

Warsaw International Church

Sunday News

01 April 2007

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WORSHIP AT 11:00

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<http://www.wic.org.pl>



Dear WIC family:

This is the week that reminds the church of its reason for existing – the journey to the cross and the empty tomb.

This is also the week that reminds us of our own need for Jesus. We recognize in ourselves the movement from “Hosanna!” to “Crucify him!” We know the longing for the kingdom of heaven in our world, and we know how easy it is to fall into a follow-the-crowd mentality and call for the death of the one in whom we have life.

Join in the remembrance of the events in which we find salvation in WIC’s worship and other gatherings in the coming week:

With love and hope,

Pastor Beth



This Sunday, 1 April, bring your palms (we’ll have some extras) and gather downstairs. We will begin with the story of Jesus’ triumphant entry, and will have our own singing procession upstairs to our worship room.

Covenant Players will to enrich our worship with dramatic presentations related to Palm Sunday and Holy Week. This will be a festival worship including the reading of the passion narrative (sign up to take part) and Holy Communion.

After the service, join in a WIC potluck meal.



Maundy Thursday

Thursday, 5 April, at the manse there will be a “house church” celebration for Maundy Thursday. Come at 7:00 p.m. for a light meal featuring some of the foods native to the Holy Land. Or join us at 7:30 for an informal service of Holy Communion as we remember Jesus’ last night with his disciples before his death.



Good Friday

Friday, 6 April, at 7:30 p.m. at the manse there will be a service of tenebrae or shadows. We will read the story of Jesus’ arrest, trial, suffering, and death. Between sections of the story we will pray and sing, as candles are gradually extinguished. This is a quiet, reflective time together at the cross of our Savior.



Sunday, 8 April at 11:00, festival worship with Holy Communion. Rejoice as once again we delight in the power of God for life over death!

Afterward you are invited to a potluck meal at the manse. Pastor Beth will provide roast lamb – if there is a food traditional for your celebration of Easter, please bring it!

Texts for this Sunday:

Luke 19:28-40
Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11
Luke 22:14-23:56

Texts for next Sunday:

Isaiah 65:17-25
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15:19-26
Luke 24:1-12

Sunday Helpers – Many thanks to these faithful people!

Please sign up to help one Sunday!

Ushers	Beata and Ron Nawrocki
Flowers	Beata Nawrocki
Readers	Ron, Robyn, Kate, Richard, Amy, Rachel, Jo, Pastor Beth
Processional music	Marilyn Dypczynski

Announcements

Moving Sale – Whirlpool washing machine; HP LaserJet 6L printer; 2 desks; 6 desk chairs; 2 white wardrobes; 3 matching sectional units, vacuum cleaner, metal skis - pictures and prices on request - Ron Nawrocki – md@bisolutions.eu; tel: 022.642.5097

Directory – an update of the WIC directory is in the works. If there is anything new in your contact information, please give the update to Pastor Beth

HOLY WORDS

A cheering, chanting, dizzy crowd
had stripped the green trees bare,
and hailing Christ as king aloud,
waved branches in the air.

They laid their garments in the road
and spread his path with palms
and vows of lasting love bestowed
with royal hymns and psalms.

When day dimmed down to deepening dark
the crowd began to fade
'til only trampled leaves and bark
were left from the parade.

Let us be fooled because our hearts have surged with passing praise,
remind us, God, as this week starts
where Christ has fixed his gaze.

Instead of palms a winding sheet
will have to be unrolled,
a carpet much more fit to greet
the king a cross will hold.

-- Thomas Troeger

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