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Blessed be Your glorious name.



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in all of life until He comes.

SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2023



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A DONKEY AND A HORSE

"Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your King is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey.'" Matthew 21:5

Welcome	Taylor Park, <i>Executive Pastor</i>
Responsive Call to Worship	Psalm 24:7–10
Song of Worship	Hosanna
Scripture Reading	Luke 19:28–40
Children's Choir	Hosanna in the Highest
Song of Worship	All Glory, Laud and Honor
Elder Prayer	Pat Person
Thanksgiving for Crickett Keeth	Taylor Park, Lauren Duffy, Dawn Dalton, Hickman Ewing
Song of Thanksgiving	Goodness of God
Dismissal of Children (Ages 3 through 2nd grade)	
Scripture Reading: Daniel 11:22–35	Laura Love
Sermon	Rev. Jim Fleming, <i>Interim Senior Pastor</i>
	<i>"Despicable, Part 1"</i> Daniel 11:22–35
Sung Benediction	1 Peter 3:14 and 4:14 NASB

*The Sanctuary flowers are given in celebration of the marriage of
Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Knight. Mrs. Knight is the former Miss Amelia Wheeler.*

*Musicians: The Worship Choir, Amelia Boer, Carter Boer, Mary Brumfield, Jeremy Conner,
Trent England, Jamie Scholik, Mark Stelling, Phil Thompson. Ken Boer, Pastor of Worship.*

“Despicable, Part 1” Stay the Course

Daniel 11:22–35 | Rev. Jim Fleming, Interim Senior Pastor

Matthew 26:30–35

Matthew 26:74–75

Luke 22:31–34

1. The Rise of Antiochus Epiphanes (Daniel 11:21–24)
2. Antiochus’s First Campaign (Daniel 11:25–28)
3. Antiochus’s Second Campaign (Daniel 11:29–30)
4. Antiochus’s Rage Against Israel (Daniel 11:31–35)

Application

Holy Week Challenge #3: Think of the three people you are inviting to Palm Sunday. Reach out to the third person and pray with them.



Reception for Crickett Keeth — Today!
12:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Please join us directly after the morning worship for a reception honoring Crickett and her 17 years serving as Women's Director. Crickett will be retiring at the end of March. All are welcome to stop by and wish her well in her retirement.



"Psalms for All Seasons" Palm Sunday Services (No Sunday School)
NEXT SUNDAY, April 2, 9:00 and 10:45 a.m. Services, Sanctuary

In the book of Psalms, God gives us 150 songs for every season of the soul. Whether we're joyful or weeping, faith-filled or anxious, zealous or apathetic, the Psalms give us language to pray to God. Join us as we engage with God through key chapters of this book, led by choir, band, soloists, readers, and musicians from the Memphis Symphony Orchestra. Nursery for ages 3 and under.



Church-Wide Seder Dinner, Wednesday, April 5, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Gym

The Seder is a family-oriented ceremony that tells the story of Passover. During our time together, we will compare the principles of the Passover to the details surrounding the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. God's directives to ancient Israel foreshadowed His plan to deliver each one of us from our bondage to sin through Jesus' death and resurrection hundreds of years later. What a beautiful picture of God's redeeming love! Purchase tickets in the Fellowship Hall.

For more announcements, visit www.firstevan.org/loop.

Midweek Fellowship Meal Menu, March 29, 5:00-6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Spaghetti with Meatballs or Rotel Chicken Spaghetti, Italian Green Beans, Garden Salad, and Garlic Breadsticks OR Italian Wedding Soup and Salad Bar with Garlic Breadsticks. Dessert: Lemon Cake.

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Dana Phillips, Global Outreach, Uganda

Praise

- That my renewed work permit for another three years came through.
- That the Ebola outbreak has been contained.
- That home small groups continue to grow.

Pray

- For discernment in developing new programs.
- For continued funding for equipment distribution.
- For strength and good health for the busy schedule.

GMC PROJECT: CREATIVE ARTS TOKYO

As of Wednesday, March 23, we've raised **\$21,385** of our **\$20,000** goal. Thank you! If you missed giving, you can still give. Designate your check "Global Missions Conference Project" or visit www.firstevan.org/japan.

MEMPHIS PARTNER OF THE WEEK

Memphis Coalition for Life

Praise

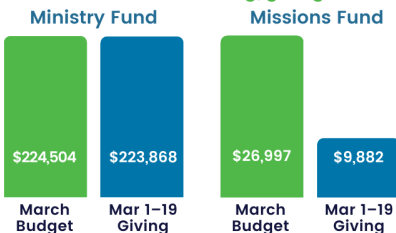
- That a Planned Parenthood employee quit her job because of the loving approach of our sidewalk counselors.
- That our Blessing Bags are a beautiful first impression.
- For our prayer partners who serve on the sidewalk to help provide a circle around our Sidewalk Advocates and the women they speak with.

Pray

- For mothers who receive the resources offered to be brave and choose life for the baby within her womb.
- For our Sidewalk Advocates and Prayer Partners as they sacrificially serve on the sidewalk.
- For our staff and the Board of Directors to have wisdom as we serve in our roles.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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FAMILY MATTERS

Hospital George Griffin, Baptist Memphis (No Visitors)

Linda Ingram, Baptist Memphis

Matt Alford, Baptist Memphis