

## Two Words for Holy Week: 'Hosanna' and 'Hallelujah'

By Rev. Frank Wyche, Pastor

Sunday, April 13, is called both Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday.

The Sunday before Easter is called Palm Sunday because that was when Jesus made his Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem. As part of their welcome for him, many of those in the crowd cut palm branches and laid them in the road, like "rolling out the red carpet," or waved the branches in celebration as if they were signs or banners.

The Sunday before Easter is also Passion Sunday because it is the last Sunday before what is called the Passion of the Christ, which refers to Jesus' Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, his betrayal and arrest, his illegal trial and abuse at the hands of Jewish leaders, his appearances before Pilate and Herod, his abuse and mockery at the hands of the Romans, and finally his crucifixion and death.

Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday is also the beginning of Holy Week, which is the week between Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday and Easter. Special days during that week are Maundy Thursday, remembering the Last Supper and the commandment of Jesus that the disciples love one another just as he had loved them; Good Friday, remembering his crucifixion and death; and Holy Saturday, remembering his time in the tomb before being raised on Easter Sunday, the Day of Resurrection.

Two words come to mind when thinking of Holy Week. The first word is "Hosanna," which the crowds shouted during Jesus' Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The second word is "Hallelujah," which is the word of celebration Christians apply to Easter Sunday, the Day of Resurrection.

"Hosanna" is a Hebrew word that means "save us" or "rescue us," or "save/rescue us now." It is used in the Hebrew Bible (Christian Old Testament) only in the sense of asking God to save or rescue. In the New Testament, however, it is used by the crowds welcoming Jesus into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, and praising him as the Messiah, or the Savior of Israel.

We find a connection between these two meanings when we look at Psalm 118 verse 25, and the first sentence of verse 26: "Save us, we beseech thee, O LORD!

# APRIL

**Sunday, April 6** – 5th Sunday in Lent; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

**Monday-Thursday, April 7-10** – Set-up for PW Yard, Bake & Jelly Sale in Fellowship Hall

**Tuesday, April 8** – Circles 1 & 2, 1:30 p.m.

**Friday-Saturday, April 11-12** – PW Yard, Bake & Jelly Sale, 8 a.m.-1:00 p.m. both days

**Sunday, April 13** – Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday, First day of Holy Week; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

**Friday, April 18** – Good Friday; Sanctuary open 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.; Worship Service at 7:00 p.m.

**Saturday, April 19** – Easter Egg Hunt followed by Hot Dog Lunch for children who are toddlers through Grade 5, 10:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, April 20** – Easter, the Day of Resurrection; Easter Fellowship Breakfast, 9:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m. with the Lord's Supper; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

**Monday, April 21** – Easter Monday, Church Office Closed

**Thursday, April 24** – Session meets, 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday, April 27** – Youth Sunday; Second Sunday of Easter; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, April 30** – PEP Club, 1:00 p.m.

**Thursday, April 24** – Session meets, 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday, May 4** – Relay for Life Luncheon to fight cancer will be held following morning worship

O LORD, we beseech thee, give us success! Blessed be he who enters in the name of the LORD!" (Revised Standard Version.)

These verses call on God to save in Hebrew scripture, but also foresee the time that Jesus will be recognized as the Blessed One who comes in the name of the Lord to save us as the Messiah, according to Christian scripture in the New Testament (in Mark 11:9-10 and also in

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# Minutes For Regular Session Meeting Held Dec. 19

The Session of Hebron Presbyterian Church held its stated monthly meeting on Thursday, Feb. 27. Minutes were approved March 27 and are printed here:

**Present:** Elders Jan Botkin, Hannah Bush, Nicola Cahill, Robert Christian, Tom Cook, Michael Ruleman, Allen Martin, Jim McGavock, Noah Turnage, Joann Weikert, Clerk of Session Robin Moyer, and Moderator Rev. Frank Wyche. **Excused:** Elders Jon Arneson, Lorrie Dean, and Doug Trimble. **Absent:** Elder Ross Shull. **Guest:** David Obenschain.

A quorum being present, the Moderator opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with prayer and devotions from 1 John 4:16-17 on God's infinite love.

Guest David Obenschain gave a report on our Scouting program. He said Ross Shull has agreed to be the new Liaison between the Scouts and Hebron. He also reported that the Cub Scout Pack has disbanded and will not be re-chartered for 2014. The Pack will re-charter whenever sufficient numbers of Cub Scouts want to join.

