

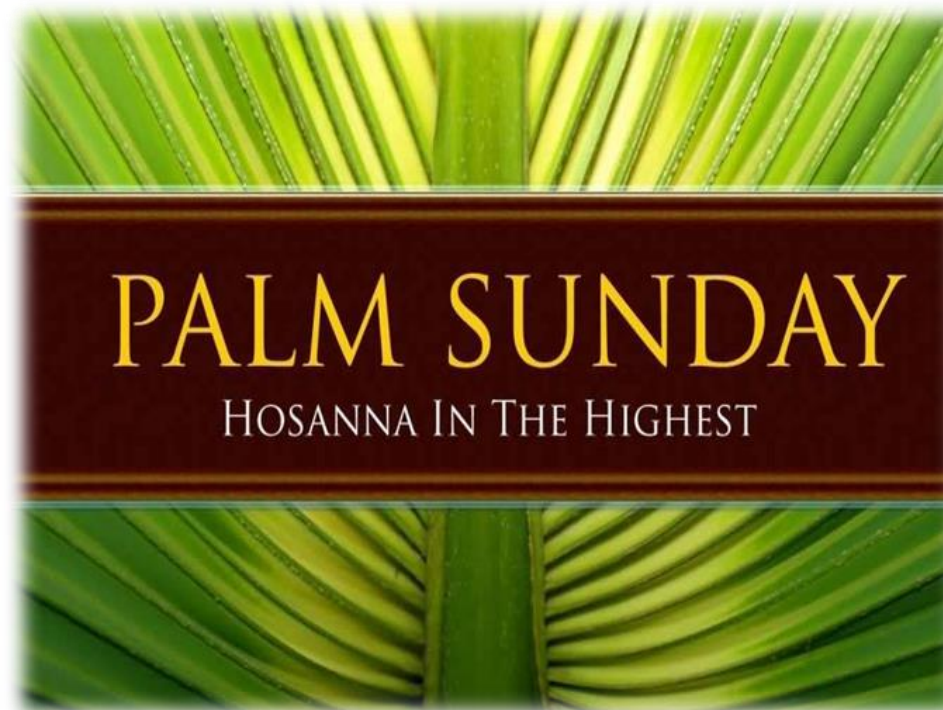
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Called Together by God to worship...



Middle Spring Presbyterian Church

135 Middle Spring Rd. Shippensburg, PA 17257
www.middlespringpc.org

The Rev. Edward H. Blank, Transitional Pastor
Sunday Worship begins at 10:30 am





The Middle Spring Presbyterian Church
Palm Sunday
April 13, 2025



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PROCESSIONAL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *The King of Glory* by Dorothy Wells

OPENING PRAYER

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever!

Let all who fear the Lord say,

God's steadfast love endures forever!

The Lord has answered our prayer and become our salvation.

God's steadfast love endures forever!

Hosanna, hosanna!

Let us worship God!

***GATHERING PRAISES (INSERT)** *Hosanna (Praise is Rising)*
 Led by the MSPC Puppet Ministry

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

We come with our praises, yet we fall short of the glory of God.

Sin stains even our best intentions, but God refuses to let sin have the last word.

With faith and hope, let us seek God's forgiveness.


PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Triumphant God,
we join the crowds of the ages in shouting your praises.
While our lips give you glory,
our lives seldom reflect your purposes.

Sunday, April 13	9:15 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship in person and online
		Palm Sunday
Monday, April 14	8 am - 6:30 pm	Quiet Communion in the Sanctuary
Tuesday, April 15	8 am - 6:30 pm	Quiet Communion in the Sanctuary
	10:00 am	ZOOM Bible Study
	1:00 pm	PW Bible Study
Weds., April 16	8 am - 6:30 pm	Quiet Communion in the Sanctuary
	6:30 pm	Chancel Choir
	7:30 pm	Handbell Choir
Thurs., April 17	8 am - 6:30 pm	Quiet Communion in the Sanctuary
Friday, April 18	7:00 pm	Good Friday Service
Sunday, April 20	7:00 am	Sunrise Service
		Easter Breakfast
	10:00 am	Worship in person and online
		Holy Communion offered at both services



