



Contemporary Service

Matthew 26: 17 – 30 Revised Standard Version

¹⁷ Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the passover?" ¹⁸ He said, "Go into the city to a certain one, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at your house with my disciples.'" ¹⁹ And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the passover.

²⁰ When it was evening, he sat at table with the twelve disciples;^[a] ²¹ and as they were eating, he said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." ²² And they were very sorrowful, and began to say to him one after another, "Is it I, Lord?" ²³ He answered, "He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me, will betray me." ²⁴ The Son of man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born." ²⁵ Judas, who betrayed him, said, "Is it I, Master?"^[b] He said to him, "You have said so."

²⁶ Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." ²⁷ And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; ²⁸ for this is my blood of the^[c] covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹ I tell you I shall not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

³⁰ And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

I Corinthians 11: 26 Revised Standard Version

²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Rev. W. Russell Freeman, Sr.

Pastor

Rev. Emily Kirby

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MARCH 7, 2021

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER LENT

PURPLE

9:30 AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

OPENING SONGS

“Pride (In the Name of Love)”
“To the Table”

The River Band

COMMUNION

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 26: 17 – 30

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I Corinthians 11: 26

SERMON

“Sacrificial Love”

Rev. Russell Freeman

SONG

“Communion” (Third Day)

The River Band

PRAYER
LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Emily Kirby

BENEDICTION

The River Band: John Bove, Rick Clayton, Susan Clayton, Eric Freeman, Bart Griffin, Erik Stair, Jordan Stair, Barry Sullivan, *Kelly Campman, leader*

Sound System: Andy Harman

Pro Presenter: Jan Weiss & Pat Angelini



In Person Worship Guidelines/Rules

Remember that in order to “safely” conduct “in person” services during these difficult times of COVID-19 and social distancing we have developed guidelines. They may be long and cumbersome to read and remember but we all must be vigilant. So with that in mind, as much as you would LOVE to speak and stop to chat with someone, please:

- Follow the usher to your seat
- Once seated, stay in your seat, unfortunately it is not safe to leave and socialize.
- After the service please follow the exit procedure and walk to the exit when it is your turn to proceed. It is not safe for you or others to stop talk and socialize when exiting.

We all must follow the rules so that we can continue to worship in person. Do you realize that there are some churches that are now back to only streaming services because of virus outbreaks? Let's try not to do that and follow the rules.

The Church Council will meet on Monday, March 8 at 6:15 PM in the Life Center. This will be the first meeting of the year. Feature topics are last year's financials and the results of our charity committee's work.

Stewardship

We are asking you to offer a pledge for 2021 or continue to give your regular offering to LRUMC. You may fill out a pledge card available at the donation box, email your pledge amount to Kathie at kmcilroy@sc.rr.com or call her at the church office. If you have not considered giving online and becoming a regular online giver now is the time to do so. If you do not know how to give contact Jim Offutt at 843-427-4395 or Kathie in the church office to see how that can be done. If you do not wish to give online, make a plan to regularly mail in your offerings. Don't forget we have the drop box for donations at each service.

River Kids Worship

GREAT NEWS! We will resume RKW on March 7 as well as digital worship. During the remainder of February, in lieu of in-person River Kids Worship, we will providing digital worship opportunities that include take-home worship kits, to help our digital services be intentional and engaging. These kits will include activities, elements to be used during the worship time, and additional information to put our beliefs into action.

On March 14, a new Sunday adventure at 9AM!! Calling All Youth (6th thru 12th grade)

Once we have been given the "all clear" we will be starting a new one hour adventure. Keep a lookout for our starting date as well as details. There will have food and fun!

The next **Drop in Communion** will be held on Wednesday, March 17 from 1:00 – 3:00 PM in the sanctuary. Rev. Joanne Lockard-Hawkins will bless and be serving the communion. She and helpers will offer to pray with you if you ask them for the time.

