

CHURCH FINANCE'S	
Last Sunday's Attendance	60
Last Sunday's Offering	\$1,575
Difference to Weekly Budgeted Offering	<\$829>
Offering YTD	\$30,968
Difference to Offering YTD	\$4,524

* **Sermon Notes** - Available in the Narthex

* **Listening devices are available upon request**

- * **Church Directory** - The church directory is available by request from the church office.
- * **Interested in becoming a church member?** Please talk to Pastor Joseph
- * **WE WANT TO PRAY FOR YOU:** If you have an immediate prayer need and would like us to pray for you, please fill out the pew card and place it in the offering plate. Be as thorough as possible so we can most effectively pray for you.
- * **Kids Own Worship** - Kids in Kindergarten-4th grade are invited to participate in Kids Own Worship following the Children's Message
Lesson: Loving the Risen Savior; Luke 23-24
- * **Please join us in the Parlor after worship for Coffee Hour, coffee, punch, treats & fellowship.**
- * Sign up to host future Coffee Hour's in the Narthex.

Contact Us at Mansfield 1st (EPC)

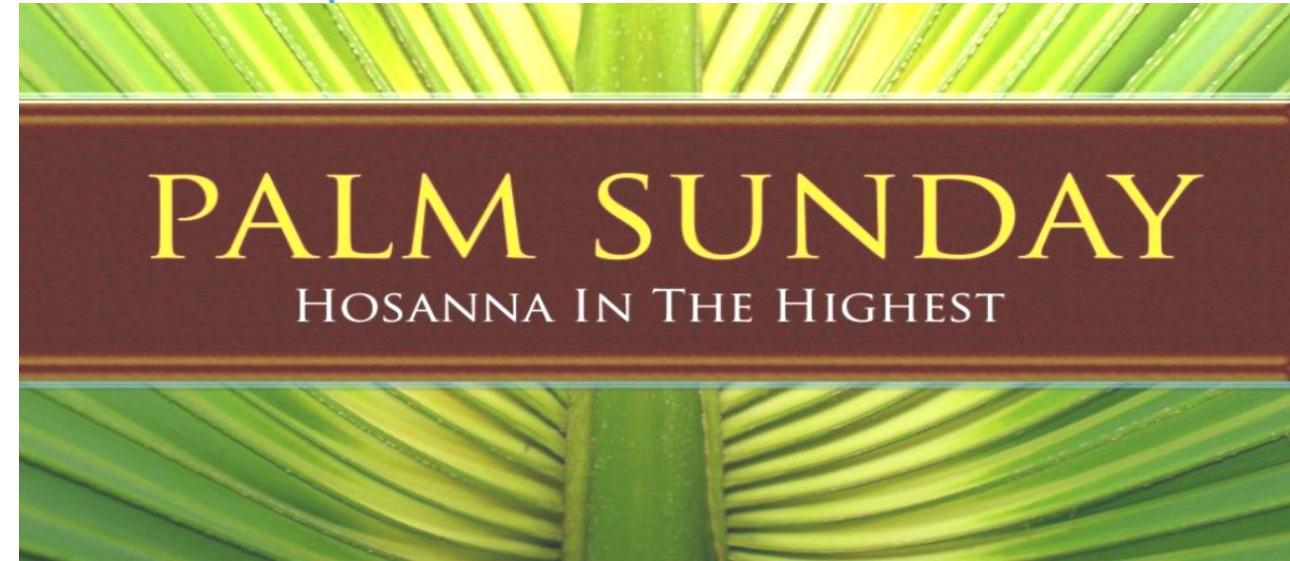
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Tucker Bacquet, Randy Richard, Judy Swartzmiller, Ben Troyer, Dana Woodring



**Mansfield 1st Evangelical
Presbyterian Church**



Sunday, March 24th, 2024

A Curse Upon Those Who Refuse To Bear Fruit

Mark 11:1-25

Rev. Joseph Yerger, Pastor

A Sanctuary of Worship

A School of Religious Education

A Church Home with Open Doors

Welcome to Mansfield 1st EPC

Order of Worship

March 24th, 2024



Please take a moment to fill out pew pads

Sermon Notes

Call To Worship: (Psalm 100:1-5)

Pastor Joseph Yerger

Children's Palm Processional

***Hymn of Praise:**

#297 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

***Prayer of Adoration:**

Judy Swartzmiller

Responsive Call to Confession: (Psalm 24:1-6)

Judy Swartzmiller

A Psalm of David.

