

## Holy Week Resources & Events Join us April 5-12

In the Christian calendar, the week from Palm Sunday to Easter is the most significant for followers of Christ. With the Covid-19 precautions in effect this year, we are unable to host our usual gatherings through the week, so Grace is offering some alternative resources and events to help mark this special week!

**Palm Sunday Worship** – A Palm Sunday theme service will go up on the church website and YouTube Channel on Saturday.

**Daily Devotional Videos** – Each day Monday to Thursday, and Saturday a 10-minute video will highlight what was happening with Jesus on that day during holy week. You will find the videos on the church YouTube channel and a link will be provided on the front page of the church website each morning.

**Live Maundy Thursday Service** – Join pastor Peter's family live via Zoom for a special service of communion of songs, readings, and the Lord's Supper, at 6pm on Thursday April 9. You can prepare for communion in your home, by having some bread and juice ready for your household which then can then be taken at the same time during the online service. A Zoom link will be provided in the mid-week update in the congregational email.

**Good Friday Worship** – We're putting together a special video featuring music from previous Good Friday services along with a new Good Friday Message from the pastor.

**Live Early Easter Service** – Join Pastor Marilyn at 7am for an Easter Sunrise Service via Facebook Live. Search Facebook @Grace Memorial Baptist. Trouble finding it? Try refreshing the page, most icons look similar to this icon at the top left corner of the screen. It will also be posted later on the Grace Memorial Baptist Church Youtube channel.

**Easter Sunday Worship On-Line Celebration** – A special Easter Service will be recorded and posted to the church website which you can watch anytime. You can also join others in worship at 10:30am as we watch the service together via Zoom and have a chance greet one another on Easter Sunday. A Zoom link will be provided in the mid-week update in the congregational email.



Grace Memorial Baptist Church The Lord's Day ~ Palm Sunday April 5, 2020

Prelude Welcome Call to Worship: Matthew 21:9

## Songs of Praise and Worship

"Hosanna Praise is Rising"

"Your Name"

"King of My Heart"

Prayer

Scripture: Mark 11:1-11

Message: "Two Parades"

Rev. Peter Lohnes

Hymn #380 "Just a Closer Walk With Thee"

## Benediction

Welcome to Holy Week. On Palm Sunday we remember the day Jesus rode into Jerusalem to shouts of Hosanna! (Which means save us) It is the start of the most significant week in the Christian calendar. Very likely there were at that time, two very different parades happening in Jerusalem on that day. One as a show of power intended to strike shock and awe into the hearts of those who watched, and the other a proclamation of hope and peace designed to be a joyful celebration of God's kingdom. Which parade would you have been part of?



"Building a Community of Faith": "A Christ-Centred Mosaic" "Many Peoples – One Community"



**Special Project #1:** We are still taking up donations for a family of 5, who have 4 children. Their ages range from 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> to 18. They have no food allergies. You can drop off items inside the Northumberland street doors, and the door will be opened when you ring the bell. If you have fresh or frozen items, they will be put in the fridge/freezer. On April 14th, these items will be delivered. Thank you for your support!

**Special project #2:** Help us with this surprise! Currently we are at 22 so keep them coming! If you have any questions, call the office.

#### **NB Workers Emergency Income Benefit**

Benefit offered by the Government of New Brunswick, in partnership with the Canadian Red Cross – A one-time income benefit of \$900 is available for workers or self-employed people residing in New Brunswick who have lost their job due to the state of emergency. The benefit will help to bridge the gap between when a person lost their job or closed their business on or after March 15, 2020, to when the national benefit takes effect. Check the website, www2.gnb.ca, search for **NB Workers Emergency Income Benefit** to see if you qualify. If there is more than one adult in your family applying for this benefit, **each adult must submit their own** registration and application separately. **The benefit will end on April 30, 2020.** If you know of others who could benefit from this, please contact them.

Don't have an email address or Internet access? You can also apply by telephone, by speaking with a Canadian Red Cross agent at **1-800-863-6582 (from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., 7 days a week)**. The phones are very busy, so if you can do online, ask someone to help you, it's much faster.



