

Holy Week & Easter Worship



During the holy season of Lent this year, our theme will be **"Bread For the Journey"** and we will be focusing on "bread" in several ways:

Midweek Worship on Wednesday evenings begins with a soup-&-bread supper at 6:30 pm, followed by worship at 7:30 using the sung "Holden Evening Prayer" liturgy. Pastor Al's meditations will be on Old Testament texts that show how God provided his people with "bread" for their bodies, souls, and spirits... Sometimes literally, sometimes spiritually.

March 14 – Youth Sunday is always a memorable day at SOC. This year, the focus is on the Prodigal Son, who learned what hunger is, and who came home again to the Father's house and table. (NOTE: Also the day for switching to Daylight Savings Time)

March 28 – Palm/Passion Sunday We begin the 9:00 am service with Blessing of Palms and a processional led by the children, then continue with a dramatic reading of the Passion from the Gospel of Luke.

There will be no 6:00 pm service, but instead we will have a complete celebration of the **Passover Meal**, the traditional Jewish festival of unleavened bread that Jesus and his disciples were celebrating at the Last Supper. Traditional foods will be served in the Fellowship Hall, and the whole family is welcome. Don't miss it.



April 1 – Maundy Thursday A dramatization of the breaking of the bread in the Upper Room, including Holy Communion and the stripping the altar at 7:30 pm. (No soup supper)

April 2 – Good Friday: "Tenebrae", the Service of Darkness with a focus on the Cross, at 7:30 pm. (No soup supper)

April 12—Easter Sunday, three Holy Communion services, at 7:00 am, 9:00 am, and 6:00 pm. Easter breakfast will be served by the Men's Group between services from 7:30-8:30 am. An Easter egg hunt for the children follows coffee hour at 10:45, in lieu of Sunday School

"Death has been swallowed up in victory! Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O grave, is your sting? But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!" – I Corinthians 15:54-57