LEADER: The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

ALL: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?

LEADER: He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

ALL: Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

**Please stand as you are able*

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

LORD'S DAY 12

31. Q. Why is he called Christ, that is, Anointed?

A. Because he has been ordained by God the Father, and anointed with the Holy Spirit,¹ to be our chief Prophet and Teacher,² who has fully revealed to us the secret counsel and will of God concerning our redemption;³ our only High Priest,⁴ who by the one sacrifice of his body has redeemed us,⁵ and who continually intercedes for us before the Father;⁶ and our eternal King,⁷ who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who defends and preserves us in the redemption obtained for us.⁸

1 Ps 45:7 (Heb 1:9); Is 61:1 (Lk 4:18); Lk 3:21, 22.

2 Deut 18:15 (Acts 3:22).

3 Jn 1:18; 15:15.

4 Ps 110:4 (Heb 7:17).

5 Heb 9:12; 10:11-14.

6 Rom 8:34; Heb 9:24; 1 Jn 2:1.

7 Zech 9:9 (Mt 21:5); Lk 1:33.

8 Mt 28:18-20; Jn 10:28; Rev 12:10, 11.

32. Q. Why are you called a Christian?

A. Because I am a member of Christ by faith¹ and thus share in his anointing,² so that I may as prophet confess his name,³ as priest present myself a living sacrifice of thankfulness to him,⁴ and as king fight with a free and good conscience against sin and the devil in this life,⁵ and hereafter reign with him eternally over all creatures.⁶

1 1 Cor 12:12-27.

2 Joel 2:28 (Acts 2:17); 1 Jn 2:27.

3 Mt 10:32; Rom 10:9, 10; Heb 13:15.

4 Rom 12:1; 1 Pet 2:5, 9.

5 Gal 5:16, 17; Eph 6:11; 1 Tim 1:18, 19.

6 Mt 25:34; 2 Tim 2:12.

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

(All)
Almighty God and Sovereign LORD, You do not require our permission for anything. Invade our hearts and fill our lives, we pray. Let us rejoice at the news of Your coming. Help us to welcome You with gladness and praise. Let us give You all the glory and honor, reserving none for ourselves. We cast our crowns down before You and submit our lives and our loves to Your Will. Make us worthy to receive You. Raise us up so that we may stand in Your presence to worship You, now and forever. We pray that You will bless us LORD; keep us and save us in Your great mercy because Your love endures forever.
AMEN

Silent Prayers & Confessions:

Judy Swartzmiller

Responsive Assurance of Pardon: (Psalm 24:7-10)

LEADER: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

ALL: Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle! Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

LEADER: Who is this King of glory?

ALL: The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

***Song of Response:**

#813 Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

Offertory:

Angie Hunter
"Doxology," arr. by Mark Hayes

***Song of Response:**

#815 Doxology

***Prayer of Thanksgiving:**

Pastor Joseph Yerger

Children's Message:

Kids come down to the left-side steps

Children are released to go to Kids Own Worship

**Please stand as you are able*

Prayers for God's People - Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13)

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. **AMEN**

Hymn of Preparation:

#301 We Will Glorify

The Word of God**

The Scripture Reading: Mark 11:1-25

Sermon: A Curse Upon Those Who Refuse To Bear Fruit

***Affirmation of Faith:** (The Apostles Creed) **(All)**
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. **AMEN**

*Sending Song:

#300 All Glory, Laud and Honor

Benediction:

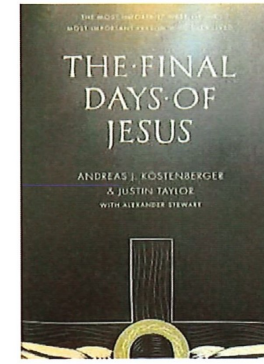
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*** Found on pages 823 in the red pew Bible.*

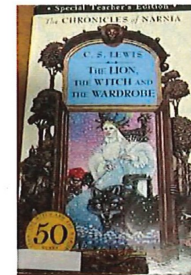
March Book of the Month
Easter Selections for the Whole Family!

