



Worship with us on Sunday at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

April 9, 2025

Dear Friends of Second Church,

As Holy Week approaches, we'll have a range of worship services to mark the distinct stages in the story of Jesus as it moves to Easter. We hope they will deepen your awareness of that story and deepen your faith.

In addition, if you would like to register for a time of private prayer in the Sanctuary during our Good Friday vigil, which runs in one-hour slots between 8 p.m. Thursday to 3 p.m. Friday, please email Pam in our office (pam@2cc.org).

Holy Week begins this Sunday, with Palm Sunday, which remembers Jesus' entry into Jerusalem.

It is always a joyful celebration—for most churchgoers, only Easter Sunday and Christmas Eve are any “bigger”—and Palm Sunday has beloved traditions of its own: the distribution of palms, the procession of the children, particular music.

If you think about it, it's one of the few moments in the life of Jesus that congregations don't just talk about, but go so far as to **reenact**, even if it's not at the scale of a Christmas pageant.

In similar fashion, our tradition doesn't typically do a lot of formal “processionals” at the beginning of church services, but we have come to do so on Palm Sunday.

I would love to know how that came to be.

However it happened, I appreciate how Palm Sunday and its particular traditions help us connect “the path that Jesus walked” to the path that each of us is walking.

Palm Sunday may be the Christian calendar's deepest acknowledgment of pilgrimage, as we remember Jesus' own literal journey, and now retrace his steps right up the aisle of our own sanctuary, where so many central moments in life's journey take place.

It reminds us to understand marrying couples, newly baptized infants, and

even the solemn procession of a casket as following in his footsteps and encountering his love in new ways.

It affirms that as the Spirit draws us closer to him, his pilgrimage becomes our own, and ours becomes his.

Amen to that.

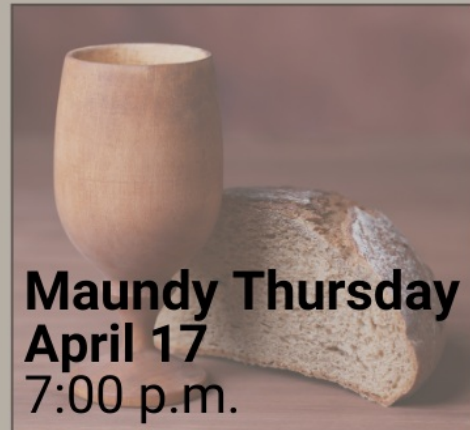
See you in church,

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Sermons are always
available online:
[2CCSermons](#)

If you can't make it in person, join us
via [Livestream for our 10:30
a.m.](#) Sunday service.

Holy Week 2025



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**Holy Week Prayer Vigil Following the Maundy Thursday
evening service on April 17.**

Our overnight prayer vigil will begin, and will continue until 3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 18. A feature of Holy Week at 2CC for the last 23 years, the vigil offers a powerful experience for private prayer in the Sanctuary, which is illuminated by a

single light, focused from the base of the cross. Some come with a plan for their prayers, some read Scripture or find other devotional reading and go where it takes them, and some simply sit and “listen for God” in the silence. Most find that the hour passes quickly, and that Easter is more powerful as a result. Join us!

A deacon will also be available to help people sign up after the 10:30 Worship service or to sign up online, email Pam@2cc.org.

Children's Chapel at 2CC

Infant and toddler nursery care is open 10:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m., and little ones are also welcome with their parents in the sanctuary. Families are encouraged to join in the worship experience as makes sense for each individual child.

Deacons can help direct you to our nursery room.

Children ages kindergarten to 5th grade are encouraged to start worship with their parents at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Those who wish, may depart for Children's Chapel with Jenny at about 10:45 a.m. For more information, please contact [**Jenny@2cc.org**](mailto:Jenny@2cc.org). Registration not required but helpful for us to best know and love your child.

[Register for Children's Chapel](#)

Mark your calendars...

Join us after worship for **Hoppy Hour**
Sunday, April 13



Grab your coffee, meet in the Chapel and hop in to help the Easter Bunny... we need help stuffing eggs for our epic hunt!

Children will have the chance to build a bunny for a child at Kids in Crisis and one for themselves.

Donations appreciated.

(First come first served until supplies run out).

Email Jenny@2cc.org for information

Donations of candy and plastic eggs welcome!

GOOD FRIDAY VBS



GOD'S LOVE IS EVERYWHERE!

Friday, April 18
9:00 a.m. - 11:30

A special Good Friday
Vacation Bible School
including feet washing,
a swim at the YMCA
pool & a pancake
lunch!

K-Grade 5: \$25
Children under 5:
must be accompanied
by a guardian
Grades 6-12:
welcome to attend as
CITs and for High
School
service hours
Scholarships
Available

Drop off and pick up
at the
Greenwich YMCA
(50 East Putnam Ave)

Our Minister of Care
and Connection,
Jenny Byxbee,
looks forward to
seeing you there!

RSVP no later than April 15
Email: Jenny@2cc.org

VBS Payment

Register for VBS

Winter-Spring Yoga
Friday mornings until April 18

Cost is \$20/week (drop-ins welcome).
Nursery care & scholarships available upon request.
Caring & certified instructors each week can modify for
beginner to advanced.

Email Jenny for more information about Yoga
classes

Another busy weekend at 2CC...

Saturday kicked off with a visit from the Easter Bunny at Story Hour...



Lots to learn at the book discussion later Saturday morning...



Soloists during Worship & more Children's Chapel Fun!





We love our God Squad!



Around Town...

Concordia Conservatory's, Music of Innovation, will take place on **Sunday, April 27, at 3:00 PM at The Second Congregational Church.**



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April 27
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