

# Worship Celebration

LORD'S DAY                      10:00 AM                      April 3, 2022

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WELCOME

PRAISE VIDEO                      *Do Something*                      Matthew West

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (Adapted from Psalm 126/Message Bible)

L: It seemed like a dream, too good to be true, when God returned the exiles.

**C: We laughed, we sang, we couldn't believe our good fortune.**

L: We were the talk of nations – “God was wonderful to them!”

**C: God was wonderful to us; we are one happy people.**

L: So those who planted their crops in despair will shout hurrahs at the harvest.

**C: So those who went off with heavy hearts will come home laughing, with armloads of blessings.**

**\*PRAISE SONG**                      *Give Thanks*                      Slides  
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**\*INVOCATION AND GLORIA PATRI**

**OT SCRIPTURE**                      *Isaiah 43:16-21*  
**GOSPEL/EPISTLE**                      *Philippians 3:4-14*

**RECEIVING TITHES & OFFERING**  
**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Communion is open to everyone. “But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup.”

**PRAYER for the Bread and Cup**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION/COMMUNION at the TABLE**

Come forward to accept the bread & cup. If you unable to come forward, an elder will bring the elements to you.

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**SHARING OF PRAISES & CONCERNS**

**SILENT PRAYER/MEDITATION & PASTORAL**

**LORD'S PRAYER (using “sins”)**

“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. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and glory forever.” Amen.

**SPECIAL MUSIC**                      *Wonderful Words of Life*                      Jerry Cain

**SCRIPTURE**                      *John 12:1-8*                      NT#:1065; LP#:1618

**MESSAGE**                      *Prodigal Giving*

**\*SENDING HYMN**                      *Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee* (v 1,2,3,&5)#465

**\*BENEDICTION/POSTLUDE**                      Piano

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## THOSE SERVING TODAY

**ELDER**                      To Be Announced  
**STEWARD**                      Eva Kretsch  
**PIANIST**                      Janet Frisk  
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Adult Sunday School** meets at 9:15 am in the Board Room. Pastor Paula leads a lectionary based Bible Study.

These items are at the table by the front door of the sanctuary: the *April Church Candle*, the spring issue of “**Our Daily Bread**,” (Mar-Apr-May), and the **minutes & reports** of the church reviewed at the March Board Meeting. During March and April, the **Society of St. Andrew** will receive our collection from “*Coins for a Cause*” as they provided the Lenten devotion.

**Thank you** to Jerry Cain and Janet Frisk for the special music. **Thank you** for your gifts of food which will be taken to the “Feed My Sheep” Food Pantry at the Athens United Methodist Church.

## Announcements for this week:

Tuesday: 10 am - The **Tuesday Bible Study Group**. The group is discussing Pastoral letters (1 & 2 Timothy/Titus.)  
5:00 pm – The **Elders** will meet in the Board Room.

Wednesday/Thursday: **Pastor Paula** will be out of the office. She will be back in the office on Friday.

**Events for Holy Week:**

Next Sunday, April 10 – **Palm Sunday**

Thursday, April 14 – **Maundy Thursday Service** at 7 pm

Friday, April 15 – *A Time of Prayer & Meditation* on **Good Friday** from noon–5 pm in sanctuary  
Stations will be available to pray, light a candle, and trace a finger labyrinth for meditation. Pastor Paula will be available to pray with those requesting prayer or to anoint anyone requesting a healing prayer.

Sunday, April 17 – **Easter Sunday Service** at 10 am

**PRAISE SONG**

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**GIVE THANKS**

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.  
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And now let the weak say, “I am strong,” let the poor say,  
“I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.”  
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“I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.”

**(REPEAT)**

Give thanks, give thanks, give thanks!

Henry Smith  
1978 Integrity’s Hosanna! Music

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