**Clarksburg Community Church** 

# Chimes

P.O. Box 36 Clarksburg, CA 95612



# ~ March – 2018 ~

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## What is Palm Sunday?

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem, days before he was crucified.

Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will often receive palm fronds which they use to participate in the reenactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem.

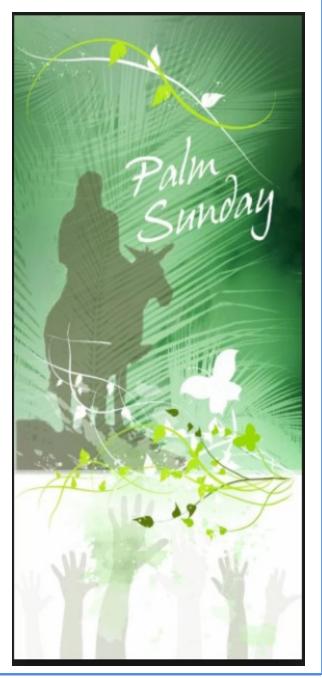
In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey, and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes, or possibly palms or small branches, in front of him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect.

Palm branches are widely recognized symbol of peace and victory, hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday

The use of a donkey instead of a horse is highly symbolic; it represents the humble arrival of someone in peace, as opposed to arriving on a steed in war.

5 days later, Christ would die on the cross, then rise from the dead, on the first Easter.

'So it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead' *Luke 24:46* 



#### FROM THE PASTOR

We are a busy people! We are busy working and paying bills, studying and getting through school, taking care of children and aging parents, seeing family and friends, celebrating birthdays and holidays, maintaining our homes and yards and vehicles, exercising and taking care of our health, shopping and preparing and eating meals, pursuing hobbies and traveling, keeping up and trying to get ahead – morning to night, weekdays and weekends, seasons and year after year. Life is filled with activity and doing.

Are we too busy? I cannot and will not try to answer for you, but I will suggest the following for your consideration. When we start complaining about being too busy or use it as an excuse not to do what we believe is important in life, it is time to stop and evaluate and establish priorities. The season of Lent is a good time to seek God and ask him to "Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom "(Psalm 90.12) and to take seriously Jesus' teaching to "seek first the kingdom of God" (Matthew 6.33).

Here are some questions I have learned to ask myself: Am I too busy for God-for prayer, Bible reading and study, worship and service to others? Am I too busy for my family, my spouse, children, grandchildren, parents? Am I too busy for my church family and friends and neighbors? Am I too busy to love the Lord my God and my neighbor? Is Jesus saying of me as he said of Mary, in Luke 10.42, that I have chosen what is better/best to do? **Pastor Dennis Montzingo** 

Holy Week Services		
March 25 <sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM	Palm/Passion Sunday	
March 29 <sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM	Maundy Thursday	
March 30 <sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM	Good Friday	
April 1 <sup>st</sup> 6:30 AM	Easter Sunrise	
April 1 <sup>st</sup> 11:00 AM	Easter Service	

Worship in March Sunday School all ages 9:30 am Worship Service Begins at 11:00 am		
March 4	"Remember" Deuteronomy 9. 1-7	Lent Communion
March 9 Friday 6:30 PM	Lenten Service	
March 11	Scout Sunday	Lent
March 16 Friday 6:30 PM	Lenten Service	
March 18	"No Other Gods" Deuteronomy 12. 29 13. 18	Lent Bell Choir
March 23 Friday 6:30 PM	Lenten Service	
March 25	"Blessings and Curses" Deuteronomy 17. 9-6	Palm/Passion Sunday Children's Choirs
March 29 Thursday 6:30 PM	Maundy Thursday	
March 30 Friday 6:30 PM	Good Friday	
April 1 6:30 AM Sunrise		Easter Sunrise
April 1	"Chose Life" Deuteronomy 30. 11-20	Easter, Bell Choir Communion

#### LENTEN SERVICES – FRIDAY EVENINGS 6:30 PM

Take a moment and consider attending Lenten worship service on Friday evenings from 6:30 PM-7:00 PM, for a service of prayer and meditation and communion in the church sanctuary. The theme this year is Jesus and His I **Am Statements** in the Gospel of John. Lenten Services are through March 30th. *Join us as we make this a season of seeking Jesus In our lives.* 

## \*\* UPCOMING EVENTS \*\*

## MEN'S GROUP – MARCH 3<sup>rd</sup>

All men are invited to our Men's group. We meet on the first Saturday of the month at 6:30 AM at the church.

## SENIOR LUNCH – MARCH 20<sup>th</sup>

The next lunch is **March 20<sup>th</sup>** at noon, meeting at the Clarksburg Community Church. Join us for a gathering of friendship, fellowship and great food prepared by willing cooks!

### CUB SCOUTS PINEWOOD DERBY MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup>

9:00 AM Clarksburg Community Church.

