

# NARTHEX NEWS

## FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 28

*Weekly Email Newsletter from Atascocita Presbyterian Church*



*Entry into Jerusalem, Pietro Lorenzetti, 1300's*

### WORSHIP SERVICE MARCH 28

#### Palm Sunday

**Live streamed and  
in person with limited attendance  
10:20-11:30 am**

Lectionary for this Sunday:

Mark 11:1-11

Mark 15:1-39

**Rev Richard Kleiman, will be leading Sunday's worship. You may join the service live streamed on BoxCast or in person at 10:20 am.**

**If you have been worshipping via BoxCast and have thought about when you might return to the sanctuary, be assured that all precautions have been taken to protect every individual. The pews are marked in a way that allows for physical distancing between rows. Hand sanitizers are placed at the front door. Face masks are required (we'll give you one if you don't have one). Please join us if you are comfortable. The Bibles and hymnals are back in the pews!**

**To enhance your Sunday morning worship, you may view or print the Order of Worship from a link on the website.**

**Changes to online viewing of the worship service, classes,  
and meetings are outlined on the last page.**

### LENTEN PRAYER TIMES

and go as you like. A printed Lenten devotional will be provided for your use during prayers. There will not be a formal worship service, this is just an alone time with each individual and God.

Please wear a mask.

**Enjoy opportunities for quiet time in the sanctuary for prayer or meditation during Lent every Thursday at noon until 1 pm through April 1, the sanctuary will be open for you to come**

## SPECIAL EASTER WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES

### **Palm Sunday, March 28**

**Rev Richard Kleiman will be leading worship.  
(In person and BoxCast)**

A palms processional slide show will be made up of families waving their palms as the children have done in the past in the sanctuary.

.....

### **Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service April 1, 7 pm**

**Rev Lynn Hargrove will be leading worship.  
(In person and BoxCast)**

.....

### **Good Friday Prayer Service, April 2, noon**

**Aaron Seay will be leading worship.  
(In person and BoxCast)**

.....

### **Easter Sunday, April 4**



**Children's Activities, 9:30 am**

**Easter Egg Hunt, crafts, and a snack.  
*Bring your basket!***

**Worship, 10:30 am**

**Rev Shelley Craig will be leading worship.  
(In person and BoxCast)**

Children's Faith Formation will meet with Lisa Stacy online **Sunday, March 28 at 9:30 am** by Zoom. Access is on the live streaming page of the APC website.

**FAITH FORMATION  
LESSONS FOR CHILDREN**

**Children's Faith Formation will return to in-person meetings on Sunday, April 11 at 9:30 am.**

Please contact Lisa Stacy by email (lisastacy3@yahoo.com) or by phone (281-852-2986) with any questions or concerns related to APC Children's Ministries.

## **YOUTH MINISTRY**

Join Aaron and the youth group **Sunday, March 28 at 4 pm by Zoom**. Also, keep an eye on social media and Remind texts for any activities coming up.

Aaron may be reached by email (aaron@apchumble.org).

**Presbytery of New Covenant Conclaves retreat is Friday, April 9 through Sunday, April 11.** Friday and Sunday are virtual via Zoom. Saturday the 10th will be in person at the presbytery office from 9 am till 6 pm. **See info below.**

The entire weekend will involve everything our youth are used to seeing at Conclaves: small groups, free time, keynotes, worship, music, ENERGIZERS, and even a mission project.

SIGN UP FOR  
2021 YOUTH CONCLAVES!

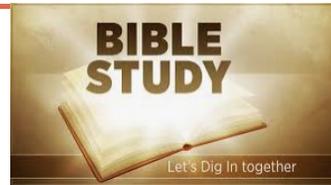
**The best part of the mission project is that EVERYONE from the congregation can get involved!** PYCC is asking each church to gather the donations provided on this list so that each youth group can then bring these items to the in-person portion of Conclaves.

This year's mission project consists of putting together health and wellness kits for those around the Houston area who are experiencing homelessness. We welcome all youth (6th-12th grade) to sign up for Conclaves this year and encourage all who are able to make donations for this mission project to do so!

**Mission project items may include:** individually wrapped snacks and drinks, masks, combs, lip balm, face towels, soap, hand sanitizer, toothbrush, toothpaste, plastic utensils, sunscreen, insect repellent, mints, and socks.

Contact Aaron Seay (aseay@pbyofnewcovenant.org) for registration information.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASS WITH  
PASTOR SHELLEY  
LIVE STREAMED AND IN PERSON



**Sunday, March 28** - We will celebrate both Passion and Palm Sunday this week with Jesus' ironic triumphal entry into Jerusalem, where he is headed for the cross. There's an interesting tension between the Passion of Jesus' coming crucifixion and the crowds (who don't understand that his "hour" has come) with their "hosannas" acknowledging Jesus as the One who comes in the name of the Lord. We'll discuss Mark's Gospel rendition of this processional parade in Mark 11: 1-11

**The class meets in the fellowship hall where we can expand our seating as needed. Or you are welcome to join online via Zoom.** See details outlined on the last page. Class will not meet Easter Sunday, April 4.

