

# WORSHIP CELEBRATION

APRIL 2, 2017

10:15 A.M.



***The United Methodist Church of Morristown***

**Christ Centered † Spirit Led**

***The mission of our church is to engage all people in knowing, loving, and serving God to transform lives, communities, and the world.***

## WORSHIP CELEBRATION

April 2, 2017

Fifth Sunday of Lent

10:15 a.m.

† Identifies time to stand, as you are able.

PRELUDE

*The Lord's My Shepherd*

arr. Don Hustad  
Jennifer Yang

† INTROIT

*Lead Me Lord*

*Sarah A Michal*  
No. 473

*Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness; make thy way plain before my face.  
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only, that makest me dwell in safety.*

† CALL TO WORSHIP

*Rev. Dr. Brandon Cho*

Leader: Are you looking for faith?

**People: Come forth to new life.**

Leader: Are you looking for hope?

**People: Come out into the light.**

Leader: Are you looking for love?

**People: Come to the presence of God, whose Spirit finds us here.**

† OPENING HYMN

*This Is My Father's World*

No. 144

† OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

*Jack Scharf*

**Come, Holy Spirit,**

**Breathe new life into our lives**

**and our worship.**

**Create new possibilities,**

**in our imaginations and in our dreams.**

**Send the promise of your hope**

**into our depression and our despair.**

**Expand our hearts and our minds,**

**as we enter your presence this day. Amen.**

(Please be seated.)

CALL TO CONFESSION

*Dr. Cho*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

**God of new life and emerging possibilities, forgive us when death and despair occupy our focus.**

**Embolden our faith when your future feels out of reach. Strengthen our courage, that we might come forth into the light and life of your promises. In hope and trust, we pray. Amen.**

SILENT REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: In Christ's love, there is hope. In Christ's forgiveness, there is peace. In the Spirit's power, we are renewed and brought forth into life! In the name of Christ, we are forgiven, healed and made whole.

**People: In the name of Christ, we are forgiven, healed and made whole. Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

*Ave Verum Corpus*  
Chancel Choir

W. A. Mozart

*Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, who has truly suffered, and was sacrificed on the cross for mankind, whose side was pierced, whence flowed water and blood. Be for us a foretaste of heaven, during our final trial, O Jesu sweet, O Jesu merciful, O Jesus Son of Mary, have mercy on me. Amen.*

## INFANT BAPTISM

Receiving the Sacrament: Jackson Anthony Guerriero, son of Julie and Chris Guerriero  
Sterling Mayfield Simo, son of Kendal Estes and Todd Simo  
Siblings: Cooper and Kaia Simo

## CONGREGATION RESPONSE:

**We rejoice with you in your children's baptism today. We will continue to surround you with our prayers and love, that your children may grow in their faith and service to others. We will pray for them that they may be dynamic disciples who walk in the way of the Lord that leads to life. Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S STORYTIME

*(Children up to the age of 7 may gather in the Narthex as they go to Room 22 for Children's Time.)*

*Dr. Cho*

## A TIME OF COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

*Dr. Cho*

## PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Jack Scharf*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

## † HYMN

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

No. 138

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

*Jack Scharf*

**Holy One, open our hearts, minds and lives to your Holy Word. Help us hear your voice in the words we hear and in the silence that lies between them, so that we can embody your living Word in our faith, life, and ministry. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE READING

John 10:11-16

*Jack Scharf*

I am the good shepherd. **The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.** The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. **The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep.** I am the good shepherd. **I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father.** And I lay down my life for the sheep. **I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold.** I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. **So there will be one flock, one shepherd.**

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

**“Jesus: The Good Shepherd”**

*Dr. Cho*

## HOLY COMMUNION

See insert

## † PASSING THE PEACE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Dr. Cho*

- Friendship Pads
- Vacation Bible School

*Jack Scharf*

## OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Dr. Cho*

## OFFERTORY

*Prelude on “Guidance”*

arr. Gordon Young

## † DOXOLOGY

No. 95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

*Jack Scharf*

**With these gifts, mighty God, bring forth new life and renewed hope for your people. Work in us and through, that our lives and our gifts may become signs of life and hope for all to see. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

† CLOSING HYMN

*Trust and Obey*

No. 467

† BENEDICTION

*Dr. Cho*

† POSTLUDE

*Forward Through the Ages*

arr. Marianne Kim

Please feel free to sit and enjoy the postlude or leave the sanctuary to greet the pastor and other church friends at the door. All are welcome to join for a time of fellowship over refreshments in Fellowship Hall.

**THE FLOWERS THAT GRACE THE CHANCEL** are given by Sue and Clive Coutts, Jr. to the glory of God and in loving memory of dear, sweet Joanie McCutcheon.

**THE FLOWER CHART FOR 2017 is in place in the narthex.** Please consider honoring a loved one by dedicating the flowers for any given Sunday. The cost is \$70.00 for the two arrangements. You may share the dedication with a second donor if you wish.



- **“LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS”** The broadcast of our services may be seen on Cable Channel 21 each Sunday at 3:00 p.m.
- **DVDs** are available for each worship service for \$5.00. Please call the office to place your order.
- **LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE USHERS' TABLE. PLEASE TAKE A HYMNAL AND RETURN IT TO THE USHERS' TABLE AFTER THE SERVICE.**

**Attendance and Offering  
Week of March 26, 2017**

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
155	\$4,353.00

MUMC Church Staff

Pastor . . . . .	Rev. Dr. Brandon Cho
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# MORRISTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 2, 2017

April 9, 2017

**Palm/Passion Sunday**

**“Who is Coming to Town?”**

Matthew 26:14-27

Pastor Brandon preaching

Asbury Choir & Kids of the Kingdom Choirs

April 16, 2017

**Easter Sunday**

**Early Morning Service on the Green**

Worship Service

**“Rise and Shine”**

Matthew 28:1-20

Pastor Brandon preaching

Brass Quartet & Jubilation Ringers

**WELCOME EVERYBODY!** Our special welcome to our guests in worship today. We are so glad that we could worship God together today. Please go to the WELCOME CENTER to receive a welcome gift and more information about our church and its ministry. See you next Sunday.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL—August 7-11, 2017.** We are happy to inform you that you may now register for Vacation Bible School on the church website.