**Clerk's Report:** Session approved minutes of the Dec. 19 Stated meeting and the Jan. 24 Called meeting. Clerk presented 2013 Annual Statistical Report and was approved by Session. A thank you was received from Shenandoah Presbytery for the 2014 Benevolent Giving.

**Annual Business:** Session members were asked to inform the Moderator of the committee(s) on which they wished to serve. Robin Moyer was elected Clerk for 2014. Michael Ruleman was elected Treasurer for 2014. The Annual Congregational Meeting was scheduled for March 16, 2014. Session elected Lorrie Dean, chair, and Robert Christian as elders to serve on the Church Nominating Committee. Articles for Hebron's Annual Report are due as soon as possible. Session approved the recommendation of the Church Roll Review Committee to move six members from active to inactive status.

**Treasurer's Report:** A handout was provided by Treasurer Michael Ruleman with a detailed Report of Fund Balances as of February 27, 2014 including a Budget vs. Actual Report. The general fund continues in the red at (-\$14,960.81). The total in our checking and savings stands at \$103,308.65. Expenses are higher this period due to fuel expenses and extreme cold weather.

**Presbytery Matters:** Elder Hannah Bush reported on the Shenandoah Presbytery meeting on February 8, 2014 at Harrisonburg First Church. The minutes are posted online at:

<http://shenpres.org/meeting-documents/>



## Committee Reports

**Finance** (Robin Moyer, Mike Ruleman): Copies of budget will be available in the vestibules. Committee will meet to discuss funds.

**Personnel** (Hannah Bush): No report.

**Property** (Hannah Bush, Robert Christian, Tom Cook, Jim McGavock, Doug Trimble, Noah Turnage): A light was replaced in the balcony. A new digital thermostat will be installed. Thanks to everyone who helped with snow removal.

**Worship** (Joanne Weikert, Hannah Bush): Next Communion will be on Transfiguration Sunday, March 2. Lent begins Wednesday, March 5.

**Cemetery** (Tom Cook, Noah Turnage): The road in the upper cemetery is not in bad shape after the severe weather we have had.

**Commitment/Witness** (Mike Ruleman): Minutes from last meeting were emailed to Session members. The offering on Scout Sunday was \$416; \$208 will be sent to the Boy Scouts, while the Cub Scouts' half of the offering will be held by the church until a new Pack is formed.

**Christian Ed** (Nicola Cahill): The Hebron Youth Group made \$325 catering a Scout event Feb. 1 and raised about \$1,000 at the Souper Bowl of Caring luncheon on Feb. 23, with all of that money to go to the Verona Food Pantry. Youth Advisor and Church Treasurer said that with anticipated additional pledges yet to be received, the Youth Group would end up giving more than \$1,400 to the Food Pantry. Session approved the new curriculum for the Adult Sunday School Class, *Twelve Unlikely Heroes*. The Children's Sunday School has started a new program on the first Sunday of each month, *Celebration Sunday*. The Hebron Youth will again sponsor the Easter Egg Hunt on April 19, to be followed by a Hot Dog Lunch. Session approved holding Vacation Bible School June 15 through June 19. Eighteen people attended a James Madison University

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basketball game as part of a Youth Group outing.

Congregational Ministries (Jon Arneson, Lorrie Dean, Joann Weikert): No report, but please keep the church office or Joann Weikert (294-4374) informed of any pastoral or emergency needs.

Fellowship/Service (Lorrie Dean, Doug Trimble): No report.

**Pastor's Report:** Bible study continues on Wednesday mornings; during Lent we will focus on the book of Micah. Home Communion has been held up by severe weather and a couple of colds the Pastor has had, as well as sickness among some of our shut-ins. Plans are to finish the March newsletter tomorrow so that it will be available at the March 2 worship service.

**New Business:** Two transactions from the Community Assistance Fund were approved by Session: \$200 will help someone with heating expenses; and \$150 to help someone with general expenses.

The next Stated Session Meeting will be Thursday, March 27, at 7:00 p.m. The blessings and prayer concerns of the congregation, friends, and relatives were shared by Session for corporate and individual prayer. The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the moderator at 8:15 p.m.