Please pray for people within our congregation who have been effected by job loss or other issues concerning this pandemic. If there are programs you hear of that could help others, pass along the information. The more we share, the more we care for one another.

### Ways to Give

A few people have asked how to give their offerings while we are not worshipping in person. Here are few options.

- Pre-Authorized Debit You can set up an automatic withdrawal from your account to Grace. We have had this option for several years and a many people are using it. If you wish to start, contact the office and we can email you the forms to fill out and walk you through the process if you'd like.
- E-Transfer You can e-transfer to the church in the same way you might send other e-transfers. Send e-transfers to our church Treasurer, Jim Montieth, at jamesmonteith@rogers.com. (Corrected)
- Canada Helps Canada Helps is a registered charity that collects online donations for Canadian charities and then passes them on to the charity. You can go to canadahelps.org and search for Grace Memorial Baptist. You will find us listed as Grace Memorial United Baptist Church Inc. Then follow the instructions to make a donation.
- Drop-Off You can drop off an offering at the church building. Come to the Northumberland Street door during office hours, there will be a donation box in the entry. Ring the bell to enter and leave your envelope in the donation box.
- Thank you!

*Pre-authorized giving only	Week of March 29- April 4	Actual Giving	Amount Required
Current		\$2,825	\$5,846
Mission		\$365	\$1,000
Building		\$85	\$212

#### Happy Palm Sunday From CBAC!

"So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel", John 12:13.Today is the beginning of Holy Week. Reflect each day on the events around Christ's death and resurrection. We pray this will impact you in a new way, especially in the current condition of the world with this pandemic.

**Churches to pray for –** Hillsburn United Baptist Church, Granville Ferry, NS; Rev. Robert Elliot.

# ✤ Prayer Warriors ✤ Prayer Guide April 5 - 12

Please pray for people in hospital and/or at home:

**DECH:** Gregory Nickerson

 At Home: Margaret Pollock, Helen Currie, Heather Fletcher-Switzer, James Rankine, Faye Jeffery, Teddy & Claire Randall, Sheila Martin, Norman Johnson, Rose Marie & Paul Patterson, Maureen Arp, Georgie Boldon, Ruth Sherwin
 Shannex: Dorothy Wilson, Maureen Buckingham, Velma MacDonald
 Veterans' Health Unit: Helen White, Walter Currie
 Ste. Anne's Court: Enide Smith, Lawrence & Ruth Steeves
 Farraline Place: Phyllis Betts
 Nashwaak Villa: Glenna Robinson
 Windsor Court: Eileen Wallace, Dora Dunham

If you would like to send a card or gift to someone in the hospital, they are allowing cards and items to be dropped off to patients. Go to the front desk. It does need to be put in a sealed package (ziplock bag is fine) with the patients information.

#### **CBM Prayer Line**

For more information, you can catch up with CBM online. www.cbmin.org/prayerline/



**Prayer request from the Soucy's –** During these uncertain times may we be mindful of your presence each day! Thank you for the quiet space that we are experiencing due to imposed self-isolation. Praying in this shift, that we would be more in tune to hearing your voice, to practice being in your presence, and

to share the hope we have in you.

In Guatemala, we pray especially for people unable to meet their needs without access to employment. Help us to be creative using what you have given to us – time, resources, our presence – to provide for those lacking resources, and relationships. Thank you for the openness and ease that people have here in Guatemala to share the gospel and their faith. May the message of your Word be clear and meaningful for those who don't yet know you, and an encouragement to those who are already believers.

We pray for partner churches in Guatemala, who are all experiencing various levels of curfews, travel restrictions, and have limited resources for testing and treatments. We ask that your people in the local churches to be beacons of light and hope in their communities. Pray for leaders to be strong and wise as they lead countries, many with recent histories of civil war, human rights abuses, and autocratic governments. We who are sick to experience your healing touch. Pray also for families everywhere who are sad, lonely, discouraged and afraid. Help us to believe that regardless of the present situation, we have hope for the future. May the love we have for you and our neighbours be evidence of your kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.