

***Welcome to Worship with the First Reformed Church
April 14, 2019
Palm Sunday**

We hold in tension the emotions of this day: the joy of the exuberant crowd welcoming Jesus, and the scorn of those so threatened by him as to seek his death. Lord, have mercy.

Sunday Morning Worship — 9:30 a.m.

Prelude *(Please conclude conversations and take time to prepare your hearts for worship)*

Call to Worship – Primary Department

Scripture Mark 11:1-11
***Hymn #174** *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna
How Can I Keep from Singing?*
#97 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*
Assurance of Pardon & Prayer of Confession

***Greeting the Family**

***Announcements**

Offering

(Children and Worship – ages 3-2nd grade -meet downstairs)

Message

“My Name is Peter”

Prayer of Blessing

***Closing Hymn** *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

***Benediction**

***Parting Song #72** *We Will Glorify*

***Postlude**

**Congregation please stand.*

**Please join us for coffee time following worship in the fellowship hall.*

Those Serving Today

Pianist Lois Wendlandt
Greeters Kathy Kok and Phyllis Fuller
Nursery Deb Wells

Children and Worship

Today Jesus' Last Passover
Leader Pam Alderden
Helper Ella Braker

Next Sunday Jesus is Risen: Appearance to Mary Magdalene

Leader Linda Hughes
Helper Austin Anderson

Sunday School

Sunday School will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

Today

Welcome to Palm Sunday! What a joy it is to celebrate the triumphal entry of our Lord in Jerusalem on the first Palm Sunday long ago.

From Pastor Al: Greetings! Today I will share a first-person portrayal of the life of the disciple Peter from the time Jesus called him to be one of the 12 disciples until Jesus ascended into heaven. I thank the Praise Team for their participation in this service. Also, I will be leaving on Friday for Holland, Michigan to officiate the wedding of our nephew Kyle and his bride Evy. The wedding will be held on Saturday night at the North Holland Reformed Church which was the first church where I served as pastor. All of Nancy's family will be there along with many relatives and other guests. Although I will miss being here with you on Easter Sunday morning, I am so thankful that Lois will be leading the service and sharing the message. I will be returning here on Monday, April 22.

Next Sunday

“The Lord is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Come and celebrate the resurrection of our Savior Jesus on Easter Sunday. Remember that the service will begin at **10:00 a.m.** Lois Wendlandt will share the message.

This Week's Activities

Tuesday, April 16

7:30 a.m. – Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, April 17

1:00 p.m. – Needlework Group

3:30 p.m. – Cornerstone - Pizza Ranch

7:00 p.m. – RCYF **Snack:** Maggie Westra

Thursday, April 18 – Maundy Thursday

7:00 p.m. – Communion Service

Friday, April 19 – Good Friday

6:30 p.m. - Combined service with Randolph United Methodist Church held at 227 N. High St. Randolph

Sunday, April 21 – Easter Sunday

10:00 a.m. – Morning Worship

Pianist Mary Paul

Greeters Ken and Judie Ireland

Nursery Jamie Weaver

No Sunday School

7:00 p.m. – Easter Cantata at Bethel CRC in Waupun

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Announcements

Here, Tonight at 6:00 p.m. – The Randolph Community Choir will be presenting the Easter Cantata “The Risen Christ”. Following the presentation, we will have a coffee hour in the fellowship hall. Once again, we ask that you bring a dozen bars or cookies. Thank You!

Maundy Thursday Communion Service - Will be held on Thursday night at 7 PM. We invite all to come to this service that commemorates the last Supper of Jesus with his disciples. Pastor Al will share the message: “A Character of the Cross: The Roman Centurion” from Mark 15: 33 – 39.

Haiti Mission Trip Meeting - The ACTS 2 Team will host a meeting for anyone who would like to learn more about upcoming MissionE4 mission trips to Haiti in July, October, and January. The meeting will be held on Sunday, April 28 beginning 10 minutes following the morning service in Pastor Al's office. Please invite others who are interested who do not attend First Reformed to also come. Thank you! Brian, Aubrynn, Corinna, Nick, and Pastor Al

Camp Calvin 2019 Registration is now open! Camp Calvin is a Christian youth camp for students entering grades 4-9 in the Fall of 2019. Camp Calvin will be held on Sunday, June 16-Friday, June 21. The cost is \$370 per camper. For Registration, Camp Information, Photos, or to contact Camp Calvin with any questions, please visit www.CampCalvin.com. Register before **May 1st** to avoid any late fees. If your child is planning on attending Camp Calvin, please contact Jana Roberts at 920-210-2784 or email ministrycoordinator@randolphfirstreformedchurch.com no later than Sunday, May 19 final payment needs to be in by June 1st.

Randolph Christian Middle School Annual Play – RCS Middle School students invite you to join them on Thursday, April 25, for some fun and laughter as Horace Horsefat, criminal mastermind, and his two not-too-bright assistants attempt to scam some lovely ladies out of a valuable piece of land along Cherry Creek. Will Pastor Pat Pasternack succeed in foiling the plan? Come and find out! "The Great Denver Railroad Scam" will be presented at 2 PM and 7:30 PM in the RCS gym. A free will offering will be taken to offset the cost of materials.

RCS Pizza Ranch Fundraiser - Join the Randolph Christian School at the Waupun Pizza Ranch on Monday, April 29. Our group will be working in the restaurant that night from 4:30 – 8:00 to earn money for the 8th Grade class. 10-15% of buffet, pick-up and delivery sales and all donations will go to support their cause!

Lost and Found – Some children's sweatshirts and jackets were left at church during the catechism season. Please check the coat rack in the basement narthex to see if any of them may belong to your child.

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Upcoming Events

Thursday, May 2 - The National Day of Prayer is observed annually on the first Thursday in May. This year's theme comes from John 13:34 "Love one another, just as I have loved you." All are invited to the Randolph Village Hall on May 2 from NOON to 12:45 for a time of fellowship and prayer. Area pastors will read Scripture and facilitate prayer for our community and country.

Sunday, May 5 – We will be recognizing Child Sponsor Sunday. Representatives from Compassion and MissionE4 will share during "Moments for Mission" at our morning service. There will be a child sponsor table before and after the service in the narthex.

Saturday, May 11 - Annual Ladies Luncheon. A special event for ladies of all ages! Join us at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 11 for Fellowship, Brunch, Special Music and Speaker Ann C Sullivan. The theme is "Living the Sweet Life." Nursery will be provided. Seating is limited to 150 ladies, so be sure to reserve your spot! Call Rita at 920-344-0573 or sign up on the shelf in the narthex.

Sunday, May 19 – Promotion Sunday and All Church Potluck at 11:00 a.m.