### *Annual Meeting Held March 16*

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation of Hebron Presbyterian Church was held Sunday, March 16, 2014, immediately following the morning worship service. The Rev. Frank H. Wyche, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 11:58 a.m. The meeting was opened with prayer by the moderator. By common consent, Robin Moyer, Clerk of Session, was appointed to serve as recording secretary of the meeting. A quorum was declared present.

There were three items of business for this meeting:

- *Presentation of the Annual Report:* The Moderator reviewed the contents of the 2013 Annual Report and copies were distributed to the congregation.

- *Presentation of the 2014 Church Budget:* The Church Budget for 2014 was adopted by the Session at its December, 2013, meeting. Copies of the 2014 Church Budget having been made available, Treasurer Michael Ruleman opened the floor for discussion or questions. There being no questions or comments, the Budget was received by the congregation and the meeting continued.

- *Session Recommendation to Increase Pastor's Salary by 2%:* Congregations are required to review the Pastor's Terms of Call annually. The Session recom-

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Matthew 21:9). As a cry of celebration rather than a plea for help or rescue, Christians think of Hosanna as affirming that God has saved us in Jesus, the Messiah.

Our second word, "hallelujah" (or sometimes written as *alleluia*) means "praise the LORD" in Hebrew. When we translate Hebrew scripture into English, the word is translated as "praise the LORD." For example, Psalms 111, 112, 113 and others all begin "Praise the LORD! (In fact, Psalm 113 begins *and ends* with "Praise the LORD!")"

Whenever the word occurs in the New Testament, however, we say "Hallelujah" instead of translating the word as "praise the Lord." For example, Revelation 19:1 says, "After this I heard what seemed to be the loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, crying, 'Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God'" (Revised Standard Version).

In both Hebrew scripture and the Christian New Testament, "hallelujah" is a cry of praise to God, both in recognizing God's goodness and greatness, and also as an expression of thanks for God's blessings.

In Christian history, one of the traditional call-and-response greetings for Easter is for the first person to declare, "Alleluia! He is risen!" and for the second to answer, "He is risen indeed! Alleluia, alleluia!"

"Hosanna" is especially associated with Palm Sunday, and "Hallelujah" is especially associated with celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus, and the glory and majesty of God. These words and their original meanings are certainly worthy of contemplation during Holy Week, as we consider God's action in providing a Savior for humanity, in response to which we can only praise and thank God. And hallelujah for that!

*Pastor Frank*

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mended increasing the Pastor's 2014 cash salary with a 2% cost of living increase, as recommended by Shenandoah Presbytery. After allowing time for discussion, the congregation voted to approve the recommendation. The pastor's compensation for 2014 is as follows: Salary, \$38,959; Pension/Major Medical, 17,700; Social Security, 4,200; Continuing Education, 2,500; Housing Equity, 1,200; Travel, 1,000; Professional Expenses, 1,000; Cell Phone, 540; Home Phone, 228. Value of Total Compensation: \$67,297.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed with prayer by the Moderator at 12:15 p.m.

## Join Us For Easter Breakfast



## Easter Morning Breakfast

Please plan to join us for breakfast on Easter Sunday, April 20, at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The Worship Committee will once again host the breakfast, which includes bacon and eggs, breakfast casseroles, toast and jelly, fruit, pastries, and coffee and other beverages.

This annual event is a wonderful time for food and fellowship on the most important day on the Christian Calendar. The meal is free, so please come join us!

## The Church Needs Your Help

Hebron needs your help! Church committees have been named, but our committees only work properly when we have members of the congregation in addition to officers working on church committees.

If you are able to help, please contact one of the elders working with the following committees:

Cemetery: Tom Cook, Noah Turnage, Jan Botkin

Christian Education: Nicola Cahill, Mike Ruleman.

Commitment/Witness: Robin Moyer, Mike Ruleman.

Congregational Ministries: Jon Arneson, Joann Weikert.

Fellowship/Service: Jan Botkin, Lorrie Dean, Doug Trimble.

Finance/Stewardship: Hannah Bush, Mike Ruleman, Ross Shull.

Personnel: Hannah Bush.

Property: Robert Christian, Tom Cook, Allen Martin, Jim McGavock, Doug Trimble, Noah Turnage.

Worship: Joann Weikert, Hannah Bush.

## One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will once again be received at Hebron Presbyterian Church on Easter Sunday, which is April 20 this year.