For Adults



The Final Days of Jesus by Andreas J. Kostenberger Justin Taylor
Combining a chronological arrangement of the Gospel accounts with insightful commentary, charts, and maps, this book will help you better understand what actually happened during Jesus's last days and why it matters today.

For Teens and Tweens

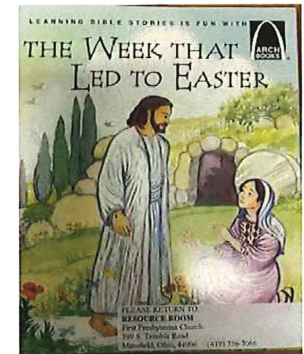


The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe
by C.S. Lewis
No book better illustrates the powerful love of our Lord and Savior than this! The first in The Chronicles of Narnia to be published, readers will be whisked away to the enchanted world of Narnia where they will meet 4 siblings, a terrible witch, and the Great Aslan!

For Kids



A Child's Story of Easter by Fulton Oursler
This beautifully illustrated picture book begins with Palm Sunday and ends with the Ascension, but reminds us that the story is not finished yet.



The Week That Led to Easter
by Joanne Larrison
In the classic rhyming fashion of all Arch Books, this picture book walks children through the events of Holy Week and ends with our Savior's joyous resurrection.

Moment for Missions

We offer an array of support programs and assistance to those in need of renewed hope and spiritual healing.



Worship Services

Worship is a vital part of one's spiritual health. When we worship God, we are acknowledging that He is worthy of praise, honor, and glory. Our worship services offer a place to study the Bible, worship God, and grow together in a community built on the extensions of God's grace, mercy, and forgiveness. Most worship services are held weekly, usually on Sunday. There are also weekday and evening activities, such as prayer groups, family events, lunch groups, youth clubs, and meetings for seniors.

Spiritual Counseling

In addition to regular worship services, [The Salvation Army provides a network of chaplains](#) who help those in need find a healing process. Whether it is counseling during a natural disaster or providing daily comfort for those who struggle with spiritual, psychological, and interpersonal conflicts, our chaplains can help you navigate the spiritual healing process and enjoy a growing communion with God. No matter what your beliefs are, they will happily answer any questions about God, faith, and spirituality.

Similarly, our [Adult Rehabilitation Centers \(ARC\)](#) and [Harbor Lights Centers](#) provide spiritual, social, and emotional healing, without discrimination, to drug addicts and alcoholics who have lost the ability to manage the stresses of daily life.



This Week at Mansfield 1st EPC

Office hours are M-F 8am-noon

Sunday, March 24th	9 am	Sunday School
	10 am	Worship Service
	11:20 am	Coffee Hour
Monday, March 25th	1 pm	Quilters
Wednesday, March 27th	12 pm	Staff Meeting
Thursday, March 28th	10 am	Prayer Group
Friday, March 29th	7pm	Good Friday Service
Sunday, March 31st	10 am	Worship Service
	11:20 am	Coffee Hour

Thank you to everyone that brought in cereal for the Salvation Army. We were able to bless them with 40 boxes!

[Greeters Needed!](#) - If you would like to serve as a greeter before Sunday Worship please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. If you have questions see Tucker Bacquet.

Good Friday Service - THIS FRIDAY - March 29 at 7pm.

Ye Young Gift Shop Committee - April 17th at 9am in Westminster

There will be no Sunday School or Kids Own Worship next Sunday, March 31st.

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THE DISENCHANTMENT OF MODERNISM:
Truth, Goodness, and Beauty in
The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe

When:
April 6th, 2024 at 9:45-11:00 A.M.

Where:
*Community Room
Richland County Public Library
43 W 3rd Street
Mansfield, OH 44903*

Open to the Public



Find us on Facebook

Contact Caleb Satterfield for more information:
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Truths We Confess

The Westminster Confession of Faith is one of the most precise and comprehensive statements of biblical Christianity, and it is treasured by believers around the world. Dr. R.C. Sproul has called it “one of the most important confessions of faith ever penned,” and it has helped generations of Christians understand and defend what they believe.

In *Truths We Confess*, Dr. Sproul introduces readers to this remarkable confession, explaining its insights and applying them to modern life. In his signature easy-to-understand style and with his conviction that everyone’s a theologian, he provides valuable commentary that will serve churches and individual Christians as they strive to better understand the eternal truths of Scripture.