DOUGLAS W. KENNARD

EPISTEMOLOGY  
AND LOGIC  
in the New Testament



Doug Kennard's  
Sunday Adult Faith  
Formation class is  
**Sunday, March 28,**  
**from 9:15 to 10:15 am**

through the Zoom invite:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83087066050>.

**Sunday, March 28**, we begin a new book, *Epistemology and the Logic in the New Testament*, by Doug Kennard. Eugene: Wipf & Stock, 2016. 978-1-5326-0815-5 or ebook 978-1-5326-0816-2.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASS  
WITH DOUG KENNARD  
LIVE STREAMED

## PRAYERS, CONCERNS, AND CONDOLENCES



We lift prayers to the Lord for friends and family:

- Those who have contracted Covid-19 and family and friends of those affected.
- Frontline and essential workers with increased exposure to Covid.
- Migrant children at the border in overcrowded conditions, seeking a better life and the parents who felt it was their only option to let them go.
- The Mills family.
- Deondra, Ann Owen's granddaughter, and her young clients at CPS.
- Maddy, Ellen & Russ Nipe's granddaughter.
- Mazie Williams diagnosed with breast cancer.
- George Clark at home in cancer treatment.
- Bart Baker with health concerns.
- The Landry family and their missing son, Jason.
- Nominating committee and their decisions.
- David Lasinsky experiencing neuropathy and side effects from chemo.
- Carol Hedgepath with health concerns.
- Richard Munoz with health concerns.
- Sandy Lee's cousin has gone to hospice.
- Peace and comfort to the family of Darrell Williams, Clay McCool's cousin, has passed away.
- Carie Anne, Emily Murphy's daughter, medical testing.
- Sine McCarty has been moved to hospice.
- The Kepharts and Bev O'Brien.

Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world.

This Lenten season, please give generously to One Great Hour of Sharing to support the ministries of Presbyterian Hunger Program, Self-Development of People, and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.

**Typically received during the season of Lent, your gifts will be accepted now through April 4.**

The Presbyterian Foundation has set up an additional option when clicking on the Give Now button on the church website. There is now a One Great Hour of Sharing fund option to accept your donation. All online giving is subject to a 2% transaction fee. Thank you for your generosity!



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

## WE CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF JULIE ARNOLD

Julie, long time friend and member of APC passed away Friday, March 5. She is survived by her loving husband, Bob, along with four sons and their families. Bob and his family have prepared a tribute of Julie's life and

have shared it with APC. To read the full article, please click on the following link:  
[https://apchumble.org/julie\\_arnold\\_obituary.php](https://apchumble.org/julie_arnold_obituary.php)

A memorial service will be planned at a later date.



Easter lilies will be in the sanctuary by Palm Sunday. Four lilies remain

## EASTER LILIES IN THE SANCTUARY

available for you to purchase for \$10 each

in memory of or in honor of your loved one. Please go to the APC website ([apchumble.org](http://apchumble.org)) and click on the "Give Now" button. Choose how many lilies you would like then email the church office to specify to whom the lilies are purchased.



## CALL THE SHOT SHUTTLE!

Vaccinations are more readily available and we want to make sure those within our congregation will have transportation to and from the vaccination sites.

**Call the Shot Shuttle** when you receive notification that you have an appointment for a specific time and place to get vaccinated for Covid-19. We will see that you get to your appointment. Don't miss your appointment just because transportation is an issue.

**Call the church office (281-852-8990) to let Carroll know if you need a ride and she will contact a driver.**

## FUN & GAMES

**WACKY WEDNESDAY!** Children from 3 yrs (potty trained) through those entering fifth grade are invited to come to APC **Wednesday, March 31,**

**from 5 till 6:30 pm** for games, crafts, and hot dogs.

Please RSVP to Lisa Stacy by phone (281-852-2986), email ([lisastacy3@yahoo.com](mailto:lisastacy3@yahoo.com)), or church office (281-852-8990).

We celebrate with Rev Lynn Hargrove on her 19 years in ministry!



Have you been spending the pandemic doing jigsaw puzzles? If so, the Spiritual Fellowship Committee would like for you to join us in sharing the ones you have finished with others. If you have adult and/or children's puzzles, **bring them to the church in a bag marked SFC.** We'll wipe the boxes with disinfectant before putting them out on the table in the library.

Rules (always with the rules):

1. Bring only gently used puzzles.
2. Bring only puzzles with all the pieces in the original boxes.
3. Put the pieces in one or two sealable bags so they won't sneak out of the box.

Suggestion: You could put the edge pieces in one bag and the rest in another. (Yeah, some of us are that lazy.)  
Enjoy the ones you take home.

After the darkness of Christ's death came the glory of the resurrection! Christ singlehandedly defeated the power of sin and death. In this moment, our death-bound reality cracked open and all heaven's HOPE BURSTS loose! This is the hope and power and joy of the empty tomb. This Easter Season, KSBJ will be bursting with messages of HOPE.

This Holy Week, KSBJ will be recounting the steps of Christ leading up to His death and resurrection.

