

## WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

March 26, 2021

### Palm Sunday!

Find detailed descriptions of services and events at [onrealm.org/events](http://onrealm.org/events) or by going to [www.shephills.org](http://www.shephills.org) and scrolling down to "ALL EVENTS"

### Palm Saturday and Sunday Worship!

**PALM SATURDAY, MARCH 27**

**4:30 p.m. | Easter Fun for Families**

The fun starts in the back parking lot with Resurrection Eggs, crafts, snacks and PONY RIDES! Meet King David, and join us for a parade of palms into Outdoor Worship at 5:30 p.m., led by a donkey of course!

**5:30 p.m. | Palm Saturday Courtyard Worship**

Hear King David's decree and join the Parade of Palms as we celebrate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, marking the beginning of the holiest week of the year!

**PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 28**

**8:15 a.m. | Palm Sunday Courtyard Worship**

**10:45 a.m. | Livestream Worship**

Bring your palm cross and palm leaf! Prepare for Holy Communion, with bread or crackers and wine or juice.

### Learning Hour Sunday, March 28

**9:30 a.m. ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

Join us on Zoom for our Lenten Bible Study: *Pain and Suffering-Where Is God When It Hurts?*

Zoom Meeting ID 882 7978 6819 | Passcode 267585

**9:30 a.m. WEDNESDAYS IN LENT RECORDINGS**

**This week: Liberation from Apathy**

If you missed it on Wednesday, go to [www.shephills.org/messages/](http://www.shephills.org/messages/) to find the recorded version.

**10:00 a.m. CAMP HOPE (PREK-GRADE 4)**

Bible stories and games!

Contact Joel Timmons ([joel@shephills.org](mailto:joel@shephills.org)) for Zoom info.\*

**\*Zoom links can also be found under the name and date of event onrealm.org, Community, Events.**

### Holy Week Begins!

#### Holy Week Prayer Walk

**March 27 - April 4 | Begins in Shepherd's Garden**

Two self-guided outdoor prayer walks, one for adults and one for families with children, are a journey of active prayer and contemplation.

### Maundy Thursday

**THURSDAY, APRIL 1**

**12:00 p.m. | Maundy Thursday Courtyard Worship**

Celebrating the last supper Jesus ate with his disciples, this solemn worship ends in silence after the veiling of the Cross and the stripping of the Altar. Bring a chair and wear a mask.

**7:30 p.m. | Maundy Thursday Livestream Worship**

This Worship features a dramatization of the Last Supper and ends in silence after the veiling of the Cross and the stripping of the Altar. Gather communion elements (wine/water and bread) and join us from wherever you are by clicking the "Church Online" button on the homepage.

## **Good Friday** **FRIDAY, APRIL 2**

### **11:00 a.m. | Family Journey to the Cross**

A worship for the whole family presented by the Youth. Experience Jesus' last week with all five senses by following along with your Resurrection Eggs.

### **7:30 p.m. | Good Friday Livestream Worship**

Seven Last Words of Christ from the Cross. This powerful service is experienced in gathering darkness with moving music. Click "Church Online" on the homepage and join us for this moving Livestream service. Gather 7 candles & candle holders (any and varied sizes will do) to light and extinguish one by one during worship.

## **Holy Saturday Prayer Walk** **SATURDAY, APRIL 3**

### **8:00 - 10:00 a.m. | Shepherd's Garden + Sanctuary**

The Prayer Walk will be open from 8:00 am to 10:00 am, ending with a quiet time of reflection in the Sanctuary.

## **SonRise Easter Worship** **SUNDAY, APRIL 4**

### **7:00 a.m. | Outdoor Worship Center**

This service begins in the dim light of predawn with the Processing of Light. Guitar-led music sets the mood for this intimate worship.

## **Courtyard Easter Worship** **SATURDAY, APRIL 3 @ 5:30 p.m.**

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 4 @ 8:15 a.m. + 9:30 a.m.**

Come to the Courtyard and celebrate Easter all weekend long beginning on Saturday! A traditional liturgy is accompanied by guest vocalists and special musicians on bells, guitar, and trumpet. If you prefer to remain in the safety of your car, find a parking space and tune the radio to FM 100.3!

## **Livestream Easter Worship** **SUNDAY, APRIL 4 @ 10:45 a.m.**

Live from our sanctuary, dressed in all its Easter glory to welcome the Risen King. Choir, bells, and brass belt out the joy of Easter resurrection. Even if you're worshipping via Livestream from home, we invite you to join us for communion with your own bread and wine.

## **Giving!**

### **Lent and Easter Offering**

The Developing Missions Team of Shepherd of the Hills has chosen 100% of our Wednesdays in Lent, Maundy Thursday and Easter thank offerings to be evenly divided between two thriving ministries we are privileged to support, **Water to Thrive** and **LIRS**. You can give at [www.shephills.org/give](http://www.shephills.org/give), or on [realm.org/](http://realm.org/) under Community, Giving, or use the QR code below.



### **Stewardship and Giving**

Your continued giving supports the stewardship of our ministry and campus. Please consider pledging by going to [www.shephills.org/give](http://www.shephills.org/give) and click on the Pledged Support, or use the QR code below.



## Prayers!

Please pray for Kristen Murray, Walter Buell, Nancy Clark, Gene Galbraith, Ray Tackett and Lauren Paulson

We continue to pray for all those affected by COVID-19, and for those caring for them. We give thanks for the hopefulness we are experiencing with more and more vaccinations each week. We look forward to the continued movement toward the end of this pandemic, and we pray for therapeutics and medical care to tend to those who fall ill.

We pray with broken hearts for the communities in Atlanta, GA and Boulder, CO as they are reeling from the recent acts of horrific violence. We cry out in disbelief and lament that these acts continue to occur, and we pray for the victims' families and the survivors whose lives are forever impacted. We pray for courage to work together as a nation to end gun violence!

Please pray for our global ministries: Rev. Karen Castillo in Guatemala; Iglesia Luterana Augustina Virgen del Rosario, Aurora 8 de Octubre, Guatemala; Malcolm and Joy Henderson and the ministry of CHARIS in Haiti

Please pray for our local ministries: Mariposa Family Learning Center, Bread For All and Upbring

Please pray for our faith community, that we may be a church without walls and live out loud...faithfully!

\*Prayers for family members are listed for 2 weeks unless we are notified otherwise.  
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