Although this is one of the four special offerings Hebron collects in association with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), One Great Hour of Sharing is not specifically a Presbyterian offering. It is an interdenominational effort, as Christians in the U.S. come together to collect this offering for those in need.

Today, projects are underway in more than 100 countries, including the United States and Canada. Throughout the 1990s, gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing were more than \$20 million annually. While specific alloca-



## April Birthdays And Anniversaries

April birthdays are:

Patsy Shull	1		
Noah Smiley	2		
Ellen Stone Johnson	3		
Mildred Ruleman	3		
Dalton Moyer	6		
Ray Harris	13		
Bobby Crawford	16		
Robbie Riley	16		
Jean Miller	17		
Cindy Griffin	19		
Giles Trimble	19	Nicola Cahill	26
Barbara Harmon	21	Hilda Dundas	28
Jim Crawford	24	Phil Carpenter	29
Mark Lyle	25	Alex Kirtley	29
Nancy Cline	26	Anita Tuttle	29



**Very special birthday wishes** to Giles Trimble who will be 91 on April 19; Nancy Cline who will be 88 on April 26; and to Hilda Dundas who will be 87 on April 28.

**Congratulations** to Phil and Maxine Carpenter who will be married 55 years on April 11.

If you know of someone who should be included on these lists, please call the church at 886-1648.

## PEP Club Will Meet April 30

The PEP Club will hold its monthly covered-dish luncheon on Wednesday, April 30, at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Sandy Showalter will present a program on herbs. Please prepare a dish and come join us!

tions differ in each denomination, all use their One Great Hour of Sharing funds to make possible disaster relief, refugee assistance, and development aid.

Church World Service, a division of the National Council of Churches, with overseas partner churches and church councils are often the first on the scene following a disaster of natural or human origin. Local church leaders identify the needs of their people. Priorities are set to bring long-term solutions that will improve the quality of life for individuals and communities around the world. One Great Hour of Sharing, nearly 50 years old, continues to respond to needs equally critical as when it was first created.



Hebron supports two of the main emphases in the PCUSA distribution of the offering: Hunger Relief, and Emergency Disaster Assistance. Offering envelopes are available in the Vestibules and in the Session Room behind the Sanctuary. More information will also be presented in Sunday worship bulletins.



# April 2014

## Hebron Presbyterian Church

Sunday School 9:55 A.M./Worship 11 A.M.

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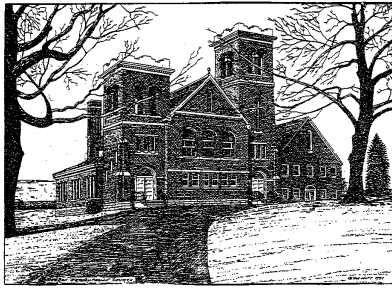
Sunday Services:

Sunday School, 9:55 A.M.

Morning Worship, 11:00 A.M.

Youth Group, 6:30-8:00 P.M.

Bible Study: Wednesday, 10:00 A.M.



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## ***Time To Get Busy: PW Yard, Bake & Jelly Sale April 11-12***

Hebron's annual Yard, Bake and Jelly Sale will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Friday and Saturday, April 11-12, from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. both days. There will be a food booth, so come for lunch.

The Presbyterian Women hope to have a large variety of items to sell such as antiques, glassware, household items, linens, jewelry, small pieces of furniture, yard/garden tools, perennials, toys, knickknacks, etc.

### ***Relay For Life Luncheon Set For May 4***

The Beverley Manor Relay for Life Team will hold its annual luncheon at Hebron on Sunday, May 4, following morning worship. Relay for Life is one of the many organizations helping with the fight against cancer.

The Beverley Manor Relay for Life Team has held fund-raising meals at Hebron for several years and they have always been successful. Look for more details about this year's luncheon in Sunday worship bulletins during April.

In order to have time to price and display items nicely, all donations must be received by Monday, April 7, at 4:00 p.m. Many volunteers will be needed the week of April 7 to unpack, display, price and sell all of the items.

We also hope everyone will make at least one item to be sold with the baked goods.

Although the event has been publicized, we still need everyone to help "spread the word" about the sale. Posters are available in the vestibules for you to take your place of business, etc.

All profits will go to support the Beverley Manor Weekday Religious Education program. Everyone's help and donations are needed to make this another successful event!

