

Pikeville United Methodist Church

"Committed to Christ, Dedicated to Serve"

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Sunday, April 5, 2009



Palm/Passion Sunday

Prelude ***"Again I Say, Rejoice"***
Arranged by Lloyd Larson
Sanctuary Ringers

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Palm Sunday Processional ***"Hosanna! Hosanna!"*** **Chancel Choir**
Arranged by Timothy Mayfield

The congregation is invited to stand join the choir on verse three.

Hosanna in the highest! That ancient song we sing
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King.
O may we ever praise Him with heart and soul and voice
And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

Hymn of Praise** ***"And Can It Be That I Should Gain" **UMH 363**

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood! Died he for me? who caused his pain! For me? who him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left his Father's throne above (so free, so infinite his grace!), emptied himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for O my God, it found out me! 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay, fast bound in sin and nature's night; thine eye diffused a quickening ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; my chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed thee. My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

Affirmation of Faith** ***"Apostle's Creed" **Traditional**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he arose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Passing the Peace

Symbols of Lent ***Rose Petals*** **Julie Clark**

Call to Prayer ***"The Old Rugged Cross"*** **UMH 504**

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain. So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, the old rugged and exchange it some day for a crown.

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, a wondrous beauty I see, for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, to pardon and sanctify me. So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

WORDS and MUSIC: George Bennard,

Receiving Prayer Requests

The Prayer Team

The Morning Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

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. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 2:1-10

Once you were dead because of your disobedience and your many sins. You used to live in sin, just like the rest of the world, obeying the devil—the commander of the powers in the unseen world. He is the spirit at work in the hearts of those who refuse to obey God. All of us used to live that way, following the passionate desires and inclinations of our sinful nature. By our very nature we were subject to God's anger, just like everyone else. But God is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much, that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead. (It is only by God's grace that you have been saved!) For he raised us from the dead along with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ Jesus. So God can point to us in all future ages as examples of the incredible wealth of his grace and kindness toward us, as shown in all he has done for us who are united with Christ Jesus. God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.

Special Music

"The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power"
Devin Porter and Kaitlyn Good

Andre' Crouch

Message

"God's Love in Action"

Rev. Dickinson

"The Lord is gracious and compassionate; slow to anger and rich in love." Psalm 145:8

What do you need to know about God's grace?

1. Grace is God's free _____ to me.

"All of us need to be made right with God by his grace, which is a free gift...through Jesus Christ." Romans 3:24

2. Grace is _____ by faith.

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith...and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God, not by works, so that no one can boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

"People receive God's promise by having faith. This happens so the promise can be a free gift."
Romans 4:16

3. Grace is _____ to every person.

"The promise is not only for those people that live under the law of Moses. It is for everyone who lives with faith like Abraham." Romans 10:13

"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." Romans 10:13

4. Grace is _____ through Jesus.

"The law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus." John 1:17

"...many people have received God's gift of life by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ."
Romans 5:15

5. Grace is _____ for eternity and you have to _____ it.

"The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."
Romans 6:23

"The Lord longs to be gracious to you." Isaiah 30:18

***Response to the Word** *"Grace Greater Than Our Sin"* **UMH 365**

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt! Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, there where the blood of the Lamb was split. Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within; grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin!

Sin and despair, like the sea waves cold, threaten the soul with infinite loss; grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, points to the refuge, the mighty cross. Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within; grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin!

WORDS: Julia H. Johnston, and MUSIC: Daniel B. Towner

Holy Communion

Invitation

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Confession and Pardon

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; That proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

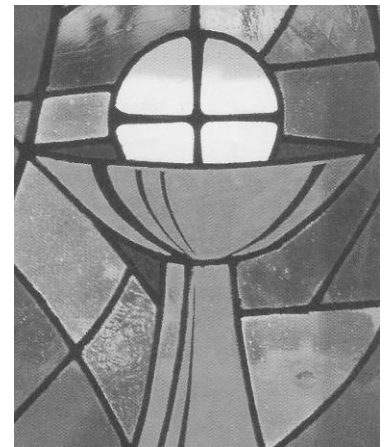
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, king of the universe. All creation bows before his majesty. All praise is due his name. If we were to remain quiet, even the rocks would cry out. We join our voices, then, with those who welcomed their king with palm branches and shouts of "Hosanna." Their words echo through the ages and the courts of heaven.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

As the remembrance of his passion and resurrection draws near, we recall that the city which welcomed him on Sunday cried out for his death on Friday. Yet, even in death he reigned



victorious. He prevailed over his enemies with the shedding of his blood. He triumphed over the grave and offered his salvation to all who put their faith in him.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise. His kingdom is forever.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, Our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, when the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, calling to mind his death on the cross for the sin of the world, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, Redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and the Cup

You will be invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion.

