



This Sunday is the Sixth Sunday in Lent: Palm Sunday

Sunday - Youtube link for Sunday

This Sunday, our YouTube link will carry what I will call *our reminders of Sundays together* and keep us living in hope toward the day when we can gather again. This will include music, prayers, updates, mission service testimony by Nicole DeRoo, and a message from Matthew 21:1-11 from Pastor Marc entitled, *Look for Humanity*.

Send a photo: send me a photo that we hope to string together with others of your “home sanctuary” or your household on a Sunday morning.
marcn@georgetowncrc.org – thanks to those of you who have already done so.

Ministry opportunities

If you are in need of groceries or in need of someone to pick up groceries for you because of a compromised immune system or other vulnerability, please contact a deacon or the church office at 669-5180 or office@georgetowncrc.org. If you have other needs, please let us know as well....

Sara's Spot: Virtual Bulletin Announcements:

Special Worship Service: This coming Thursday, April 9, we will join together online for our Maundy Thursday service led by our pastors, Katie Yankee, and Anna Bolton. After a brief meditation, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper and then make our way through the Scriptural accounts of the last hours of Jesus' life as we have done for many years. The service will conclude on a joyful note as we express our praise and gratitude for the wonder of God's grace and look forward to Easter Sunday. In anticipation of this service, please select and have ready bread or crackers and whatever juice, or wine, or other similar beverage you might have in your home. The service can be accessed at 7:00 p.m. and any time after. A link will be sent to you on Wednesday.

Feeding America: As we continue to navigate through COVID 19, the Georgetown Deaconate has added an additional date per month for our Feeding America distributions; dates now include: April 14, 21 and May 12, 19. Please note a time change: the truck will arrive at 4:30 and the distribution will begin at 5:30 for these four dates. These distributions will all be “drive-thru style”, and will be adjusted to maintain 6ft between each person. Please let Julianna Kempema know if you are available to volunteer.

Pastor Jack's Retirement: A small team is being formed to plan events to recognize Pastor Jack's ministry at Georgetown. If you are interested in being part of this team, please let the office know by April 13 (office@georgetowncrc.org or 616-669-5180).

March Giving: First of all, we would like to thank you for your March tithing! Thank you for continuing your contributions to Georgetown even though we have not met in person! Please continue to tithe and contribute to Georgetown's ministries as we engage with you and our community. Thank you also to those who have turned in their pledge cards! Please mail us your pledge card if you have not already done so. If you have any questions on giving or the pledging process, please contact Sherri at sherrik@georgetowncrc.org

Weekly Need:	\$25,258
Received thru 3/29/2020:	\$75,908
Actual Expenses:	\$95,952
Ahead (<i>Behind</i>):	(\$20,044)

Easter Memorial: While flowers and friends may not be *physically* present in the Sanctuary we will still remember, and honor those we love on Easter morning. Georgetown Church will create a pre-service memorial presentation before our worship video on Easter morning. We invite you to submit names and photos of someone you are remembering or someone you are honoring.

Please email office@georgetowncrc.org with:

1. Your name(s)
2. The name(s) of those you are remembering or honoring and your relationship to them. Please specify "in memory of" or "in honor of"
3. A high resolution photo of your loved one (optional)
4. A photo of a special flower or plant (optional)

Please submit the information before April 6 so we can include it in April 12's Easter morning worship presentation.

Guatemala 2020: Due to the uncertainty around the coronavirus and international travel we have decided to cancel the 2020 Guatemala trip. Georgetown will next send a team July 8-15, 2021. We are still eager to strengthen our partnership with GRACE Ministries and show love to the people of Guatemala. We will be discussing ways in which we can support the ministry this summer without a sending a team.

Going Public: We are postponing Going Public to a later date. When we have some clarity around the virus situation we will provide updates on new proposed dates. We are hoping for late summer or early fall.

Names, Faces, and Situations for Prayer:



Greg and Deb Assink (*ffg 2*) are grateful for answered prayer. One of the nurses that cares for their daughter Megan was suspected of having the Covid-19 virus. Test results came back this week and showed that she was not infected.



Caitlin Sall (*ffg 3*) had another chemotherapy treatment on Wednesday as part of her trial in San Francisco. Treatments are every other week. Caitlin's most pronounced side effect so far has been fatigue.



Joann Gelder (*ffg 1*) began maintenance treatments this week and will be receiving them every other week. She remains healthy at home.



Scott Anderson (*ffg 1*) had an MRI and a CT scan today and is scheduled to meet with an oncologist this week. This appointment should make clear when a combination of radiation and chemotherapy begin



Mick Veenema (*ffg 5*) continues to receive treatments but is also feeling more of the side effects. He will continue to receive 3-4 more treatments in 3 week intervals.



Ruth Freerksen (*ffg 1*) continues to receive regular treatments every other week.

Homebound	Richard Broekhuizen Marlene Jenkins Hattie Stanley Jack Vander Hoek Gene VanDyken
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Breadcrumbs... NT Wright

Tom Wright is a leading New Testament Scholar who is as solid as they come. Every couple of years, he speaks at Calvin either at the January Series or the Worship Symposium. His books are meaty but well-anchored. This article is as good as I have seen on the topic of the pandemic. In sum, the article reminds us that the Christian community does not need explanations or answers, we need to *lament, to grieve, and to express ourselves to God.*

<https://time.com/5808495/coronavirus-christianity/?amp=true>