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SUPER BOWL PARTY, 2024

P.A.L.M.

A REFLECTION FOR PASSION WEEK



PASTOR TIM MORGAN

AS WE APPROACH HOLY Week, a special week that begins with Palm Sunday, we're invited to explore its significance through an acronym that spells P.A.L.M. **Praise, Anticipate, Live, and Move.** Let's discover how it can inspire us to live with renewed purpose and passion.

Praise:
Palm Sunday, the first day of Passion Week, is a day of jubilation and celebration. We reflect on Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, where the crowd gives radical praise directly to Him. This outpouring reminds us of Jesus' profound impact as God with us and calls each one of us to pause and offer our own form of praise to God by in some way acknowledging His greatness and sovereignty in our lives.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! Hosanna in the highest!
Mark 11:9-10

Anticipate:
This special season is full of hope, encouragement and excitement. As Jesus made His way into Jerusalem, He knew His purpose was to fulfill the prophetic words spoken about Him. The atmosphere was charged with expectation, mirroring the eagerness we can cultivate in our own lives. It's healthy to look forward to the extraordinary moments God has in store for us and trust that his plans are perfect.

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and



victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. Zechariah 9:9

Live:

We can celebrate the vibrancy and richness of life often while remembering the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem. This was a lively event, filled with joy and enthusiasm. Can we live fully in the present moment, appreciating the beauty and wonder of our surroundings? We are all able to embrace

life with passion and purpose, seeking opportunities to make a positive impact on the world around us.

For in Him we live and move and have our being. Acts 17:28

Move:

Let's fill our calendar with times of movement and action. Jesus didn't merely arrive in Jerusalem; He healed hearts and transformed lives. He challenged the status quo. This

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▼ CAROLYN, CIARA & JAZMYN AT LADIES PAINT & BRUNCH



inspires us to consider how we, too, can make a positive impact in our communities. We are agents of blessing, welcoming others with our kindness, compassion, and unwavering faith.

And I will put My Spirit in you and move you to follow My decrees and be careful to keep my laws. Ezekiel 36:27

Final Thoughts:

As we journey through Passion Week, let's embrace the spirit of praise, anticipation, vibrant living, and movement. May this week be a catalyst for our spiritual growth and renewal, inspiring us to live with purpose and passion, reflecting the light of Christ in all that we do. ■

MARCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 Ladies Book Club
3 Church	4	5 Mens' Bible Study	6 TRIBE	7 Celebrate Recovery	8	9
10 Church	11	12 Mens' Bible Study	13 TRIBE	14 Celebrate Recovery	15	16
17 Church	18	19 Mens' Bible Study Ladies Gathering	20 TRIBE	21 Celebrate Recovery	22	23
31 Easter Church 24 Palm Sunday Church	25	26 Mens' Bible Study	27 TRIBE	28 Celebrate Recovery	29 Good Friday	30

Do you want to be baptized on Easter? Talk to one of our pastors!

Passion Week at Coquille Foursquare:

March 24: Palm Sunday, Pancake Breakfast at 9:00 AM, Church Service at 10:30 AM

March 29: Good Friday, Stations of the Cross in Coquille

March 31: Easter Sunday, Water Baptisms

Ladies Book Club: Saturday, March 2, 11 AM at Kaffe 101 in Coos Bay. We are reading *Tuesdays with Morrie* by Mitch Albom.

For more details, see Kimberly Moore.

Spring Brings Life Ladies Gathering: Tuesday, March 19, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

For more details, see Mary Kay Duke

Church Service: Every Sunday Morning at 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary.

Mens' Bible Study: Every Tuesday Morning at 6:30 AM in the Sanctuary.

For more details, see Pastor Sam Flaherty.

TRIBE: Jr. High and High School Group, every Wednesday Evening from 6:30 - 8:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

For more details, see Pastor Victoria Flaherty.

Celebrate Recovery: Every Thursday Evening at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

For more details, see Bill Howell.

