

Volume 33

# The Methodist Messenger

March 2026

Ecclesiastes 3 explains that everything has its time, to everything there is a season, and a purpose under heaven for these times. As we enter a new month in 2026, my hope for you is that no matter what season of life you are facing, whether good or bad, you continue looking straight ahead at Christ with His word as a lamp unto your feet. Through the mountains and the valleys, He remains a sovereign and loving God! Have a wonderful March!



**YOU KNOW THE DRILL!**

**DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP TO BRING DONUTS  
OR TO SERVE AS A LITURGIST ON SUNDAYS!  
OUR VOLUNTEERS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED  
FOR SERVING HAMLIN MEMORIAL!**

## THE LIGHTHOUSE MISSION



**What it is, & what we do!**

The Lighthouse Mission has been serving Christ and the Clovis community for over 30 years by providing shelter, meals, clothing, and support to those in need, including individuals facing homelessness or addiction. Their mission is to meet the needs of the whole person—body, soul, and spirit—through physical, financial, and spiritual aid. Every third Thursday, our church joins in this ministry by preparing and serving a meal, sharing Christ's love through service and compassion.



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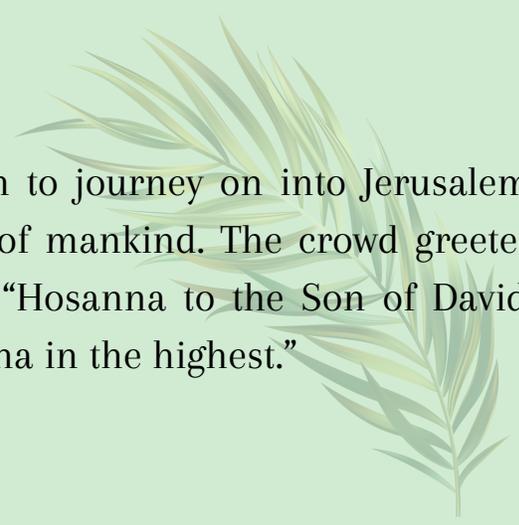
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# *Celebrating the Christian Calendar*

*Holy Week + March 30th-April 4th*

## **Palm Sunday**

Jesus instructed his disciples to fetch a donkey for him to journey on into Jerusalem. This journey was leading him to be killed for the sins of mankind. The crowd greeted Him into Jerusalem by waving palm branches, yelling, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest.”

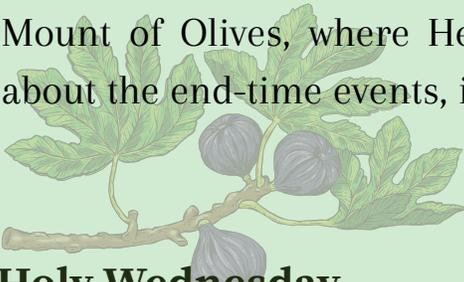


## **Holy Monday**

Jesus and his disciples returned to Jerusalem, where he cursed a fig tree for failing to bear fruit, which symbolized God’s judgment on Israel’s spiritually dead religious leaders. Jesus visited the Temple, where he overturned the tables of corrupt money changers.

## **Holy Tuesday**

Jewish leaders were at the Temple, enraged at Jesus for making himself known as a spiritual authority. They attempted to ambush and arrest Jesus, but he eluded their traps and declared severe judgments over them. Then, Jesus and his disciples went to the Mount of Olives, where He delivered a sermon in parables, using symbolic language about the end-time events, including His second coming and the final judgement.