**WE ARE COLLECTING RAZORS AND SHAVING CREAM FOR THE SOUP KITCHEN IN APRIL.**

**KITCHEN SHOWER—please visit us right after worship in Fellowship Hall.**

## THIS WEEK AT MUMC

### Sunday, April 2

9:00 a.m.	Sunday School	
9:00 a.m.	Breakfast Club	Wesley Room
9:00 a.m.	Adult Education	Wesley Room
10:15 a.m.	Worship Service—Pastor Brandon	
11:35 a.m.	Asbury Choir	Choir Room
11:45 a.m.	MUMC Kitchen Shower	Fellowship Hall
3:30 p.m.	Bilingual Service	
4:30 p.m.	“Know Your Rights”	Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m.	Youth—Movie Night	Youth Lounge

### Monday, April 3

7:30 p.m. AA Room 21

### Tuesday, April 4

### Wednesday, April 5

6:00 p.m.	Wesleyan Choir	Choir Room
7:00 p.m.	Jubilation Ringers	Asbury Room

### Thursday, April 6

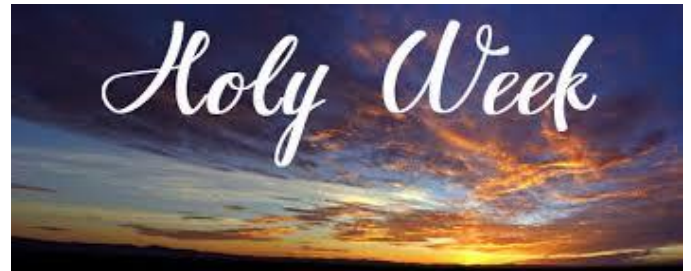
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
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### Saturday, April 8

8:30 a.m. Emmaus Reunion

### Next Sunday, April 9—Palm Sunday

9:00 a.m.	Sunday School	
9:00 a.m.	Breakfast Club	Wesley Room
9:00 a.m.	Adult Education	Wesley Room
10:15 a.m.	Worship Service—Pastor Brandon	
11:35 a.m.	Asbury Choir	Choir Room
12:00 p.m.	ASP Meeting	Youth Lounge
3:30 p.m.	Bilingual Service	



April 9, 2017—Palm/Passion Sunday  
**“Who is Coming to Town?”**

Pastor Brandon preaching

April 13, 2017—Holy Thursday

7:30 pm Worship

**“The Passover”**

Pastor Brandon preaching

April 14, 2017—Good Friday

7:30 Worship

**“The Ultimate Sacrifice!”**

Pastor Brandon preaching

April 16, 2017—Easter Sunday

7:30 a.m.

**Early Morning Worship**

**On the Green**

10:15 a.m.

**Worship Service**

**“Rise and Shine!”**

Pastor Brandon preaching



- **Nueva Esperanza Worship and Ministry**
- **Stephen Ministry**
- **Church Leaders and Ministry Teams**
- **Our Sunday School and Youth Ministry**

**Our Church Family and Friends**

**Beth Courter**, recovery following surgery  
**Tim Byrne**, successful treatment of cancer  
**John Hyland**, continued strength and healing during treatment  
**Nino Martino**, healing  
**Brenda Leary**, knee surgery on April 6  
**Ilo Toncre**, mourning the death of her husband, Jim  
**Ms. So**, in Hospice care  
**Kelly Buzalski**, Ruth Zippler's daughter-in-law, fighting cancer  
**Grandma Joanie**, may she sing in heaven  
**Ann Spears**, good test results  
**Dorothy Daniels**, pain relief  
**New Stephens Ministry**  
**Joan**, in Hospice care  
**Laurel Mae Bailey**, treatment of rheumatoid arthritis  
**Janice Harris**, colon cancer  
**Stephanie**, leukemia  
**Hedda**, strength and healing  
**Carolyn**, cancer  
**Sadie Stiles**, depression  
**Joe Mossey**, liver issues  
**Owen**, strength and hope during cancer treatments  
**Maggie**, dialysis and chemo  
**Debbie's mom**, successful treatment of cancer  
**Lea O'Shea**, **Nancy Ruggerio's daughter**, recovery  
**Adam**, successful treatment of colon cancer  
**James**, recovery from stage 4 cancer  
**Jenny's father**, treatment for prostate cancer  
**Enid**, lung cancer  
**James**, recovery from stage 4 cancer

**Pfc. Abigail Crisp**, NJ Army National Guard  
**Sgt. Randall Ferrara**, NJ Army National Guard  
**Jordan Dale**, U.S. Marines  
**Lt. Karen Kraft McAllister**, U.S. Navy, S. Korea

**On-going Prayer**

Sonya Burroughs	Nancy Gardner
Shannon Bain	Jack & Johnna
Lou Cattano	Barbara & Jim MacHale
Beth & Bruce Courter	Micah
Erika Davis	Rick Radis
Bill Earls	Arden Sutton
Neil Eriksen	Ken Zippler