**Text EASTER to 893893 to receive a daily real-time text message of the events leading to the cross.**



**KIDS  
HOPE  
USA**

Kids Hope USA builds life-changing relationships one at a time: One Child. One Hour. One Church. One School. The program provides structure, training, support, and resources designed for use

in public schools by churches, as well as ongoing materials and a support team for personal assistance.

**APC needs a volunteer program director in order to get our program going again in time for the 2021 fall semester.** Someone who will lead volunteers and serve as the key point of contact with our school partner. In Humble ISD there are two or three elementary schools from which we can choose. Please volunteer by calling the church office (281-852-8990).

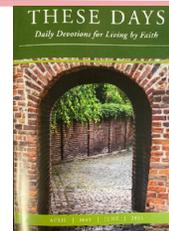
Family Promise has welcomed a second family into the network this week and are expecting a third family to join us in the coming weeks. The day center experienced major damage during the Big Freeze a few weeks ago but repairs are underway.



**The directors have sent out a special request to their church partners (of which APC is one!) for 3T pull-up disposable diapers and facial tissues.** For convenience consider ordering on Amazon and having items delivered to: 111 S Ave G, Humble TX 77338. Thank you for your generosity!

## THESE DAYS DAILY DEVOTIONAL

*These Days* daily devotionals (April -June) may be picked up in the narthex. The online pdf is not available yet. March may be viewed online at: <http://www.apchumble.org/devotions/2021-03.pdf>



### **Monday Mar 29**

9:30 am Yoga - fellowship hall

### **Tuesday Mar 30**

10:00 am Mission Crafters - craft room  
10:00 am Worship Committee - live streamed

## CALENDAR

### **Wednesday Mar 31**

5:00 pm Wacky Wednesday - fellowship hall

### **Thursday Apr 1 Maundy Thursday**

12:00 pm Lenten Devotional - sanctuary  
6:30 pm Mission Committee - by email  
7:00 pm Tenebrae servicer - sanctuary and Zoom

### **Friday, April 2 Good Friday**

12:00 pm Prayer service - sanctuary and Zoom

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE MONDAY, MARCH 29

## MAKING YOUR PLEDGE OR DONATION BY ONLINE GIVING



Click on the "Give Now" button on the APC website ([apchumble.org](http://apchumble.org)) and you'll be taken to a giving page with our church photo at the top. You can set the frequency of your gift, proceed as a guest, or create a profile, and charge the gift to your checking or saving account or to your credit card.

**During this time, you may also select three other funds in which to contribute - Esther Crosby Memorial Fund, Easter Lilies, and One Great Hour of Sharing.**

Your gift will be electronically deposited in our checking account on a regular basis. You may also cover the cost of the fee charged to APC along with your donation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either Forrest Craig ([finance@apchumble.org](mailto:finance@apchumble.org)) or Will Nees ([seen27@embarqmail.com](mailto:seen27@embarqmail.com)).

## CONTACT APC STAFF

Carroll Hebert ([apc@apchumble.org](mailto:apc@apchumble.org)) is in the office Monday through Thursday, from 9 am until 2 pm. Aaron Seay may be reached by email: [aaron@apchumble.org](mailto:aaron@apchumble.org)

## PASTORAL CARE

Please contact your deacon or elder for the month of March is Susie Shelton, phone 832-483-6120.

## ONLINE VIEWING OF WORSHIP SERVICES, CLASSES, AND MEETINGS

**Sunday worship is through BoxCast, a professional live streaming application.**

To get the BoxCast video: From the website home screen ([apchumble.org](http://apchumble.org)) –click on the "Our Next Live Broadcast" link or anywhere on the picture with the count-down clock showing the time remaining to the start of the broadcast. When the play button appears in place of the count-down clock, click on it and the broadcast begins.

Click on the red "HELP - How to View BoxCast" if you need assistance. Note that you can put the mouse cursor on the video (on a computer) or touch the video (on a phone or tablet) to show the control bar and from there you can enlarge the video to full screen, pause it, or adjust the volume.

If you're a little late arriving or want to watch later, you can view the entire broadcast from the beginning. Use the chat screen to the right of the broadcast or email us ([youbelong@apchumble.org](mailto:youbelong@apchumble.org)) to let us know that you're watching or give us feedback.

If you would prefer to watch the worship service on your big screen TV and have a Roku, Apple TV, or Amazon Fire TV stick attached, you can add the BoxCast Channel, open that channel, and search for "Atascocita" to view the broadcast.

**All meetings and Faith Formation classes are via ZOOM.** A change in their security protocols require either a passcode or a waiting room to gain entry.

Shelley's and Doug's Faith Formation classes now have waiting rooms when you first enter the meeting. The meeting host will release you from the waiting room and admit you to the meeting.

All other ZOOM meetings require a passcode. The meeting passcode is shown next to the meeting link on the church website.

**Any time there are technical difficulties in connecting to the Wednesday devotion or worship, please know that those services are available for viewing on the website on the "Worship" tab, drop-down menu, "Worship Services and Devotional Archives."**