

SERVING TODAY

Nursery: for infants - 3 years old
Joe & Sarah Harms

Greeters: Henry & Angie Wood family
Steve Landhuis, Susan Cowles

Sunday School: Donna Price, Angie Van Woerkom

Worship Team: Audrey Haverdink,
Anna Van Der Weide, Darin Reed,
Doug Reed, Kristi Van Der Weide

Power Point: Gabe Smith

Sound: Ryan Smith

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Wednesday: 5:45 pm Supper - \$1.50 per person
6:15 pm GEMS & Cadets, Classes
Thursday: 6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service
& Communion

NEXT SUNDAY

9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY

Nursery: Susan Cowles, Jessica Roozeboom

Greeters: Irv & Kathy Rozenboom
Scott Van Der Weide, Lee Harms

Worship Team: Audrey Haverdink, Connie Landhuis,
Ryan Smith, Kent Whitmore,
Shelley Dorman

Power Point: Gabe Smith

Sound: Joey Reed

Preparing for Easter

Examine your heart

The **palm branch** is a symbol of victory, triumph, peace,
and eternal life.

Your King is Coming!



Matthew 21:8-9

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and those followed shouted,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!”

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of
the Lord!”

“Hosanna in the highest!”

BETHANY REFORMED CHURCH

April 14, 2019

10:30 a.m.

Call to Worship

Glorifying God with Our Words

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Prayer

I Could Sing of Your Love Forever

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Children ages preschool through 6th grade
may be dismissed to Sunday School

Prayer

Glorifying God with Our Tithes

Glorifying God with Our Attention

Scripture – Matthew 21:1-17 p.1531

Message – *The King's Parade*

Prayer in Response to God's Word

Celebrating Our God

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna #217

Benediction

Continuing to Worship as We Go

Glory Be to the Father

VISITORS...

Welcome! We are glad you are here with us today and hope you will return. We pray that you are blessed by our time of worship together. Please fill out one of the friendship cards found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

WELCOME...

to Pastor Duane Laman who will be leading our worship service this morning.

JOIN US...

for the Maundy Thursday Service and Communion
this Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

SPECIAL OFFERING...

We will be celebrating Communion ***Thursday*** at the Maundy Thursday Service. At that time, we will also be collecting for the Deacons' Fund to assist families both within and outside the church with economic needs as a tangible way to spread the love of God to our community. A Communion envelope is in your offering envelope box. Thank you for your gifts.

SPRING CLEAN UP...

for the inside and outside of the church will be
Saturday, April 27 starting at 8:00 and ending around noon.

PULPIT SUPPLY...

April 21: Pastor Carl Boersma
April 28: Van Harden
May 5: Pastor Carl Boersma
May 12: Pastor Duane Laman
May 19: Pastor Carl Boersma
May 26: Sara Gregory

PROPERTY UPDATE...

Four trees will be removed in the next couple of weeks for better sight lines to the church.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE WANTS YOU!

If you are interested in planning, organizing and stewarding property maintenance and improvements, contact Lee Harms or Thomas Van Woerkom.

GEMS Sunday is April 28!

Please join us as we celebrate another great year. The girls and their teachers will be leading the congregation in song and sharing with the congregation photos from the year, as well as the teachers sharing briefly what their girls did in the classroom. A special offering will be taken during the last song to help the GEMS ministry continue. Thank you in advance for your support.

Easter is a celebration of new life in Christ and the promise of eternal life in heaven. Easter lilies and/or other flowers will be used to decorate the sanctuary Easter morning.

Many of the flowers used to decorate are in memory of a loved one. If you would like to contribute a flower in memory of your loved one you can:

1. Bring it on Tuesday, April 16 or Thursday, April 18 to the church office from hours 8:00 am – 3:00 pm or bring it Easter morning

AND

2. Please notify Betty in the church office by Thursday at 11:00 am and she will list your loved one's name in the bulletin.



"THE KING'S PARADE"

Matthew 21:1-17

Today we are here for the parade -- the King's parade, and I'd like to use 6 words that start with the letter "P" to help us get the picture.

FIRST, THIS WHOLE EVENT WAS "PROPHESED". In Zechariah 9:9 it says: "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, daughter of Jerusalem! See your King comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey..."

SECOND IS "PRICE." There was a price on his head which reveals the courage of Jesus. He knew He had come from God and was going to God.

THIRD IS "PLANNED." Jesus himself planned for events to happen. He even planned ahead for the donkey.

FOURTH IS "PURPOSE." Palm Sunday was when the Passover throngs of people were going into the city, so Jesus purposefully used this occasion to fulfill the prophecy and show himself to be our Passover Lamb. Whenever Jesus entered the city, He must have done so surrounded by lambs -- himself being the greatest of lambs -- the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. A critical question for us -- is He our Passover Lamb? Are we trusting Him as our personal Savior from sin?

FIFTH IS "PEACE." Jesus deliberately came riding on a donkey -- the symbol of peace.

SIXTH ARE THE "PEOPLE" IN THE PARADE. Two great crowds gathered -- the crowd which was accompanying Jesus from Bethany and the crowd which surged out of Jerusalem to see the man who could raise the dead.

THEN A CLOSER LOOK AT THE PEOPLE TO SEE WHERE WE FIT.

SIGHT SEEING PEOPLE were curious -- wanting to gaze at the latest sensation.

PEOPLE GREETING JESUS AS A CONQUEROR wanted an earthly King. He was far more, and they would reject Him.

PEOPLE WHO WERE REALLY SEARCHING believing there must be something more in life that will make it all worthwhile.

PEOPLE WHO WERE JESUS' LOYAL FOLLOWERS had confessed He was the Christ, the Son of the Living God who had the words of eternal life.

TO CONSIDER: If we don't become the convinced, we can be drawn away even to soon yell: "Crucify Him!" There is only one way to be sure that won't happen -- crown Him King of Kings and Lord of Lords in our lives.