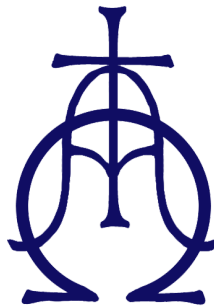


CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH XENIA

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Sixth Sunday of Lent
Palm and Passion Sunday



We are back in church!
Please call the church office (937-372-1594) to let us know
so that we can keep track of numbers.

**We will continue to stream live to Facebook
during our in person worship in the
sanctuary.**

[Link to Facebook page](#)

A message from Rev. Jennifer

**Holy Week is upon us, and big changes as well. We will
return to in-person worship for the foreseeable future (assuming
COVID rates don't go up again),
have communion (full communion but wafer only--and it will be
brought to you)**

have Holy Humming instead of singing
will see about coffee hour--but outside, and carefully set up so that
it will be safe

Friends, we'll get there! This will be a slow unfolding back to
normalcy, just the way things slowly unfold in the spring.

For those of you not ready to return, we will continue to stream to
Facebook and to provide a mailed newsletter.

However you observe Holy Week and Easter, I hope that you will
ponder the images that are so familiar, and yet so hard to
understand. Jesus is proclaimed a king--but instead of a motorcade
with security detail, he rolls into town in a used car with the
windows down. Instead of kicking out the bad guys, Jesus ends up
being put to death--and the only person who recognizes his true
identity is one of the "bad guy" detail, a Roman centurion at the
place of crucifixion.

It's an upside-down world, and maybe it fits our upside-down time.

Wherever you are and whatever you do, I hope that you will be
aware of the love that comes in through the broken places and the
cracks in the walls--and in the lonely and disorienting places and
times of COVID-19.

Blessings to you in this season,

Jennifer+

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE
In-person and live on Facebook
Let the office know

March 28 Palm&Passion Sunday Two services: 9.00 and 10.30
April 1 Maundy Thursday 6.00 pm
April 2 Good Friday 7.00 pm
April 3 Holy Saturday 12.00 pm noon
April 4 Easter Sunday Two services: 9:00 and 10.30

We will continue to require masks and distance.
Please let Brad, Becky or Rev Jennifer know if you are planning to come
in person!

MANY THANKS

to our Vestry members and lay leaders for their service to the church and to God these many years:

Pam Feinour
Karen Ingraham
Mark Cummings
Doug Pultz, Treasurer
Jim Goins, Junior Warden
Barbara Bonham, Senior Warden

YOU ARE A BLESSING!

Easter Flowers

A message from Becky:

Covid has played havoc with our flower orders but we'll try to make this work! Flowerama will reserve Easter flowers for us and these will be available to those who want them. As of today, we are planning on in-church worship starting Palm Sunday and going forth through Holy Week, at least. We are ordering the same number and types of flowers as last year:

9 lilies

12 tulips

13 daffodils

All are \$9.50. If you want to order, please let me know the number and what you are ordering by March 22 if possible. First come, first serve. If you have any questions, please call me at 937-372-1594.

Becky

Last meeting of the Series LENTEN OFFERING: Visual Bible Study

**Lenten Series *Scripture through Pictures:*
This and every Wednesday in Lent at 8.30 pm
*by Zoom/Facebook***

March 24 we will be studying Lamentations Ch 1. If you can, read the scripture ahead of time--but even if you don't read the chapter please come anyway!

We'll meet by Zoom--click the "Lenten Bible Study" button below to join us. The Facebook button above will take you to the live stream.

Lenten Bible Study

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**March 21, 2021
Sixth Sunday of Lent
Fourth Sunday**

**Preacher and Celebrant: Reverend Jennifer
Scripture Readings for March 28**

Mark 11:1-11; 14:1-15:47

Psalm 118:1-2; 19-29

Psalm 31:9:16

Isaiah 50:4-9A

Phillipians 2:5-11

*you can find copies of the scripture on our weekly devotional
at the bottom of this note*

**Christ Church Clothes Etc. Outreach:
Clothes for Children in Foster Care**

Clothes, Etc. is continuing outreach to the community--community members can call for an appointment to come and find clothing. A second outreach is also emerging: serving social workers and children who have been placed in foster care. Clothes Etc. is putting together packets of clothing by gender and size--underwear, socks, pants and shirt--and then inviting social workers to make appointments to get packets for the children they serve. If you would like to help, see below...

Older girls: sizes 12-18

Jeans/pants

Shirts/tops

Older boys: sizes 12-18

Jeans/pants

Long sleeved warm shirts

Socks
Sweat shirts
Athletic bras
Coats
Hats
Gloves
New underwear/panties (all other clothes can be used)

Socks
Sweat shirts
Cotton tshirts
Coats
Hats
Gloves
New underwear (all other clothes can be used)

Hygiene Items

Toothbrush
Toothpaste
Deodorant
hairbrush

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Last Week for On-line Pledges and Tithes

NOTE: The pledge button will be discontinued at the end of March.

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Click on the button below if you'd like to give your pledge via the Diocese of Southern Ohio (this is set up especially for churches like ours).

You can also mail or deliver your pledge to Becky at Nickell House,
68 E. Church Street, Xenia, Ohio 45385.

Give pledge online

++Parish Prayer List++

Please contact church office to update or add names

Prayers for your daily devotions

Healing

Ruth, Amelia, Cynda, Heather, Diana and Peter, and for all who suffer because of COVID-19.

In God's Nearer Presence

Rick Feinour

We pray for comfort and healing for those who grieve.

Pam Feinour and the Feinour family

On-going prayer list.

If a name has been removed from the list that you would like to see here, please let Rev. Jennifer or Becky know.

Barbara, Holly, Madysun, John G, Rev John T, Roxanne, Ken, Lamar, Jess and Tim, Greg, David E, Deb, Heidi

++Previous Sermons++

March 21, 2021

Click below...

Rev. Stephen Cuff sermon, March 21

++Christian Formation++

***Weekly Devotional**

Our readings this week include exploration of hunger--spiritual and physical hunger. Suzanne Guthrie's weekly devotional is found at the button below. At the top left hand corner you will find the readings of the week.

Here is the link for the week's readings as well as the devotional **Edge of the Enclosure**

Weekly Devotional

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God's blessing be with us,
Christ's peace be with us,
the Spirit's outpouring be with us,
now and always. Amen.++

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