

Holy Week, Easter & Beyond at Santee UMC

Sunday, April 14 - Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday, also known as Passion Sunday. In the *Entrance with the Palms* we experience the joyous demonstration of loyalty to Jesus as he enters Jerusalem. We invite the children of the church to process into the sanctuary waving palms as a festive hymn is sung at both 8:15 & 10 AM. Palm Sunday can feel like a day of celebration, but there is no triumph without suffering, no crown without a cross, so be prepared to experience the whole story of Christ's Passion.

Sunday, April 14 - Following both services on Palm/Passion Sunday, join around tables in Sunshine Hall or grab a "to-go" order of Breakfast Burritos, hosted by our youth. Proceeds go to summer camp scholarships at Camp Cedar Glen.

April 15 & 17 - Anyone can participate in the Lenten conversations on Monday evenings at 6 PM or Wednesday mornings at 9 AM, and especially during Holy Week as we conclude our study in Philippians, "*Because of This I Rejoice*".

Thursday, April 18 - Maundy Thursday (6 PM) is the night Christians commemorate the supper Jesus shared with his disciples before his crucifixion, when Jesus washed the disciples' feet, and instituted the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. It's a service of confession and pardon, proclamation of the Word, foot/hand washing, the Lord's Supper, and stripping of the church.

Friday, April 19 - On Good Friday (6 PM) we take time to meditate on Jesus' crucifixion. The sanctuary is bare of all decorations except the cross, partially veiled. It is a time to reflect on Jesus' sacrifice and how we are called to emulate Christ.

Sunday, April 21 - Easter Sunday! It's time to celebrate the saving events of Jesus Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection, the most holy day of the Christian year. We proclaim and celebrate the whole of salvation history and Christ's saving work with baptism, song, and Alleluia's! Celebrate at Santee Lakes (6:30 AM), or at Santee UMC (8:15 & 10 AM). Children will enjoy an Easter Egg Hunt at 9:45 AM (see below).

Sunday, April 28 - The celebration continues as we are called to go out and be Easter People, sharing the Good News of Christ's salvation available to all, through word and deed. On IMPACT COMMUNITY SUNDAY we'll celebrate one hour of worship at 8:30 AM followed by service to the community with other Methodists in our area from 10-12 PM. Lunch will be provided at Foothills UMC at 12:30 PM. Look for more information to come.