WATER BAPTISM

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024



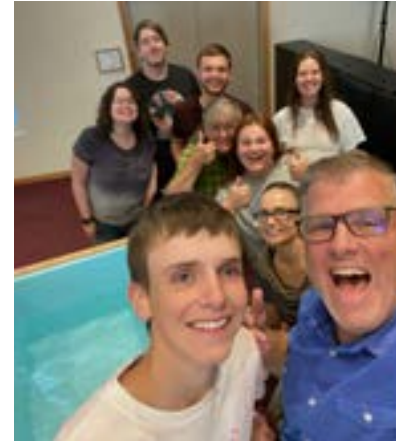
PASTOR SAM FLAHERTY

EVERY YEAR I AM ALWAYS excited for Palm Sunday, Passion Week, and Easter. No exception this year! Even now as we are navigating “Purify Our Hearts, O God,” we are celebrating Christ’s life, death, and resurrection! Water Baptism on Easter Sunday has become an important part of our prophetic community.

In the New Testament we see water baptism originating with John the Baptist. John was widely known for baptizing people in the river Jordan, and Jesus Himself was water baptized by John at the beginning of his ministry (Luke 3:21).

Water baptism is an act of faith and obedience to the commands of Christ. Jesus stated in Matthew 28:19-20: *“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”*

Jesus left a final command for us to be baptized (as disciples) and to baptize others (to make them disciples). Baptism demonstrates our love for Jesus: *“If you love me, keep my commands.”* (John 14:15).



SOME OF OUR 2023 BAPTISMS: PRESTON, TREVOR & KAT

The apostles and the early church made sure to keep the commandment of water baptism. Several passages in Acts describe the apostles immediately baptizing nearly everyone who accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior (Acts 8:5-13; 9:10-18; 10:34-48; 16:13-15, 30-33; 18:8).

Important Note: We do not save ourselves; God saves you through the work of Christ. We express our love and trust of God by being Water Baptized. It is a command of God and a public declaration of the work God has already accomplished

within us.

Water Baptism is meant to show the world that you love, trust, and have put your hope in Christ. If I have trusted Christ to save me from sin, and He is the Lord and joy of my life, then I’ll want everyone to know about it. Baptism is a statement to everyone who sees that I have trusted Christ for my salvation, and I’m committed to living for Him. *“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!”* (2 Corinthians 5:17).

Standing in the water symbolizes Jesus dying on the cross, immersing in the water symbolizes Jesus being buried in the tomb and being raised from the water symbolizes Jesus rising from the dead. We bury the ‘old life,’ and we rise to walk in a ‘new life’ (Romans 6:3-8).

If you haven’t been water baptized, consider following Christ’s example and command to be baptized. Let’s celebrate on Easter Sunday, March 31! ■

EASTER EATS



REBECCA'S CARROT CAKE

Ingredients:

Cake:

1 1/4 c. Applesauce
2 c. Sugar
3 Eggs
2 c. Flour
1 tsp. Baking Soda
1/2 tsp. Salt
1 tsp. Cinnamon
1 1/2 tsp. Baking Powder
2 c. Grated Carrot
1 c. Coconut
1 tsp. Vanilla
1 c. Crushed Pineapple (Not Drained)

Frosting:

1/2 C Butter
8 oz Cream Cheese
1 lb. Powdered Sugar

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 350° and grease or line 2 or 3 round pans with parchment.
2. Combine applesauce, sugar, and eggs.
3. Mix in flour, baking soda, salt, cinnamon, and baking powder.
4. Mix in carrot, coconut, vanilla, and pineapple.
5. Pour into pans and bake 25-30 minutes. Cool 10 minutes before removing from the pan.