Subscribe to our LRUMC eBlast

Now more than ever we need to keep in contact with each other. If you are not currently on our weekly e-Blast distribution list we encourage you to do so. By signing up you will be able to receive our weekly e-Blast, links to our bulletins for Sunday Services and on those rare occasions when the Pastors need to get a special note out with changes or other information, you will be informed promptly. To sign up go <https://lrumc.net/2021/01/18/sign-up-for-our-lrumc-e-blast/> there is also a link in our Facebook posts area, or there is a link on our website lrumc.net. We promise not to SPAM you!

Lenten Challenge - 40 Days 40 Items

Rev. Freeman mentioned this challenge on Sunday morning. Instead of giving up something for Lent – the 40 days and 40 (Wednesday Feb 17 thru Thursday, April 1) items challenge is a way of giving back. Each day of Lent, remove one item from your home, which you don't use or wear anymore and place it in a bag. At the end of Lent, donate these items to a shelter or charity. They'll be shared with those who really need them!

NOTE: Please *DO NOT* drop off at the church as we cannot accept them.

*DHEC will be offering Drive Thru Covid **testing only** in the LRUMC parking lot on Thursday, March 4 and March 18.*

Cereal & Powdered Milk Sunday at LRUMC go through tomorrow March 8 at 11:00 AM. Please bring your donations of cereal, powdered milk, jelly, and other items to the church at this time. Place them in the box outside the Life Center doors.

Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 14. Set your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday evening so that you will be on time for church.

THIS WEEK AT LRUMC

Sunday, March 7

- 8:30 Traditional Service In Person
- 9:00 Family Devotion Live Streamed on Facebook
- 9:00 Youth Adventure
- 9:30 Contemporary Service In Person
- 10:30 Pairs & Spares Bible Study via Zoom
- 6:00 UMYF

Monday, March 8

- 9:30 Money Counters, Rm 119
- 10:00 Dignity Ministry, Life Center

Tuesday, March 9

- 11:00 Digital Women's Bible Study, Emily Kirby in Life Center & digital

Wednesday, March 10

- 12:00 Wednesday Church Service, In Person in Sanctuary
- 6:30 Choir Rehearsal in Sanctuary

Thursday, March 11

- 10:00 Dignity Ministry

Friday, March 12

- 5:00 Shepherd's Table Dinner, Food Pick up only

Our Presence on February 28, 2021

In Person Worship Returning from Covid-19 Church Closing.

8:30 AM	48
9:30 AM	73
11:00 AM	39
Worship Total:	160

OUR PRAYERS

Charlie Angelini, Wayne Baker, Carol Bailey, Teresa L. Banner, James Barbato, Hilda Barnes, Roy Betsill & family, Joyce Ann Bolig, Bette Bosworth, Wayne & Jo Booth, Bruce Boulineau, Margaret Brainard, Ray Brick, Helena Burkey, JoAnne Carrison, Rick Clayton, Bonnie Clore, Ron Colyer, Ed Compton, George Clark, Kathy Devine, Teresa & Bud Cox, Fred Crum, Crystal Damron, Pat Deen, Carroll Edwards, Family & friends of Judy Gasper, Betty Guildo, Josh Hancock, Caroline Hester, June Humphreys, Julia Kenney, Hap LaBonge, Bill & Linda Lesler, Bill Lesnick, Jack Loftis, Judy Mattson, Laraine McCaskill, Jeannette McFee, Frankie Melvin, Don & Joyce Miller, Estelle Minicozzi, Mike Mitchell, Jerry Neuss, Frank Palaia, Gary Perkins, Priscilla Rivera, Calvin Saunders, Kathy Shipman, Tom Starnick, Jane Swanson, Jerry & Barbara Titshaw, Diana Troutt, Jim Weeks, Robert Witt, Bonnie Woods

*** Medical Support personnel, First Responders and ALL Essential Workers that are protecting and serving us during this time of need.*

***All military especially those in harm's way.*