

PALM SUNDAY

Passion Week is here! Palm Sunday is Jesus' memorable entrance into Jerusalem. Join us as we retrace his steps and remember his mission!



Make this an unforgettable celebration for you and your family! Join us, SUNDAY, MARCH 31@ 10AM!



MOTHER'S DAY

Join us as we
honor our ladies at JCC on
Sunday, May 12!

Finding hope

WHEN I FEEL LIKE GIVING UP

Mar 03 » It's Not Too Late
Mar 10 » What to Do When
I'm Running Out
of Everything
Mar 17 » What to Do When
I Can't See My Way
Mar 24 » Palm Sunday
Mar 31 » Easter

Prayer REQUESTS

▶ SALVATION

- Walter Miner III Gearen Family Tom M. Stein Family
 Ryan K. Tyler M. Mandy W. Dave. O

▶ HEALTH ISSUES

- Art B. » Health Issues Lucille S. » Health Issues
 Armando » Back Issues Laura S. » Health Issues
 Mandy W. » Cancer Augustin A. » Sobriety
 Merle » Health Issues Hector S. » Job Issues
 Carlos V. » Health Issues Walter Miner III. » Health Issues
 Angie & Family » Life Issues Ken R. » Surgery
 Bob A. Healing/Kidney Peggy K. » Knee Procedure
 Camilia S. » Cancer/Leg Laura A. » Recovering-eye
 Robert G. » Health Issues Debra L. » Grief: her
 Kevin K. » Health Issues operation
 Angela A. » Health Issues dad passed
 Michelle H. » Leukemia



METRICS THAT MATTER (03/17/24)

ATTENDANCE ▶ 36

GIVING ▶ \$1,764

GUESTS ▶ 0

VOLUNTEERS ▶ 14

DECISIONS FOR CHRIST ▶ 0

*But others were tortured, refusing to turn from God in order to be set free. They placed their hope in a better life after the resurrection. Some were jeered at, and their backs were cut open with whips. Others were chained in prisons. Some died by stoning, some were sawed in half and others were killed with the sword. Some went about wearing skins of sheep and goats, destitute and oppressed and mistreated. They were too good for this world, wandering over deserts and mountains, hiding in caves and holes in the ground. All these people earned a good reputation because of their faith, yet none of them received all that God had promised. For God had something better in mind for us, so that they would not reach perfection without us. **Hebrews 11:35-40***

SOME OBSERVATIONS

1. Faith does not spare me from pain.
2. Some of God's promises will be fulfilled in eternity.
3. We're runners in a historical relay race.

THINGS TO DO WHEN YOU FEEL LIKE GIVING UP

1 REMEMBER HEAVEN IS WATCHING ME

*Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses. **Hebrews 11:1a***

2 ELIMINATE WHAT DOESN'T MATTER

*let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, **Hebrews 12:1b***

WEIGHTS: Anything that slows you down. It can be a good thing—a relationship, an activity, a memory, a hobby.

SINS: Knowing what to do and not doing it.

3

RUN GOD'S RACE FOR ME, NOT FOR OTHERS

*and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us. **Hebrews 12:1b***

4

FOCUS ON JESUS, NOT MY CIRCUMSTANCES

*looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. **Hebrews 12:2***

*When I had lost all hope, I turned my thoughts once more to the Lord. And my earnest prayer went to you in your holy Temple. **Jonah 2:7***

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MINIMIZE THE PAIN AND MAXIMIZE THE PROFIT

*looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. **Hebrews 12:2***

*And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. **Galatians 6:9***

Paul's troubles

2 Corinthians 11:24-28

Paul's perspective

2 Corinthians 4:1

2 Corinthians 4:7-12

6

REMEMBER WHAT JESUS WENT THROUGH FOR ME

Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.

2 Corinthians 8:10-11

What have I started that I need to finish?

Women's Bible Study Journaling the Word



It's fun – It's Bible Study!

You are invited to a once-a-month Bible Journal Class at my house on the **THIRD THURSDAY** each month, February-May. Each session would consist of a study topic, discussion, prayer, and time for creative journaling... ultimately you choose your journal as you please—then continue to add to your journal through the week. (*Sharing what you have done is optional.*)

➤➤ Session ➤➤

Prayer & Sharing 10 minutes

Topical study 10-15 minutes

Discussion 5-10 minutes

Journal work 25-30 minutes



If interested, please sign up on the clipboard in the vestibule and indicate whether evening or daytime would work best for you: **Thursday 10:00 a.m. or 6:30 p.m.**

Blessings,

Pastor Phylis