## SANCTUARY CLEAN-UP – MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup>

Saturday, March 24 from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM we will be deep cleaning our sanctuary. Calling all men, women and children! Come join in the fun in readying our sanctuary for the arrival of Jesus on Palm Sunday and into Holy Week and Easter. Bring your dust cloths, your energy and a willing heart to "prepare the way for the Lord!"

## FREE EXERCISE AND FUNCTIONAL

**GROUP TRAINING** w/Bianca Hoffmann Be ready to have some fun, while getting fit. Thursdays at 6:00 PM @ Clarksburg Library. Bring: Water Bottle, Mat and any Preferred Weights. Each Class has a Theme. Free for the Month of March 2018. Any questions please contact Bianca @bsbfit4life@gmail.com

## \*\* ON GOING EVENTS \*\*

## MONDAY BIBLE STUDY 9:30 to 11:00 AM

We have chosen a Max Lucado book entitled "Grace: More Than We Deserve - Greater Than We Imagine" Please contact Charlyn Connor to see if you are interested.

#### UNION GOSPEL MISSION DONATIONS OPPORTUNITY

For the month of March we will be collecting socks, underwear (new or gently used, all sizes), diapers and feminine hygiene products. Please put all donations in the blue bin in the Garden room at church. Thank you! \*\*DIAPERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED\*\*

### SUNDAY SCHOOL – FOR ALL AGES

Our theme this year is Chosen as we study this theme in the book of Mark. Lessons are available on the church website: https://www.clarksburgcc.org/calendarand-sunday-school.html

We meet Sunday mornings at 9:30 and start by singing in the Sanctuary and then moving into our classes. I hope you all choose to come and study with us, there is a class for everyone! There will be **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL EASTER SUNDAY.** 



## \*\* COMMUNITY INTEREST \*\*

#### FROM THE HERINGER FAMILY

The Heringer Family would like to thank all who were able to attend Mom's Memorial Celebration in person as well as those with us in thought and prayer. Mom lived each and every day to its very fullest including all of her last days. She loved and cared for family and community and prayed for the well being of everyone she knew and met. It will be our combined challenge to fill her huge shoes in action and prayer. Join us in that continuing endeavor to keep Clarksburg all that it is for the benefit of future generations. Sincerely, Stephen F. Heringer.

#### FROM JAYNE HAISLET

Jayne expressed her sincere thank you to the members of Clarksburg Community Church and others who assisted in the preparing and set up for the memorial service held February 23rd for her husband Brad.

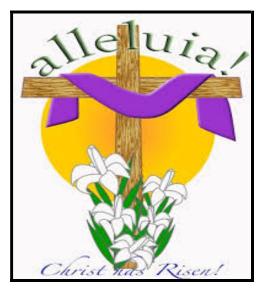
## ~ MEMORIALS ~

Marge Herínger -February 17<sup>th</sup>

Brad Haíslet -February 23<sup>rd</sup>

### **COLLEGE ENVELOPES OF LOVE**

What fun it was to fill and mail 20 -"Envelopes of Love" to our 20 college students from our church community! Thank you to those of you that contributed to the envelopes (with money for mailing expenses, gift cards, Valentines, and notes). Pastor Dennis has been receiving text messages from the recipients over the past few weeks expressing thanks for the love (notes and gift cards!) that was sent. Thank you, as always, for your support! If you missed out on participating and would like to send these students a note, see Lee Harris in the church office to get a paper listing all of the addresses.



CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION Did you miss a Sunday worship? Lost your copy of the Chimes? Need to check the church calendar? Don't fret, you can listen to past sermons or read current or past issues of the Chimes online on our website: www.clarksburgcc.org

> Worship Schedule Sunday School 9:30 AM (All Ages) Worship 11:00 AM

Rev. Dennis Montzingo, Pastor Office Hours: Tuesday through Friday 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (other times by appointment) Office Phone: 744-1422 Cell: 838-6007 pastordenniscc@gmail.com

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## "The Perfect You"

First thing in the morning I roll out of bed, put my feet on the ground and head to the bathroom. I look in the mirror and ask myself the same question every morning

"Do I have enough makeup for this job?"

I see the imperfections, the wrinkles, the sagging skin and think of how much I miss that face of my twenties. "Don't know if I can do it," I say, "don't know if I have enough foundation, mascara, or lip gloss.

Boy this is going to be a job, but I'll see what I can do." I do my best to cover the past hardships, the scars of my body and the scars of my soul. I walk out the door to my car still thinking about those imperfections.

I get in, adjust the mirror, and I see my eyes staring back at me. At that moment, I become emotional and realize that when Jesus sees me, he doesn't see those imperfections, he sees the perfect me he created.

When I look in the mirror now, I remind myself that no matter what my scar, my disability or my appearance, Jesus sees the perfect me that he created, so when you look in the mirror every morning, see what Jesus sees, the PERFECT you!

