A reflective service to give pause to remember the events around the crucifixtion.

Adagio for Strings - Samuel Barber

Friday, April 3rd | 7PM

Easter Sunday SERVICES



SUNRISE SERVICE

Indian Hill Golf Course
111 Golf Street, Newington, CT
Sunday, April 5th | 6:15AM

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

Two services filled with glorious music!
Brass, timpani, handbells, Hallelujah chorus, Widor Toccata, 3 choirs

Sermon: "*The Power of Resurrection*"
by Rev. Melanie Enfield

Sunday, April 5th | 9:00AM & 11:00AM

April 19th EVENTS



PIANO RECITAL

Peter Niedmann plays piano music of Chopin, Mozart, Debussy (Clair de Lune), Corea.
April 19, 4:00. Free concert



BIRTHDAY SUNDAY

On **Sunday, April 19th**, please join us in Fellowship hall directly after service for a birthday celebration of "everyone's birthday!"

We will have12 cakes, one for each month, plus one special cake for our 90 year and above guests! Sample cakes from each month and see who else is was born in your birthday month!

Rise AGAINST HUNGER

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We are excited to announce that our church is partnering with Rise Against Hunger, a global organization committed to ending hunger by providing nutritious meals and creating sustainable food solutions around the world. With 733 million people worldwide facing food insecurity, this is an opportunity for us to make a real, tangible impact.

Please join us on **Sunday, April 19th** for the Rise Against Hunger Meal Packaging Program. Please see the volunteer sign-up sheets and donation slips at the Welcome table in the Narthex.

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Easter Memorial Fund

Each Easter we have memorial flowers in the Sanctuary during our Easter Services. It is a chance to memorialize loved ones during the Easter season. After the Easter Service, the plants are delivered to members in our congregation who are bereaved, ill, or are no longer able to attend services. Funds that are collected in excess of the money needed to purchase the plants will be donated to various missions of the church. If you wish to make a contribution, please make your check payable to Church of Christ, Congregational, put "Easter Memorial Fund" on the memo line, and return it along with this completed form to the Church Office by

Sunday, March 29th.

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