Please use the offering plates located on either side of the Chancel area for God's tithes and our offerings.

***Parting Hymn**

"Grace Greater Than Our Sin"

UMH 365

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide. What can avail to wash it away? Look! There is flowing a crimson tide, brighter than snow you may be today. Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within; grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin!

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, freely bestowed on all who believe! You that are longing to see his face, will you this moment his grace receive? Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within; grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin!

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Benediction

Postlude

***If you are able, please stand.**

Worship Notes

The flowers on the altar are presented to the Glory of God and in honor of **Traci** Bishop's birthday by her husband, **Jerry** and her son, **Jon Franklin**.

The flowers on the altar are presented to the Glory of God and in honor of the birth of **Rexford James Gay**, born on April 1, 2009, to Logan and Kate Davis Gay. He is the grandson of **Rusty and Liz Davis** and the great grandson of **George and Alice Kendrick and Dr. Russell H. and Mary Grace Davis**.

Volunteers Assisting With Worship

Greeter _____	Hal Blake Amos
Worship Leader _____	Jerry Bishop
Sound _____	Don Hall
Acolytes _____	Members of the 4 th , 5 th , and 6 th grade Sunday School Class

GROW activities and musical rehearsals will not meet this Wednesday due to Holy Week. See the schedule for Holy Week on the insert.

On Easter Sunday, both worship services will be held in the Main Sanctuary.

Opportunities of the Week

Sunday, March 29, 2009	
8:45 a.m.	Early Encounter
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Service
4:30 p.m.	Easter Music Rehearsal
5:30 p.m.	Sanctuary Ringers
6:30 p.m.	Youth
Monday, March 30, 2009	
8:30 a.m.	Genesis Kids Preschool
12:00 p.m.	Holy Week Service
5:30 p.m.	Praise Team
8:00 p.m.	NA
Tuesday, March 31, 2009	
8:30 a.m.	Genesis Kids Preschool
12:00 p.m.	Holy Week Service
8:00 p.m.	AA – Power Bldg
Wednesday, April 1, 2009	
6:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast Landmark Inn
8:30 a.m.	Genesis Kids Preschool
12:00 p.m.	Holy Week Service
No Wednesday Evening Activities Due to Holy Week	
Thursday, April 2, 2009	
8:30 a.m.	Genesis Kids Preschool
12:00 p.m.	Holy Week Service
7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service Office of the Tenebrae and Holy Communion
Friday, April 3, 2009	
12:00 p.m.	Holy Week Service
8:00 p.m.	NA
Saturday, April 4, 2009	
10:00 a.m.	Worship Team Prepare Sanctuary for Easter Sunday
7:00 p.m.	NA

**Men's Prayer Breakfast
Every Wednesday morning
at 6:30 a.m.
at the Landmark Inn Restaurant
Please join us.**



**PUMC Children's Ministry
Easter Brunch and Egg Hunt**

Saturday, April 11th from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

All children and their parents are invited to join the festivities as we celebrate the joy of Easter on a kid-friendly level. In addition to the brunch and egg hunt, the children will enjoy the telling of the Easter Story, as well as Easter games and crafts. Please contact Mary Moore if you can volunteer your time prior to or on the day of the event, or if you are willing to donate a food item for the "kid-friendly" brunch.

