

## “The Criminals on the Crosses”

Luke 23:32-43

Sermon Notes:

### Welcome to Hopewell!

We are sincerely pleased that you joined us  
in worshipping God and Jesus Christ today.

If you have any questions, please ask!

Nursery facilities are available for young children  
during the worship service. The nursery is  
located along the south side of the sanctuary.

### This Week

Thursday, March 28, 7pm – Maundy Thursday  
Communion

### Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 31:

9:30am – Brunch

10:30am – Easter Worship

March 24, 2024

Welcome!

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“HOPE is what we DO”

Hopewell’s Mission:

To lead spiritually disconnected people  
into hope in Christ.



Worship: 10:30 AM

Elder Team: Pat Bechtel, Marty Gaff, Jim Gingerich

Pastor: Joel Short

A Congregation of Mennonite Church USA

WiFi Password: [hopewellmc](#)

\*Please stand if you are able

March 24, 2024

# Palm Sunday

## Gathering in Jesus’ Name

Welcome: Tim Stoner – Worship Leader

*(Please sign the Welcome Pad and, if visiting, please include your address)*

Call to Worship – from Psalm 118

L: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever.

**P: Hosanna to God, Hosanna in the highest!**

L: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

**P: Hosanna to the Lord, Hosanna in the highest!**

L: With palms, actions and words, join in the celebration, give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

**ALL: His love endures forever!**

Prayer

## Praise and Prayer

\*Worship Music

Praises and Prayer Requests

Congregational Prayer

## Hearing God’s Word

Message: “The Criminals on the Crosses” – Joel Short  
Luke 23:32-43

Song

## Into the World in Jesus’ Name

Announcements

\*Benediction

\*Sending Song: “God Calls Us”

(Leader) God calls us to be followers of Christ (echo)  
and by the Spirit’s pow’r  
grow as communities of grace, joy and peace  
so that God’s healing and hope  
flow through us into the world

## Praises & Prayer Requests

\* Peace in our world

\* Harvey Nix

\* Ruth Willstead

\* June Deavers

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\* Sister Church – St. Paul Lutheran Church

\*\*Sharing Praises and Prayer Requests:

1. Be brief
2. Be appropriate
3. Keep it local (personal)
4. Give your name
5. Get permission if sharing about someone else

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

This Week:

March 26 – Craig & Dana King  
27 – Corey King  
Don & Amanda Steeb

Next Week:

31 – Emma Short  
Ethan Dykstra  
Apr. 1 – Lillian Szarley  
2 – Grant Gingerich  
Evan Short  
Lindsey Dykstra  
3 – Joanne Caudel  
5 – Char Sandberg

## Announcements

- Attendance – 27
- Offering Last Sunday – 2780

### Holy Week Worship Schedule:

- Thursday, Mar 28, 7pm – Maundy Thursday Communion
- Sunday, Mar 31: 9:30am – Brunch  
10:30am – Easter Worship

There is a signup sheet on the kitchen counter in the hallway for food items that are needed for the Brunch Fellowship before the Easter service.

- Kouts Christian Church (208 S. Polland Street) would like to invite you to a **Good Friday Service** on Friday, March 29, 2024, at 6:30 pm. We will be recognizing Christ’s victory and preparing our hearts for Easter through scripture, songs, poems, and more. Please join us as a community and help strengthen the bonds of church and community!
- The **group subscription to Anabaptist World** magazine is up for renewal. If you would like to be included in the group subscription or make changes to your existing subscription, please talk to Joel Short ASAP. The yearly group rate is \$39.

### Hopenstone Youth Group

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