As he walks through the confession line by line, Dr. Sproul shows how the doctrines of the Bible—from creation to covenant, sin to salvation—fit together to the glory of God. This accessible volume is designed to help you deepen your knowledge of God’s Word and answer the question, “What do you believe?”

Sunday School

Visitors Are Welcome!

- Pastor Joseph teaches adult Sunday School at 9:00 am in room 201. We are studying the Gospel of Mark. Coffee is provided.

- We also have classes available for children age 3-Kindergarten (Begin with Jesus), Kindergarten -2nd grade (Show me Jesus), for grades 3rd-6th (Closer to Jesus), and for 7th-12th grade (Grow with Jesus). Each class begins at 9 am on Sunday morning.

Prime Time - Meets every other Wednesday. This study is for any adults, beginning at 4pm. **Next meets on April 10th**

Spirit Seekers - Meets every other Sunday at noon for lunch with the bible study afterwards. This study is for those in their 20's-50's and is divided into 'Parents' & Youth. **Next meets on April 7th - We will begin our new study [Truths We Confess by R.C. Sproul.](#) Please read the [Prefix and chapter 1](#) before we next meet.**

Kids O' the Kirk - The youth companion group to Spirit Seekers. **Next meets on April 7th**



It's that time again for our Spring Rummage Sale! It will be held on Friday, April 19th from 9am-4pm & Saturday, April 20th from 9am-12pm.

We greatly need your donations of clean, slightly used clothing, household items, etc. Please bring them to Kirk Hall and place them on the shelves outside the rummage room door. We will close donations on Friday, April 13th.

Set up will begin on Monday, April 15th at 6pm. Pizza will be served. It is vital for us to have folks who can lift and carry heavy boxes. We will continue setting up on Tuesday, at 9am. Help will be needed again after the sale closes at noon on Saturday. Sign up sheets for these times will be in the Narthex.

All help will be Greatly Appreciated.

PRAYER REQUEST

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Praise

The LORD is Sovereign over ALL THINGS

Our American Freedoms

Our Freedom to worship the LORD

Prayers of Petition

Healing for Carol Nemeth

Healing for Martha Ball

Healing for Pat Olsen

Healing for Dan Davis

Healing for Beverly Urschel

Healing for Joseph James

Healing for Meg Wyatt O'Rourke

Healing for Martha Montague

Healing for Nik Stevens

Healing for Edda Braun

Healing for Agie

Healing for Janis Gibbs

Healing for Ryan Christman

Family & friends of David Doerr, in mourning

Sellards Family

Diana Hammer & family

Erna & Frank Becker

Cindy Hessin

Maxine Smith

Don Harding

Sally and Bill Wyatt

Ms. Vivian Stevens

Elizabeth Arthur

Patsy Himes

Jim Standridge

Hazel Bigner & family

Jon & Dorothy Powell, Home Hospice

Maureen Doherty

Mark Doherty

Kaelin Scott

The Thomassen Family

James Willis

Brandi Coe

Family & friends of Caroline Ruth, in mourning

Eurobrass

Chris and Emily Carpenter and family

EduNations and its students

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PRAYER REQUEST

My Village Ministries

www.myvillageministries.com

Families & children of the Sudan

Our Congregation

Pastor Joseph & Jodie

Shawn Wade & Our Preschool

For Our City, Our Nation & Civic Leaders (for wisdom, grace, peace)

Reverend El Akuchie, Mansfield City Councilman, 3rd Ward

Mayor Jodie Perry

First Responders (Police, Fire, EMS)

All Christians being persecuted around the globe

For Revival in our city, state & county

Palestinian Christians

Jerusalem and all those in harms way

For everyone else not listed, but also in need of prayer

The Youth of Richland County

YMCA Stronger Through Prayer:

3/8

Ricky

Healing & strength for Sally Oswalt

Healing & strength for Lanny Reader

Healing & strength for Jack Cowell

Healing for Jeff

Healing & strength for Tom

Healing & strength for James

Dave, in need of kidney transplant

Praise, answer to prayer for Brook to find a job

Praise, Dean is Cancer free!

March of Prayer

Healing for Jim Porter

Healing & strength for Leo

Healing for Linnell

Healing for Kathy

Great Aunt Rita, in mourning

Healing & strength for Conner