## **Holy Wednesday**

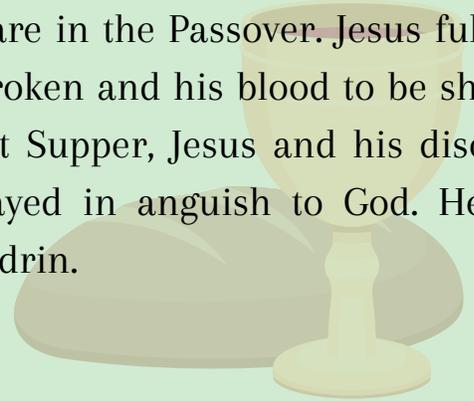
Although it is not affirmed what happened on this day, theologians consider that Jesus and his disciples rested in expectation of the Passover after spending two days in Jerusalem. It is also traditionally believed that Judas agreed to betray Jesus on the Wednesday before Easter Sunday

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## **Maundy Thursday**

Jesus washed his disciples' feet as they prepared to share in the Passover. Jesus fulfilled the purpose of the Passover by giving his body to be broken and his blood to be shed in sacrifice, saving us from sin and death. After the Last Supper, Jesus and his disciples went to the Garden of Gethsemane, where Jesus prayed in anguish to God. He was betrayed with a kiss by Judas and arrested by the Sanhedrin.



## **Good Friday**

Jesus suffered the shame of false accusations, rebukes, ridicule, whippings, and abandonment. He was condemned to death by crucifixion after several unlawful trials. Soldiers pierced him with a crown of thorns while mocking him. Jesus carried his cross to Calvary where He was nailed to the wooden cross.

## **Holy Saturday**

Jesus was laid in the tomb, being watched during the day by Roman Soldiers. Joseph and Nicodemus recognized and followed Christ as the long-awaited Messiah, and together, they cared for Jesus' body and prepared it for burial. As his physical body lay in the tomb, Jesus conquered death both spiritually and physically, securing our eternal salvation.

*We look forward to seeing you and your families on Easter Sunday to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ!*





# Pastor's Peace

## **Scripture of the Month**

**Acts 3:19**

**“Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.”**

## **Devotional from Pastor Troy**

Acts chapter three is the story of Peter and John heading to the temple to worship. As they reach the temple gate, they encounter a paralyzed man asking for money. Peter proceeds to tell the man that he has no money, but what he does have, he will give him. He then takes the man's hand and says, “In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk.” The man is healed, and the people around are amazed at the miracle they just witnessed. Peter then seizes the opportunity and begins to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ. It's during this sermon that Peter tells the people to repent and turn to God so that their sins may be forgiven and times of refreshing may come. This month, as we continue to observe the season of Lent, we can look to this verse knowing that these words are just as true to us now as they were then. Lent is a time to repent and fully return to the Lord. As we do so, we are comforted in knowing that our sins will be “blotted out” and that we ourselves will experience these times of refreshing. As we direct our lives and hearts back to God, He responds by giving us peace, joy, and comfort. This is what Peter means by “times of refreshing”. The presence of the Lord in our lives is sweeter than anything else we can experience in this world. Yet we all allow worldly pursuits to distract us. Let Lent be a season that helps us rid ourselves of those distractions and rest in His presence.

HAMLIN MEMORIAL  
METHODIST CHURCH &  
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

*Joint Egg Hunt*



HOW YOU CAN HELP

- EGG & CANDY DONATIONS
- VOLUNTEERS TO HELP PRE-FILL EGGS
- VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH THE EVENT