MARY KAY'S SWEDISH NUT CAKE

Ingredients:

Cake:

2 c. Sugar
2 c. Flour
2 Eggs
2 tsp. Baking Soda
2 tsp. Vanilla
A 20 oz. Can Crushed
Pineapple (Not Drained)

Frosting:

8 oz. Cream Cheese (At Room
Temperature)
1 Stick of Butter (At Room
Temperature)
1 3/4 c. Powdered Sugar
1 tsp. Vanilla
1 c. Chopped Nuts

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 350° and grease and flour a 9x12" pan.
2. Combine sugar, flour, and baking soda.
3. Add eggs, vanilla, and pineapple with juice, and mix by hand.
4. Pour into pan and bake for 30-40 minutes.
5. Cream frosting ingredients together. Add nuts at the end or sprinkle on top. Best if the nuts are roasted before using.



WHY IS IT CALLED GOOD FRIDAY?

WHAT GOOD FRIDAY IS AND WHAT IT MEANS TO ME



RONI DELMORAL

WHY IS IT CALLED GOOD Friday if Jesus died? His death showed His great love for man and purchased for him every blessing. Good means “holy.”

When I think about the crucifixion of Jesus, I think of the days leading up to the event. He suffered great anxiety, sadness, and pain as a human being, knowing He was the Son of God. I wonder how I would pray to my Father in heaven knowing that I would be killed for my beliefs. When I think of the days leading to Jesus’s death, I am in angst to know that He will suffer so greatly because of humanity. Then, I beg the question: What would I do? This encourages me to contemplate my actions,



CARD GAMES WITH REEDSPORT FOURSQUARE YOUTH AT WINTER CAMP

reactions, and choices in the face of adversity and injustice, and it brings me to moments of deep reflection. It pushes me to consider my capacity for empathy, understanding, and resilience, to bring me to actions that align with my values and convictions. I may not live up to those words every day, but I imagine Jesus walks beside me and reminds me of which direction to take.

Lastly, another question I wonder: how do I forgive others under such duress?” This invites deep introspection into the capacity for empathy, understanding, and grace, even during intense emotional or psychological pressure. Forgiveness in the face of duress calls for immense strength, empathy, and a profound commitment to healing and reconciliation.



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Where is my strength when I am ill, in pain, hurt by others, lost, not forgiven? Can I bring myself to have such a commitment like Jesus? *This pushes me towards Jesus.*

I listen for wisdom from spiritual or philosophical sources. I want to participate in acts of service and compassion. This provides valuable insights and a sense of clarity when grappling with profound inquiries. Reading literature, poetry, or art that explores themes of forgiveness, purpose, and resilience can also offer solace and inspiration, giving a diverse perspective on these questions. *This pushes me towards Jesus.*

To explore these questions, I need to have personal reflection, talking aloud to Jesus with all my angst and poor spirit. To know that I can do this, that I do have a choice to choose Jesus with all that it encompasses. *This pushes me towards Jesus.*

At the same time, I think of His mother, Mary. How she must have suffered with her son. My heart aches with deep sadness and great admiration. But then the momentous day of His resurrection I almost feel the unfathomable joy, and relief we will feel when we are in heaven.

It is Holy Friday. ■

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WHO WE ARE

STAFF, MISSION, VISION & CORE VALUES

MISSION:

We are a Foursquare family committed to growth in relationship with God and others, impacting culture.

VISION:

To be a thriving, equipped community in favor with God and others.

CORE VALUES:

We recognize and declare that Jesus Christ is the center of everything we do and who we are. Our church family embraces nine core values that define how our culture operates and thrives. We believe that the church is a group of individuals with unique gifts whom God will use to do profound things. The values we establish shape our behavior and attitudes. Our core values are:

1. We believe the Bible is God's inspired Word
2. We value the person, presence, and power of the Holy Spirit
3. We embrace worship as a lifestyle of responding to the revelation of who God is
4. Prayer is a priority in our personal lives
5. We embrace living in a grace-filled community
6. We pursue encounters with Jesus, our Healer
7. We are motivated by a spirit of generosity
8. We are a multigenerational congregation
9. We partner with the worldwide body of Christ

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