

Ridgeview Mennonite Church  
3723 Ridge Road, Gordonville, PA 17529  
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March 25, 2018

*Called by God to learn and share together God's love with all creation*

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** **9:00 AM**

**WORSHIP** **10:15 AM**

Worship Leader: Dick Thomas  
Children's Time: Elaine Shirk  
Nursery: Jason & Sarah Rohrer  
Greeter: Marie Stoltzfus

**Lent 6 – Palm Sunday**

**Between Me & You, and all we lay down. God's promise and God's love grow in surprising ways.**

Prelude  
The Procession of Palms  
Gathering Song  
Welcome/Church at Work  
Meeting God in Silence  
Call to worship

L: Come, people of God, this is the day that the Lord, has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day Jesus enters Jerusalem.

**P: Open the gates of righteousness so that we can enter and give thanks to the Lord.**

L: The gates are open, come on in. Give thanks, For God is good!

Congregational Singing  
Receiving Our Tithes & Offerings  
Children's Time  
Confession

Jesus, Messiah. The crowds around you can be thrilling, or frightening. One moment they are clay in your hands, ready to be shaped. The next they are squeezing you, like putty in a clenched fist, demanding that you conform. Is that what we do?  
When we count the cost of your words for us, it hurts. We get it, why

the masses turned, and your disciples faded away. Do you?

The time is ripe for change, then and now. Why can't you lead that change in a way we understand? How is it that you define success so differently? It scares us to question you. It's worse if we don't.

Forgive us for holding in questions so long that we can't bear the answers. Forgive us for fearing the crowds, and the consequences. Open our eyes and hearts to receive your teaching. Show us again this new way of living. Help us to love like you

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me."

Scriptures: Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29

Message: *"The Failing Faithful"* John 12:12-16 Pastor Mick

Song of Response

Church in Prayer

Sending Song and Benediction

**EASTER SUNDAY:** No Sunday school.

9:00 Fellowship in lobby (pastries, fruit, beverage); 10:15 Worship

### **THIS WEEK**

**Wed 9:00 a.m.** Food Pac

**7:00 p.m.** Search Committee meeting

**Thur 6:30 p.m.** Maundy Thursday Service @ New Holland

**Fri 7:00 p.m.** Good Friday Service @ Ridgeview

### **COMING EVENTS**

**Apr 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3** End of Life Planning series, Thursday evenings, 6:30 p.m.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INGATHERING** for March; items for sewing kits for MCC.

A list of the items is on the project table in the lobby.

