

Order for the Public Worship of God

April 5, 2009 **Palm Sunday** 10:00 a.m.

Preparation for Worship/Prelude

Lighting of the Candles **Acolytes**

Welcome and Announcements

Entry Scripture for Palm Sunday: *Mark 11:1-11*

*Introit "He Is Lord" (Refrain Only) **#105**

*The Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn of Praise "Hallelujah! What a Savior" **#175**

Prayer of Confession (in Unison)

Almighty and most merciful God; We acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against Thee in thought, word, and deed; That we have not loved Thee with all our heart and soul, with all our mind and strength; And that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We beseech Thee, O God, to forgive what we have been, to help us to amend what we are, and of Thy mercy to direct what we shall be; So that we may henceforth walk in the way of Thy commandments, and do those things which are pleasing in Thy sight; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Individual Confessions (Pray Silently)

The Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri (Children may come forward as we sing) **#623**

A Special Time for Children

*Gospel Song "Praise Him! Praise Him!" **#106**

The Prayers of the People (At a time during the prayer you may call the names of people for whom you would like us to pray, and the congregation will respond with "Hear our prayer, O Lord.")

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory Sentence "...remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" *Acts 20:35 (NIV)*

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology **#625**

*The Prayer of Dedication

Special Music **Gene Dyke**

Scripture Reading

The Prayer for Illumination

Message **Rev. Don Reeves**

Invitation to Come to the Altar for Prayer or to Make Public Commitments

*Hymn of Consecration "Near the Cross" **#385**

Holy Communion (Elders serving today: Evelyn Price, Gary Dancy, Raymond Bay, Robert Haynes,)

*The Blessing **Pastor**

*The Benediction in Song (Congregation will please sing the following words to the tune Ode to Joy #1 in Hymnal. Words are written by Pastor Burrow)

May the Lord and God of mercy
Grant you peace upon your way,
Take with you a special blessing
Promised in his house today.
Make of you a strong example
Of the truth that sets us free,
And to all who know your presence
May your life a blessing be.

*Extinguishing the Candles **Acolytes**

*Postlude

Enter to Worship

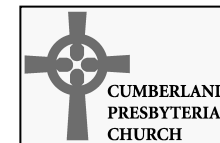
Leave to Serve

**All who are able please stand to honor God. (Feel free to stand or keep seated according to your own comfort needs.)*



Welcome to Worship...

Welcome to New Hope Church, a place for New Beginnings! Here is some helpful information as you join us in worship today:



- All who worship here are equal in the sight of God, regardless of race, age, gender, physical disability or religious affiliation.
- Communion, when celebrated, is open to all who profess Christ as Lord and Savior, whether affiliated with this church or not. Children take Communion as well, if parents approve.
- A nursery is available during the service; please see a greeter for directions. (This is for ages crib to 3 years.)
- Handicap-accessible restrooms are located off the Great Hall (foyer) and up the stairs in the Family Life Center/Gym.
- Please remember to sign the attendance folder at your pew so we will have a record of your visit with us today.
- Thank you for remembering to silence your cell phone during the service.
- No food or beverages in the sanctuary, please.
- If you would like a **DVD** of a service or other special event please call the church at 449-7020.
- **If you arrived as a visitor we hope that you leave as a friend and worship with us often!**

Members in Ministry...

...Today:

Acolytes: Adiana Rudge and Ashtyn Dancy

Offering: Ray Jones, Charlie Butler, Jimmy Reynolds, and Claude Thompson

Lock-Up: Royce Jackson

...Next Sunday:

Acolytes: Bryce and Breia DeVries

Offering: Dan Hiveley, Sr., Bob Price, Scott Greer and Don O'Neal

Lock-Up: Robert & Karen Haynes

Lectionary

April 5, 2009 – Palm/Passion Sunday (color: purple)

Liturgy of the Palms - Mark 11:1-11; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29. *Liturgy of the Passion* - Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philipians 2:5-11; Mark 14:1-15:47 or Mark 15:1-39 (40-47).

Our Prayer Requests

"The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous person availeth much." - James 5:16

(For additions to or deletions from this list, or to place information in this bulletin, please call 449-7020 and leave a message.)

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| -The Lost | -Cheyenne White |
| -Natalie Garrett (Dawn's sister) | -Mark Shrum (Dana's father) |
| -Hiram & Venelee Smith | -BJ Elledge (stroke) |
| -Anne Johnson | -Jerry Ethridge |
| -Gerald Vantrease | -Matthew Neal (college) |
| -Anne Farmer | -Jimmy Patterson |
| -Henry Maynard | -Kim Brown |
| -Billy Robinson | -Gary King |
| -Frances Ballard (Anna King's sister) | -Steve Falcon |
| -Wayne Horton | -Paul Dulaney |
| -Mary Dickson | -Jerry Staggs |
| -Lori Agee | -Gene Dyke's brother |
| -Dora Crawford | -Carolyn Thompson |
| -Carolyn Jackson | -Joyce Loveless |
| -Those in the military | -Margaret Frazier |
| -Coreen Preston (homebound) | -Myrtle Reese |
| -Harry Anderson | -Dewayne Horton |
| -Vivian Smrtic | -Rhonda Bush's mother |
| | -Donnie Bentley |

Announcements

Easter is next Sunday. We will have breakfast at 8:30 (Please bring stuff; there will be no Sunday school). There will be one service, with Communion, at the regular time of 10:00.

