

# THE HERALD

April 2025

Beloved,

We have entered the season of Lent, preparing for Easter and the resurrection miracle. We are wandering through the wilderness, seeking God's wisdom, Christ's light, and the Spirit's nourishment. As the Psalmist reminds us, "even though [we] walk through the shadow of the valley of death, [we] will fear no evil, for you are with [us]..." Though the world is chaotic and full of uncertainty, we know this will not persist. God's grace will shine through and guide us to greener pastures.

We have some fun events going on this month! Our egg hunt will be on April 12th, the day before Palm Sunday. On Palm Sunday, we will potluck together after worship and then will have an egg-dyeing event. For details of those events, please see the articles later in the newsletter.

This month, I am meditating on the empty tomb. I imagine what it must have been like for those women walking to Jesus' tomb, their grief mixed with empathy as they seek to care for the body despite their sorrow. What emotions would have run through them upon seeing that empty tomb? After it was confirmed that nothing nefarious had happened, what possibilities opened up? What does the empty tomb mean for you? In the spaces where you expect death, where do you turn instead? What life is breathed into the empty spaces in your life? I invite you to consider these things with me as we come to Easter.

Blessings of rest and renewal this Eastertide!

Pastor Erica

## MARCH BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

04 – Linda Clark  
09 – Melinda Brage  
14 – Adriana Miller  
22 – Ron Miller  
27 – Sydney Miller  
30 – Robert Hill



## APRIL BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

06 – Wyatt Kendle  
07 – Leanne Miller  
16 – Lil Jurgena  
16 – Duane Kennedy  
24 – Greg Mason

## APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

13 – Robyn & Greg Mason  
27 – Karen & Lew Sieber



## PALM SUNDAY POTLUCK & UKRAINIAN EGG DECORATING

Join us for a special Palm Sunday celebration at Heritage Presbyterian Church! Following worship on **Sunday, April 13, 2025**, we invite you to stay for a **potluck lunch**, where we'll share a meal and enjoy fellowship together. Please bring a dish to share, and freewill donations will be accepted to support Worship & Music Ministries.

After lunch, at approximately **12:30 PM**, the creativity begins with **Ukrainian Egg Decorating!** Experience the beautiful tradition of Pysanky, a unique and intricate form of egg decoration. No experience is needed, and all supplies will be provided.

There are two options to participate:

- **Traditional Ukrainian Egg Decorating** – \$10 per egg
- **Simple Dye/Coloring for Kids** – \$2 per egg

This is a wonderful opportunity for all ages to engage in a meaningful tradition, create something beautiful, and celebrate the season together. We hope you'll join us for this special day of community, creativity, and fun!

For more information, please contact **any member of the worship team**.

## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES

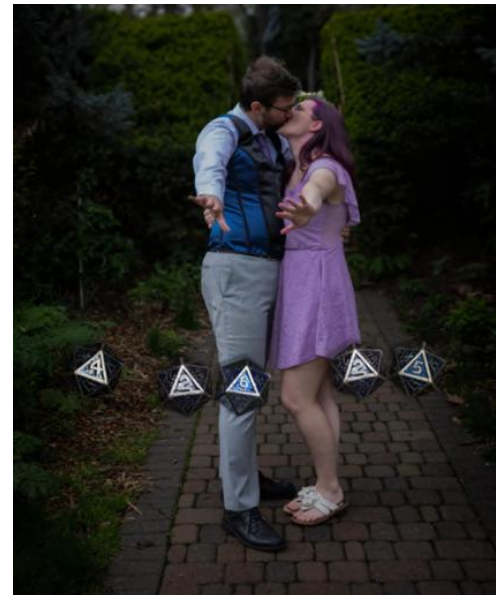
April 13<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday  
Worship at 10:30 AM



April 17<sup>th</sup> – Maundy Thursday  
Worship with communion at 6:30 PM



April 20<sup>th</sup> – Easter Sunday  
Worship with communion at 10:30 AM



Let us celebrate the wedding and marriage of Belle and Matthew! We offer up our blessings and our prayers to their union and seek to nurture them in this new stage of their lives.

# APRIL 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	31	1 10:00 AM Circle	2 5:30 PM Choir	3 <i>Boy Scouts</i>	4 10:00 AM Al-Anon  <i>Boy Scouts</i>	5 DUCs lock-in
6 9:30 AM Sunday School  10:30 AM Worship	7 <i>Girl Scouts</i> 20306	8 City Primary Election	9 5:30 PM Choir	10 <i>Boy Scouts</i>	11 10:00 AM Al-Anon  <i>Boy Scouts</i>	12 3:00 PM Easter Egg Hunt
13 9:30 AM Sunday School  10:30 AM Worship  Potluck/Egg Decorating	14	15	16 5:30 PM Choir	17 6:30 – Maundy Thursday worship w/communion  <i>Boy Scouts</i>	18 10:00 AM Al-Anon  <i>Boy Scouts</i>	19
20 9:30 AM Sunday School  10:30 AM Worship	21 <i>Girl Scouts</i> 20306	22	23 5:30 PM Choir	24 <i>Boy Scouts</i>	25 10:00 AM Al-Anon  <i>Wedding</i> <i>rehearsal</i>	26 <i>Belle &amp;</i> <i>Matthew's</i> <i>Wedding</i>
27 9:30 AM Sunday School  10:30 AM Worship	28	29	30 5:30 PM Choir	1 <i>Boy Scouts</i>	2 10:00 AM Al-Anon  <i>Boy Scouts</i>	3

Please refer to the online calendar for updated/changed events.



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**DEADLINE FOR THE  
NEXT HERALD**

**April 29, 2025**

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date may not be included!