

*April 13, 2025  
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
Palm Sunday*



*Welcome! We're glad that you're here. Please use the time before worship to prepare your heart and mind for being in the presence of God. The musical prelude is offered as a time of spiritual preparation*

*Please let us know you are here,  
especially if you are new to worship with us!  
Simply open your camera on your smart phone and  
aim it at the code below. Thank you!.*



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#### ENTRANCE

**Prelude & Processional**  
"He Shall Arise" by Fettke (Cantata Orchestra)

**Welcome & Announcements**  
This is the day the Lord has made!  
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

**Passing of the Peace**

**Opening Prayer**  
Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, you created us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they find rest in you. Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will. In your light may we see life clearly and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\*Opening Hymn** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" #278  
*Palm Procession for all children*

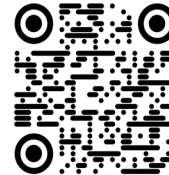
#### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

**Prayers of the People**

**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.

#### THANKSGIVING

**Moment of Gratitude and Generosity**  
*Want to give electronically? Please scan the code to give now! Thank you!*



**Offertory** "A Palm Sunday Calypso" by Mark Hayes  
(Chancel Choir & Orchestra)

#### **Prayer of Dedication**

Today, O God, we have turned to you in search of direction, attempting to open our eyes to your purpose, our ears to your Word, and our hearts to your presence. As we offer these gifts to you, we pray that you would deepen the practice of our faith and broaden the perspective of your love for all of humanity. And this we humbly pray in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

#### Cantata

*"Worthy is the Lamb" by Lloyd Larson*  
Directed by J. Michael Weirman

Given in memory of Jerry Lewis, by Jane Lewis and family.

Cantata Narrators: Donna Roesel & Mark Yenser

**Revered King:**  
*Worthy Is The Lamb!  
Blessed Is the King! Hosanna!*

**Rejected Messiah:**  
*At The Lamb's High Feast We Sing  
We Like Sheep Have Gone Astray  
On The Cross*

**Risen Savior:**  
*Glory To The Risen Lamb!  
Praise The Living King*

*Please hold any applause until the end of the Cantata.*

#### SENDING FORTH

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude** "He Shall Arise" (Cantata Orchestra)

**\*\*Communion will be available in the Chapel immediately following the service for those who wish to participate.**

*Flowers on the altar have been placed in honor  
Jim and Dawn Fox's 50th wedding anniversary on April 12.*

## Church Happenings

Please enjoy coffee hour in Fellowship Hall between services. Thank you Hannah Circle for hosting today!

**Chapel Bible Study** resumes tomorrow, April 14 at 7 p.m. for a 6-week study of the disciple Simon Peter, using the book Simon Peter, Flawed but Faithful Disciple by Adam Hamilton. Please join us for discussion of this inspiring book! Contact Marilyn Gallagher at (815) 485-3015 for more information.

**All Church Cleanup** will be Saturday, May 3 at 8:00 a.m. This cleanup is in preparation for our outdoor Sunday services. We are planning to do grounds clean up and hopefully some cleanup inside. We will be serving hot breakfast sandwiches with coffee, juice and pastries. Look for additional information soon!

**Contemporary Worship Service** We are proud to offer a much more relaxed experience of worship each Sunday evening at 5:00 p.m. Join us!

**Sunday Email** If you are not receiving a Sunday morning email for Wesley and wish to be added, please contact Pastor Wesley at wesley@umcnl.com. You'll receive an email each Sunday at 6:30 a.m. with the most current information related to happenings at UMCNL.

**Prayer Chain Ministry** Would you like to be a part of our Prayer Chain Ministry by becoming a prayer warrior? Email business@umcnl.com to let us know your desire to be a part of this wonderful group! Prayer changes things; we will never know the impact our prayers will have on other lives, but we will know when that time in prayer begins to change us.

**Congrats to our Grads!** UMCNL will honor our 2025 high school and post-secondary graduates (college, graduate school, trade school, military training, etc.) on Sunday, May 25. Please email or text the following to Jane Corradetti at (815) 258-8304 or jcorradetti1@comcast.net or submit to the church office by May 15:

1. Graduate's recent picture and name
2. Parent(s)' names
3. Name of the school from which the student has graduated
4. Future college, training, or career plans

## Get Involved

**Ruth Circle** will meet at 1:00 tomorrow, April 14 at Beverly Deptolla's home. Program by Janet Kuester, "Fourth Quarter of Your Life". We are hoping for a good turnout!

**Midwest Missions Trip** A one day field trip on Thursday, May 8th to Midwest Mission, Springfield, IL is being sponsored by the Missions Committee. Participants will leave that day at 8 a.m. from church, stop for dutch treat lunch at Pizza Ranch in Springfield, followed by tour of Midwest Mission at 1:00 p.m. See sign-up sheet in church Narthex. Last day to sign up is Wednesday April 23. Contact Sue Reyelts (815) 735-2621 with questions.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** Our group meets on the third Monday of the month. If you knit or crochet, come join us for fellowship and mission. Yarn and patterns are provided. For more information, contact Beverly Deptolla at (815) 514-6814.

**Men's Study Group** meets every Saturday at 7:00 a.m. in the lower level conference room and is led by Scott Creech. All men invited!

**Greeters Needed** We are looking for greeters on Sundays! Please contact Joyce Korista at (815) 485-6879 if you can help!

**Welcome Center Volunteers** are needed on Sundays! If you are interested and/or have any questions, please contact Amanda Fox at amandaseverson1281@gmail.com

**Friendship Group** Our next Friendship Group Luncheon will be April 17 at Aurelio's in Frankfort. The Sponsors are Greg & Pam Bump and Joyce Enos. All are invited 55+ to see you there. Sign up sheet is in the Narthex next to the name tags.

**The Comfort Makers** sewing group meets on various days throughout the year to make different projects for missions. They make comforters, backpacks and other items to be used throughout the world. You don't even have to know how to sew to join in the fellowship of this wonderful group of ladies. You can cut fabric or iron if sewing is not your forte. If you would like more information, please contact Judy McCune at jmcsews@sbcglobal.net

**Care Team** will meet one Tuesday every other month at 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Contact Debbie Speicher at damitdebbi@gmail.com to find out the date of the next meeting.

## Youth Updates

**Sunday School and Nursery will not meet on Easter Sunday. Children can experience our beautiful service with their families.**

**Youth Group** Join us! UMCNL will host a weekly youth program for 7-12 grade students every Wednesday from 7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. We would love for you to join us! Keep in touch via email and text by texting JOINUYM to 84576 or connect online with us at unitedmethodistchurchofn.flocknote.com

**JOY Camp 2025** Joy camp registration is now open at [Joycamp.org](http://Joycamp.org) JOY Camp 2025 will be held June 22-28 at beautiful Camp Reynoldswood in Dixon, Illinois. JOY camp is a weeklong overnight camp focused on delivering the message of God's love through fun, fellowship, nature, scripture, and worship. Incoming 5th graders - high school seniors are welcome to attend regardless of where they are in their faith journey. Contact Linda Haring about a scholarship to help pay for Joy Camp at lharing15@gmail.com

## Contact Us/Prayer Requests

Would you like to connect with one of our Pastors? Please see the contact information below or you can scan one of the codes below using your smartphone to directly set an appointment. If you have a prayer request, please scan the prayer request code.

**Pastor Mark:** Call/text: 815-587-3795; mark@umcnl.com  
**Pastor Wesley:** Call/text: 630-708-2470; wesley@umcnl.com

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