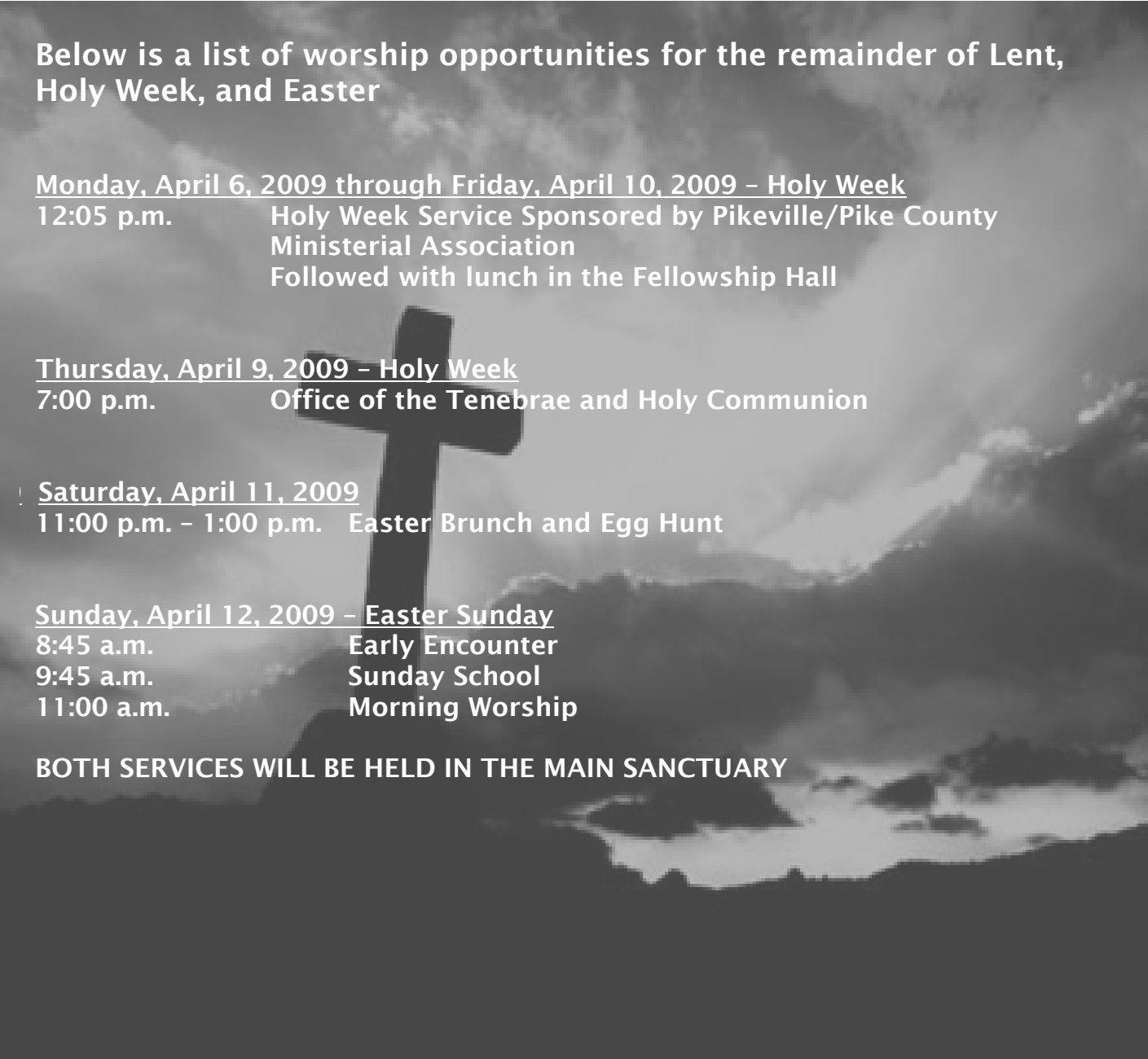


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It's easy to do. Just send an e-mail to mia@pikevilleumc.org to get your name removed from the "snail mail" list.

Thank you for helping us be good stewards of our resources.



Below is a list of worship opportunities for the remainder of Lent, Holy Week, and Easter

Monday, April 6, 2009 through Friday, April 10, 2009 – Holy Week

12:05 p.m. Holy Week Service Sponsored by Pikeville/Pike County Ministerial Association
Followed with lunch in the Fellowship Hall

Thursday, April 9, 2009 – Holy Week

7:00 p.m. Office of the Tenebrae and Holy Communion

Saturday, April 11, 2009

11:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Easter Brunch and Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 12, 2009 – Easter Sunday

8:45 a.m. Early Encounter
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

BOTH SERVICES WILL BE HELD IN THE MAIN SANCTUARY

The PUMC "Genesis Kids" preschool will be dismissing at 11:00 a.m. during Holy Week. They will also be dismissing at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 15th due to Hillbilly Days.

The church office will be closed on April 16th & 17th for Hillbilly Days.