

CHAPEL NEWSLETTER APRIL 2023

BLESSED ARE YOU WHO COME IN THE NAME OF THE LORD - APRIL 2 IS PALM SUNDAY



**Join us for Palm Sunday worship at 10:30 am
In person at the chapel or online via Zoom.
We will gather in the lobby and then enter the
sanctuary together waving our palms and
singing our opening hymn. The Lord's Supper will
be celebrated as we prepare for Holy Week.**

Click on the Zoom link below at 10:30 am (PST)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87599200291?pwd=TzZoSFVGYWhLWnlkSDdJK2IKaIF1Zz09>



We welcome Jetta and Ruth to the praise team as they join Marilyn and Tom to make a joyful noise to the Lord! God has blessed us with these talented musicians who share their gift of music with us. Spirit-inspired worship is happening here at the chapel every Sunday. Come and See and Hear and Belong!



Here are the suggested Gospel readings for Holy Week

Monday of Holy Week - John 12:1-11

Tuesday of Holy Week - John 12:20-36

Wednesday of Holy Week - John 13:21-32

Maundy Thursday - John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Bible study at 6:30 pm - ***Meeting Jesus at the Table***

Soup Supper begins at 6 pm or join the study online.

Good Friday - John 18:1-19:42 - noontime prayer

6 - 7 pm join us in the chapel for contemplative prayer

The Great Vigil of Easter Saturday

Sunday April 9 Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Day

Bring your flowers to the chapel at 10 am as we flower the cross as a token of our love for what God has done for us in Jesus Christ.

Here is a photo of last year's cross.



Chapel by the Sea is a Matthew 25 church meaning we have taken up the challenge to build congregational vitality as a first step to tackle other issues of hunger, poverty and racism



MATTHEW 25

Last month we answered God's call to begin a new ministry with One Parish One Prisoner (OPOP). This program is sponsored by Underground Ministries. (www.undergroundministries.org/chapelbythesea) On April 2 the chapel team will be commissioned.

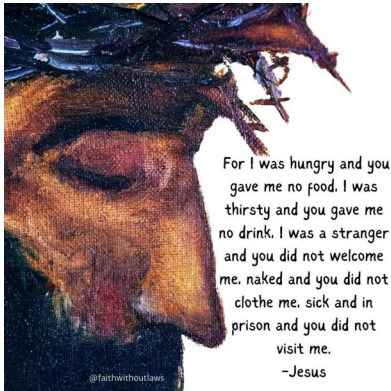
CONVENER	<i>Your Parish Team</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sends Meeting Links and Reminders• Coordinates Modules and Resources within team• Mails printed module to Releasing Friend	
FACILITATOR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Moderates Team Meetings (See: Meeting Format)• Notes Action Items' progress and distribution• Files REPORT	
BARD	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coordinates Regular Updates to Congregation, according to whatever current/new avenues exist• Link/Loop/Tag Underground Ministries	
PASTORAL CARE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hold team to Covenant and Welcoming Prayer• Pastor, Pray, Preach• Tap Church Leadership• Host Commissioning / Blessing at service	

Chapel Team Members: **Tamae Moriyasu**, convener.
Lee Marriott, facilitator, **Myra Rintamaki**, bard,
Bill Duncanson, **Stephen and Kathy Northcutt**,
Pastoral Care: **Pastor Linda**

We meet monthly. Next team meeting is April 5 at 9 am. Our purpose is to be open to new relationships of embrace and trust between the incarcerated and the communities to which they return for our mutual transformation and resurrection.

We will keep you updated regularly on our progress forward.

Sincerely,
Myra Rintamaki
OPOP Bard



For I was hungry and you
gave me no food. I was
thirsty and you gave me
no drink. I was a stranger
and you did not welcome
me. naked and you did not
clothe me. sick and in
prison and you did not
visit me.
-Jesus

PRAYERS

Thoughts, asks, confessions, intercessions, intentions, and the thanksgivings we give to God in Jesus' name help us discern our way forward as we welcome the Spirit's comfort and guidance.

In the interest of confidentiality a prayer list is not attached.

You may add prayers to our prayer board or email requests and a new updated prayer list will be provided to those who ask.

After another school shooting, Terri Ott wrote a prayer of lament. Consider ways you might take action by writing a letter to lawmakers, signing a petition, and making your voice heard.

How long, O Lord?

How long must we bear the pain of yet another mass shooting?

How long must we lament the killing of school children?

How long must guns be exalted over the lives they take?

How long must politicians debate common-sense gun laws
or this uncommon American problem?

Righteous God, we cannot take this anymore. We stand defiant.
We protest in rage.

We are sick over our school children hiding beneath their desks,
teachers sacrificing their lives to protect, our schools becoming
fortresses to keep the evil out.

Give light to our eyes, Holy One, or we will continue to sleep
the sleep of this death. Help us find a path to end this madness.
Exorcise us of our addiction to guns. Soften the hearts of those
who stand in the way of good solutions.

Hold those who grieve and groan, God.

Steady our PCA siblings of Covenant Presbyterian
in the aftermath of this shooting. Support the families, the teachers,
and the administrators as they walk this road, broken and traumatized.

Remind them that nothing can separate them from your love.

How long, O Lord? Do not hide your face from us.

Intercede in this madness.

Change us and restore us to your path of peace.

Amen.

In Christ's ministry,

Pastor Linda

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