

# HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

## **PALM SUNDAY** **MARCH 29TH**

### **WORSHIP - 10 AM**

Celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Special music this year will include a string quartet and the children's choir. All children are invited to meet in Fellowship Hall at 9:45 am for the Palm Processional.

### **EASTER EGG HUNT - 11:30 AM**

Join us after morning worship. Children of all ages are invited! Meet us in the Lower Meadow.

### **SERVICE CHALLENGE CONCERT - 7 PM**

*Selections from "Jesus Christ Superstar"*

Join us in the sanctuary for a concert featuring selections from the musical "Jesus Christ Superstar." The concert will feature the *Red Clay Collective* with special guests. We will also collect donations to support the end of our 2026 Service Challenge! Doors open at 6:30 pm. Food & Beverages to follow concert.

## **MAUNDY THURSDAY** **APRIL 2ND**

### **SERVICE PROJECT & DINNER - 6 PM**

Join us in Founders Hall and help us pack Easter Meals and make sandwiches for families in need, and share a meal of meatball subs together before our Maundy Thursday worship service.

### **MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP - 7 PM**

As the cross of Jesus begins to loom increasingly large, we will remember Jesus' last supper with his disciples and his betrayal and arrest in a Service of Worship at 7 pm.

## **GOOD FRIDAY** **APRIL 3RD**

### **EASTER MEAL HANDOUT - 9 AM**

Help us hand out special Easter meals to the community through our partner Table of Plenty from 9 am - 12 pm. Youth participation encouraged.

### **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE - 12 PM**

We will remember Jesus' crucifixion and death in a meditative Service of Worship and Prayer at 12:00 pm.

## **EASTER SUNDAY** **APRIL 5TH**

### **RESURRECTION REMEMBRANCE WITH DOVE RELEASE - 9:30 AM**



Join us in the Memory Garden for a 20-minute service of reflection and hope, including the reading of names of those who have died in the past year, acoustic guitar music, and a dove release symbolizing resurrection and peace. To add a name to be read, contact Julie at [office@rccpc.org](mailto:office@rccpc.org)

### **FESTIVAL WORSHIP - 10 AM**

*Celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus!*

Special music will include our Festival Choir, Hallelujah Chorus (joined by the children's choir), and feature organ, timpani, and guest trumpeter Sue Peo. Following worship, join us outside for light refreshments, the flowering of the cross, an opportunity for family photos, and spring "Good Groups" sign-ups.



Red Clay Creek  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



James Tissot (Nantes, France, 1836–1902, Chenecey-Buillon, France). What Our Lord Saw from the Cross (Ce que voyait Notre-Seigneur sur la Croix), 1886–1894.

# WHAT HE SAW

## A LENTEN SERMON SERIES



James Tissot's Passion artwork on the cover invites us to slow down and look closely. His paintings are alive with movement - faces turned toward and away from the cross, people gathering, pausing, passing by. The longer you look, the more there is to see. Tissot doesn't tell us what to think; he invites us to notice.

That spirit shapes our Lenten season. In *What He Saw*, we'll linger with the scenes of the cross and imagine what Jesus saw: the city he loved, the Temple opened wide, friends and enemies, and those simply standing nearby. Worship will weave together Scripture, music, prayer, silence, and shared response, creating space for reflection, honesty, and hope.

Lent will also move outward into action. Through our Lenten service challenge, this season becomes something we live, not just observe - packing meals, giving blood, sharing meals, showing up for neighbors, and finding small, tangible ways to serve together. Lent at RCCPC is an invitation to look more closely, love more freely, and take part in a season shaped by both worship and service.

# FEBRUARY

## 18 ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

**12 pm & 7 pm in the Sanctuary**  
Beginning with Ash Wednesday, the season of Lent beckons those of us who follow Christ to a time of introspection and renewal, an opportunity to set aside the burdens that would weigh us down and to make new commitments in faith. Please join us at either noon or 7:00 pm as together we begin our Lenten journey with words of faith and the imposition of ashes.

### LABYRINTH

Our labyrinth will be available in Founders Hall from 12:30 to 7:00 p.m. You're invited to begin your Lenten journey by prayerfully slowing your steps and opening your heart to the needs of the world, guided by this year's Lenten Service Challenge.

### CHILI DINNER

Join us in Fellowship Hall for a chili dinner at 6 pm. Chili and cornbread will be catered by The Well.

## LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

**February 22nd thru March 22nd**

Our annual Lenten Food Drive to benefit the Food Bank of Delaware will run through March 22nd. Bring in your donations to Founders Hall and help us fill our barrels .

## 20 WHO'S COMING TO DINNER?

**6:30 pm in members' homes**  
A fun twist on the classic dinner party. Guests will dine at a fellow Red Clay member's home where the rest of the guests are a secret! This evening encourages new connections and builds friendships among our congregation.

## 22 PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

**8:30 am in Rm. 202/204**  
Join Pastor Nate in Rm. 202/204 as he continues this study on the Gospel of Mark.

## WORSHIP: 1ST SUNDAY IN LENT

**10 am in the Sanctuary**  
*Zion - the city he loved (2 Samuel 5:1-10)*  
Join us for communion and worship.

### RISE AGAINST HUNGER

**11 am in Founders Hall**  
Join us for our annual meal packing event where we'll pack over 12,000 meals for people in need around the world. Kids, Scouts & families welcome! Sign-up using the QR-code.

## 27 REACH RETREAT - NOW WHAT?

**7 pm in fellowship hall**  
Come reconnect after Reach Retreat as we share insights and take meaningful steps forward in mission. RSVP to rachele@rccpc.org

# MARCH

## 1 WORSHIP: 2ND SUNDAY IN LENT

**10 am in the Sanctuary**  
*The Temple (John 2:13-22)*  
Join us for worship at 10 am. Our new church officers will be ordained and installed today.

## UNPLUGGED COFFEEHOUSE

**7 pm in Fellowship Hall**  
We continue our coffeehouse series at 7 pm this evening. Doors open at 6:30 pm.

## 7 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour before going to bed this evening.


## 8 WORSHIP: 3RD SUNDAY IN LENT

**10 am in the Sanctuary**  
*Those Nearby (John 3:14-21)*  
Join us for worship at 10 am as we welcome Rev. Brad Martin to the pulpit.

## 10 FRIENDS & FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

**12 pm in Founders Hall**  
All are invited to join us for a catered luncheon in Founders Hall with members, staff, and friends of Red Clay. Advanced registration needed. Following the luncheon our Care Choir will perform at The Vero in Newark at 2 pm.

## 15 ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE

**8 am - 1 pm in Founders Hall**  
Our Annual Blood Drive for Blood Bank of Delmarva. Appointments necessary. Use QR code to sign up. 


## WORSHIP: 4TH SUNDAY IN LENT

**10 am in the Sanctuary**  
*His Loved Ones (John 19:25-27)*  
Join us for worship at 10 am.

## YOUNGER YOUTH MEET

**11:30 am in Fellowship Hall**  
Kids in grades 4 - 8 will meet from 11:30 am - 1 pm for lunch, fellowship, and fun.

## ADULTING 101: COOKING & ETIQUETTE

**4 pm in Fellowship Hall**  
All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to a hands-on cooking and etiquette class with member Nicholas D. Waller, a hospitality professional with over 35 years of experience in fine establishments around the world. The cost is \$25 per person (scholarships available). 

## 19 FOOD BANK VOLUNTEERING

**6 pm in Newark**  
Red Clay volunteers will meet at the Food Bank from 6 - 8 pm in Newark to help sort & organize food.

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST

**March 22<sup>nd</sup> - Following Worship**

Join us in Founders Hall for our Mission to Maine Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser!

Tickets will be available for purchase in Founders Hall for \$10 per plate for adults and \$5 per plate for youth/children.

## 22 WORSHIP: 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

**10 am in the Sanctuary**  
*His Enemies (Matthew 27:27-31)*  
Join us for worship at 10 am.

## CONFIRMATION SHOPPING SPREE

**12 noon from Founders Hall**  
Confirmation class and mentors, join us for our annual shopping trip to gather items for our Easter Meal Bags.

## 28 SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER

**5 pm to 8 pm in Fellowship Hall**  
Come out and support our scouts! Troop 1029 is hosting a spaghetti dinner fundraiser and all are welcome! More info will be forthcoming!

## 29 HOLY WEEK & EASTER

**March 29 thru April 5**  
See back page for Holy Week schedule.

# APRIL

## 7 OPEN GYM

**2 pm - 7 pm in Founders Hall**  
Kids of all ages are invited to come play in Founders Hall. Dinner will be served. An adult must stay.

## 12 WORSHIP

**10 am in the Sanctuary**  
*Eastertide Reflection*  
Join us for worship at 10 am.