

March 29, 2020 • Volume 65, No. 13 Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. • Worship: 10:00 a.m.



**Focus statement:** We hold in tension the truth that Jesus is the resurrection, and the reality that death does have some sting. Jesus, we need you to show us you have power over death itself.

## **Gathering**

Preservice listen to provided recordings as you join zoom
Call to Worship Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

Leader: In ancient times, Yahweh asked the prophet,

"Do you believe these dead bones can live again?"

People: The prophet answered, "O God, you know!"

Leader: In the time of Jesus, he asked Martha,

"Do you believe I am the resurrection

and the life?"

People: Martha answered, "Yes, Lord, I believe."

Leader: Today God asks, "Do you trust that mourning can

turn into joy?

That your weary bones will live again?"

People: We answer, "O God, show us!"

Affirmation of Faith and Prayer

### **Praising God**

*I sing the mighty power of God (WB 46)* Jenn Esbenshade A prayer for the tithes and offerings received this week

#### **Hearing God's Word**

Scripture: Ezekiel 37:1-14 Conversation with Children Scripture: Romans 8:6-11 Sermon: "Listen for the Rattle" Brenda Martin Hurst Steven Lantz Brenda Martin Hurst Richard Weaver\*

### Responding

Sharing and Announcements
Introducing Grace Umbuntu Fellowship

Congregational Prayer Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

### Sending

Extinguishing the light: Symbolizing Jesus' life drawing to a close and the world getting darker.

They that wait upon the Lord (WB 584)

Ray Hurst Benediction

\* After retiring for surgery and as part of his seminary training Richard attended New Holland Mennonite Church as an intern in ministry. After his ordination in 1999, Ruth joined him until his retirement from ministry in August 2002. They live at Landis Homes where Richard continues to do volunteer chaplaincy and spiritual direction. Ruth and Richard have three children, three wonderful inlaws and eight "GREAT" grandchildren

#### **MARCH 22**

**Zoom Attendance:** 35 • Church Offering: \$1,290.00 Edna Bowman Estate Gift: \$5,800

As you are able, please mail your offerings to the church office. Consider giving a donation to make it possible for children in our congregation to enjoy a week at camp this summer. Mark "Church Camp" on offering envelope. (Talk with Pastor Dawn if you would like to have access to a camp scholarship in 2020.)

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

March 29: Dawn Ranck-Hower

# **Upcoming Events**

(All events held at church unless otherwise indicated)

See next page for details for Holy Week worship services.

Apr 19 Sermon: Joanne DietzelApr 26 Sermon: Dawn Ranck-Hower



# **Zoom Services**

**Palm Sunday Worship Service: April 5.** Journey with Jesus on his last week on earth through scripture, song, and silence.

Maundy Thursday Communion: April 9. 7:00 p.m. We will eat bread and drink wine together (in our own homes). Bring enough wine/juice and bread to your computer with you. We will pray for others; witness Jesus' anguish in the garden of Gethsemane; and watch as he is betrayed, arrested, and deserted by his disciples.

**Good Friday Service: April 10,** 7:00 p.m.

We will listen to scripture during somber service on the saddest day of the church year. Jesus is on his way through the Roman legal system. The question confronting Christians on Good Friday is whether we are willing to follow Jesus to the cross.

Easter Service: April 12, 10:00 a.m.

We have seen the risen Lord! Easter Sunday begins a 50-day period during which the church celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the triumph of life over death.