The **Presbyterian Women's Bible Study** will meet at 1:00 on Tuesday, April 18 in the library. We will continue with Lesson #5 in The Book of Malachi. Contact Kathy Palmer with any questions or for study details.



~~~~~ *Joys and Concerns* ~~~~~


**This week's concerns:** Pray Jim Taylor as he is recovering from cancer surgery.

**Please continue to keep the following in your prayers:**

Susan Ahrens, Chuck Bailey, Tom Barksdale, Vi Barr, Sally Boden, Thomas Bruce, Mark Clever, Peg Corwin, Doe Davis, Ed, Glenn Fletcher, Jim and Dawn Freeman, Michael Harglerode, Bob and Betty Harper, Julia Lent, Pat Mogan, Dorothy Nye, Susan Petrina, Peggy, Troy and Megan Porter, Dottie Reese, Kenneth "Gene" Rhodes, Howard Rife, Lestine and Mike Sayles, Richard Saul, Suzanne Turner, Dick Weaver, Jean Wenger, Robbie Weber, and Mark Zimmerman.

This week we pray for **Westminster Presbyterian Church** in Mifflintown in our Presbytery cycle of prayer; **Leesburg Charge United Methodist Church** in local churches; and **Monte de los Olivos** in Las Crucitas, Choluteca, Honduras.

The beautiful flowers on our altar today are given by the **Van Art Family** in memory of **Judy Van Art**.

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| <p>Pastor Ed will be on vacation from <b>April 21</b> through <b>May 4</b>.<br/>If you need pastoral assistance during that time, please contact Jan Ile at 717-977-7670 or email at <a href="mailto:janile@pa.net">janile@pa.net</a>.</p> |  |
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The College students are fast approaching the end of another academic year. We will once again send them a "College Encouragement Box." The sign up sheet for items for the boxes is in the narthex.

Place the items in the tote marked "College Boxes" by **Sunday, April 27**. We have 15 college students to receive boxes this semester.

**We sing easily of your greatness,  
but living faithfully is often beyond us.  
We hear of your salvation,  
yet sin is still close and real,  
daily leading us away from you.  
Have mercy on us.  
Ride into our hearts with healing grace.  
Forgive what we have done  
and direct who we shall be.  
Lord, save us. Hosanna!**

**TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

He who rode into Jerusalem, struggled on the cross,  
and was sealed in a tomb is risen from the dead!  
Jesus Christ has defeated sin forever.  
This is good news!

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

**RESPONSE**                      *Nothing But the Blood  
Jesus Paid It All*

**MSPC Puppet Ministry**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**GOD'S WORD WRITTEN** – Luke 19:28-40

<sup>28</sup> After He had said these things, He was going on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup> When He approached Bethphage and Bethany, near the mount that is called Olivet, He sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, "Go into the village ahead of you; there, as you enter, you will find a colt tied on which no one yet has ever sat; untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup> "If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say, 'The Lord has need of it.'" <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent went away and found it just as He had told them. <sup>33</sup> As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup> They said, "The Lord has need of it." <sup>35</sup> They brought it to Jesus, and they threw their coats on the colt and put Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> As He was going, they were spreading their coats on the road. <sup>37</sup> As soon as He was approaching, near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of the disciples began to praise God joyfully

with a loud voice for all the miracles which they had seen, <sup>38</sup> shouting: “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord; Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Him, “Teacher, rebuke Your disciples.” <sup>40</sup> But Jesus answered, “I tell you, if these become silent, the stones will cry out!”

**ANTHEM** *Because He Lives* **MSPC Puppet Ministry**  
*Gone*

**GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED** – Pastor Ed and MSPC Puppet Ministry

*Lily of the Valley*  
*Easter Hallelujah*  
*Are You Washed in the Blood*

**THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY** *In the Cross* **MSPC Puppet Ministry**

**\*DOXOLOGY GTG #606**

**OFFERING PRAYER**

**SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER / LORD’S PRAYER**

**SENDING HYMNS** **MSPC Puppet Ministry**

*Crown Him With Many Crowns*  
*Christ Arose*

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** *Andante Maestoso from “The Seven Words of Jesus Christ”* by Franz Joseph Haydn



This month our designated offering will go to **One Great Hour of Sharing** to provide disaster relief, refugee assistance, and development efforts.



**Greeters are needed!**

Please consider acting as a greeter for one or more services. Sign up in the narthex, or contact Kathy Palmer.

## Come and Join Us for Quiet Communion

During Holy Week, the church will be open for you to come and partake in “Quiet Communion.” Here you will be provided a solitary time to pray (suggested prayers provided) then, when you are ready, you can serve yourself the consecrated elements.

Come when you can, stay as long as you wish.

### **Days and Times:**

Monday - Thursday, 8:00 am to 6:30 pm



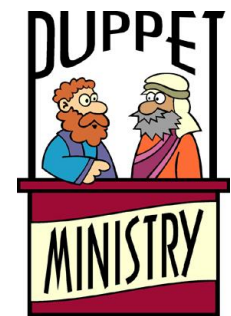
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Cooper Krebs  
Harper Krebs  
Jaxson Mosher  
Gavin Schoenfelder

### **Directors**

Don Cover  
Jared Krebs



Pastor is Rev. **Ed Blank**.

Liturgist is **Larry Singer**.

Acolyte is **Jaxson Mosher**.

Elder of the Week is **Jill Corwin**.

Ushers are **Danny and Regina Chamberlin** and **Jerry and Dawn Chamberlin**.

Greeters are **Warren and Kyla Jones**.

Organist is **Ingrid Winckler**.

Choir Director is **Lindsay Evanchak**.

Handbell Choir Director is **Jan Ile**.

Nursery Coordinator is **Brenda Varner**.

Deacon of the Month is **Stevie Nordai**.