Please make an effort to join us on this holiest day in the Christian year. **He is risen! He is risen indeed!**

- ☑ All men in the church are invited to a new **Men's Breakfast and Bible Study**, this Wednesday morning at 6:00 – 7:00.
- ☑ **Prayer meeting Wednesday** in sanctuary at 7:00. After 30 minutes of devotion and prayer we will go over the Tenebrae service to make sure all bases are covered and that there will be no distractions to the movement of the spirit in the 7:30 Friday service of Tenebrae.
- ☑ There will be a **Good Friday Tenebrae Service** (service of darkness) on **April 10 at 7:00**. The service will lead to complete darkness as we remember the darkness that hovered over the world as Jesus died upon the cross. The service will include Holy Communion.

- ☑ **Sunday, April 19, the Bethel College Renaissance Choir** will be at New Hope at 5:30 for a performance you will not want to miss. *Renaissance*, Bethel's upbeat, entertaining "performance troupe" uses choirs, ensembles and soloists to showcase the talents of Bethel student. *Renaissance*, referred to as the Bethel College Performing Arts Experience, encompasses vocal talent, instrumental talent and dramatic talent to thrill audiences near and far. There will be approximately 50 singers in the group, and we need your help because we will provide a meal for them after the performance.

- ☑ A group interested in **weight control** is meeting **Fridays at 6:30 PM** in the office annex. The focus of the group is weight control. No weigh-ins, no diet plans, just getting together to share experiences, interesting recipes, successes and failures combined with a strong emphasis on prayer. If you are interested see **Karen Scott** or email her at scott05@comcast.net or 615-504-6226 for more info.

- ☑ A group from New Hope plans to attend a half-day **Stephen Ministry workshop** on **Sat. May 2, 2009** in Nashville from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00. This is an introductory session to Stephen Ministries with no obligation to participate. A van will pick everyone up at the church to depart around 7:45 a.m. We welcome anyone that is interested to learn more about Stephen Ministries to attend. There is no fee to attend the workshop. Please call **Sandra Dancy** at 443-3884 to register. New Hope volunteers, Robbie Haynes and others will provide child care services for the day of May 2 at the church.

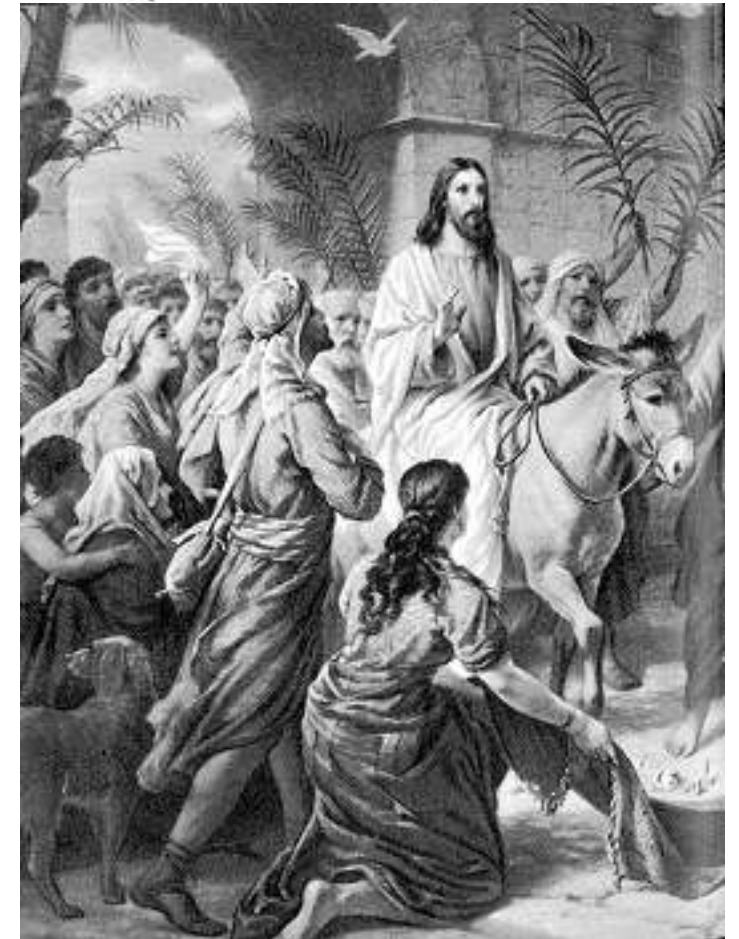
IN MEMORIAM

Mary Greer Oliver

May 19, 1920 – April 1, 2009

"I am the resurrection and the life" - John 11:25

Guest Speaker Today... Rev. Don Reeves will bring our message today. He is Professor of Philosophy and Comparative Religions at Northeast Alabama Community College. He was pastor here during his seminary years. He is well known in Northeast Alabama and beyond for his weekly "Letters to the Lord" in the Scottsboro, Al. newspaper, and as former pastor of the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Scottsboro. Don's wife Jene is with him today.



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