## *Birthdays*

3/2 WANNA BOCK

3/2 BRAD REEVES

3/8 TODD CHRISTIAN

3/16 TIM KASEL

3/24 KRISTIN KASEL

3/24 RORY POMPER

3/31 SHERYL CHRISTIAN

## *Anniversaries*

3/2 SCOTT & MEGAN TERRY

3/7 TROY & TERRI STALLINGS



## *Upcoming Events*

3/1 CLUSTER CONFERENCE

3/4 YOUTH & EPIC KIDS 5:30 PM

3/11 YOUTH & EPIC KIDS 5:20 PM

3/16-3/20 TEXICO & FARWELL SCHOOLS SPRING BREAK

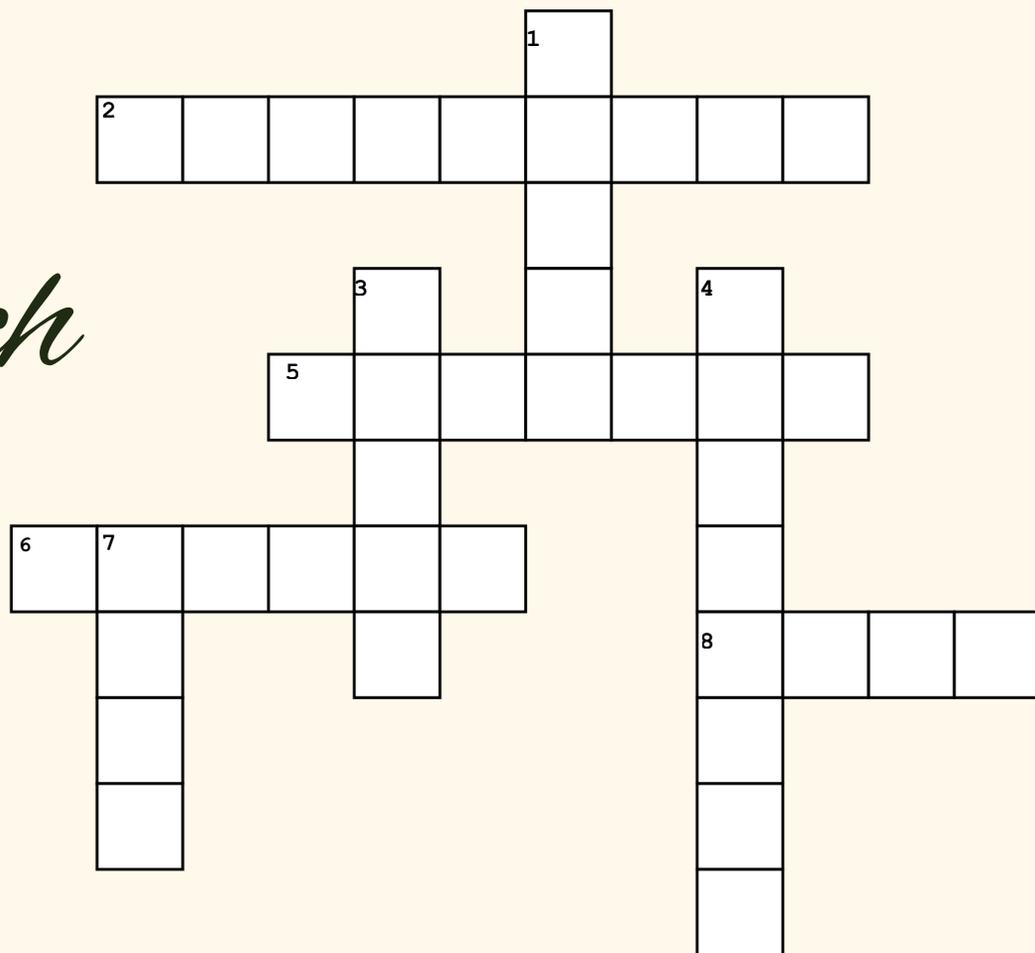
3/19 LIGHTHOUSE MISSION 12 PM (NM TIME)

3/20 GOLDEN GLORIES 10 AM

3/25 YOUTH & EPIC KIDS 5:30 PM

3/29 PALM SUNDAY

# March



## Across

2. holiday, celebrating the foremost patron saint of Ireland
5. a symbol of God's promise that stretches colorfully in the sky
6. the best place to be on Sunday morning
8. a season of preparing for Easter Sunday



## Down

1. the color of the month of March
3. is the third month of the year
4. a rare clover symbolizing good luck, faith, and hope
7. description of the week leading up to Easter Sunday



*Have a blessed month!*