

HOLY WEEK AT A GLANCE

April 14 - Palm Sunday/Family Sunday*

8:15 am - Chapel Worship

9:00 am - Contemporary Worship

10:15 am - Traditional Worship

11:45 am - Easter Egg Hunt

April 18 - Maundy Thursday

6:00 pm - Dinner in DePhillips Hall

7:30 pm - Worship Service in the Sanctuary

8:30 to 9:30 pm - Prayer Stations in the Chapel

April 19 - Good Friday

10:00 am to 1:00 pm - Prayer Stations in
the Chapel

1:00 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel

2:00 to 5:30 pm - Prayer Stations in the Chapel

8:00 pm - Service of Tenebrae in the Sanctuary

April 20 - Holy Saturday

6:00 pm - Contemporary Worship in
DePhillips Hall

April 21 - Easter Sunday

8:45 and 11:15 am - Worship Service with
Communion in the Sanctuary



* Pre-K to 7th grade children are invited to join the special Palm Sunday procession at the 9:00 am and 10:15 am services. Please arrive 15 minutes before the start of the service to receive your palms.

Is This Your First Time Visiting West Side?

Welcome! We're so glad you're here. We look forward to helping you connect with others, grow more deeply in your faith and enrich your own life by serving others. Wherever you are on life's journey, there's a place for you at West Side.

Please stop by the visitor table located just inside the front doors, fill out a Let's Connect card and pick up a visitor bag. And please stay after the service to enjoy coffee/tea and refreshments and meet the pastors and members.

Have a question? Our staff is here to help:

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Lent/Easter Campaign Update

The deadline to raise \$71,000 by Easter Sunday to support those in our community who cannot afford treatment for mental illness is two weeks away...and we have quite a ways to go! So far, 60 people have donated a total of \$10,154. Can we count on your support for this important initiative? \$46,000 (\$1,000 x **40** days of Lent + **6** Sundays or "Little Easters" = **\$46,000**) will go to West Bergen Mental Healthcare, which provides care for clients regardless of their ability to pay, and \$25,000 will go to our mission partners who minister to the vulnerable. To give today, please use a pew envelope or visit westside.org. No amount is too small to contribute!

Palm Sunday Procession

April 14 is Palm Sunday, which means Pre-K to 7th grade children are invited to join the special Palm Sunday procession at the 9:00 am and 10:15 am services. To participate in this annual tradition, please arrive 15 minutes before the start of the service to receive your palms. April 14 is also Family Sunday, so Pre-K through 1st grade children will be dismissed to their small groups; all other children and youth will remain in worship.

Easter Egg Hunt

Bring the kids (up to third grade) to hunt for eggs and take pictures with the Easter Bunny on Palm Sunday, **April 14**. The hunt will begin at 11:45 am on the church



plaza, where children will be directed to an area appropriate for their age. Don't forget to bring a basket!

Third Thursday on Wednesday

Due to Maundy Thursday falling on the third Thursday of the month, the guys are getting together on Wednesday, **April 17** at the Ridgewood Country Club at 7:30 pm, hosted by Larry Noel. (Many thanks, Larry!) If you would like to join the fun, please RSVP to Anne Lee (alee@westside.org) by April 12. Note: No jeans. Collared shirt required. Complimentary valet parking.

Maundy Thursday Dinner and Worship

You're invited to share a Maundy Thursday meal with your West Side family at 6:00 pm on **April 18**. Steven Kopf will continue the long-standing family tradition of preparing lamb stew for the congregation. A vegetarian option and a child-friendly alternative will be available too. Cost: \$5 per person. Dinner will conclude in time for the 7:30 pm worship service, for which childcare will be available. Please RSVP to Pastor Penny (phogan@westside.org).

Lent Prayer Stations

Please take time to visit the Prayer Stations in the Pulsifer Chapel this Lenten season. They will be staffed by the Deacons from 8:30 to 9:30 pm on Maundy Thursday, **April 18**, and on Good Friday, **April 19**, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm and 2:00 to 5:30 pm. Go through the interactive stations at your own pace, remembering the Passion narrative, reflecting on its connection to your life and engaging in experiential prayer.



Women's Retreat

Block out the dates—**April 26 to April 28**—for the Women's Retreat at Johnsonburg. Join women of all ages for a weekend of reflection, rejuvenation and recreation. The theme: Resilience for the Fearfully and Wonderfully Made, based on Jeremiah 29:11 and Matthew 11:28-30. For details and to register, visit www.campjburg.org. Several West Side women have already signed up.

New Sermon Series

Everything happens for a reason. God helps those who help themselves. God won't give you more than you can handle. They're simple phrases that sound Christian and capture some element of truth. But they also miss the point in some very important ways...and they aren't in the Bible! Join us every Sunday from **May 5 through June 2** for our Half Truths Sermon Series. We'll also be offering small groups...stay tuned for details.

TODAY AT WEST SIDE

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| 8:00 am—Little Lambs Child Care - Room 202 | 10:15 am—Sunday School - Rooms 206, 306, 311, 312 and Serenity Room |
| 8:15 am— Chapel Worship - Chapel | |
| 9:00 am— Contemporary Worship - DePhillips Hall | 11:15 am—Lenten Small Group - Chapel |
| 9:00 am—Sunday School - Rooms 206, 306, 311, 312 and Serenity Room | 11:15 am—Prayer Circle - Chapel |
| 9:00 am—Lenten Small Group - Conference Room | 11:30 am—Health Ministry Reimagination Meeting - Conference Room |
| 9:15 am—Lenten Small Group - Chapel | 4:30 pm—New Member Class - Chapel, West Side Room |
| 9:45 am—Centering Prayer - West Side Room | 6:00 pm—FOCUS - Friends to Friends Community Church |
| 10:00 am—Lenten Small Group - West Side Room | 6:00 pm—Music Ministry Task Force - Conference Room |
| 10:15 am— Traditional Worship - Sanctuary | 7:00 pm—High School BARN - Barn |

COMING UP AT WEST SIDE

- April 13 - Salvation Army Band Concert** in the Sanctuary at 7:30 pm
- April 14 - Palm Sunday Procession** at 9:00 am and 10:15 am services
- April 14 - Easter Egg Hunt** starting on the Plaza at 11:45 am
- April 17 - Third Thursday Men's Group** at the Ridgewood Country Club at 7:30 pm
- April 18 - Maundy Thursday Dinner** in DePhillips Hall at 6:00 pm
- April 18 - Maundy Thursday Worship** in the Sanctuary at 7:30 pm
- April 19 - Good Friday Worship** in the Chapel at 1:00 pm and the Sanctuary at 8:00 pm
- April 20 - Holy Saturday Worship** in DePhillips Hall at 6:00 pm
- April 21 - Easter Sunday Worship** in the Sanctuary at 8:45 am and 11:15 am
- April 28 - Healing and Wholeness Service** at 8:15 am, 9:00 am and 10:15 am
- May 1 - Interfaith Holocaust Memorial Service** in the Sanctuary at 7:30 pm
- May 3 - First Friday Women's Group** at Carol Wilkenson's Home at 7:00 pm