

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
Please sign the attendance sheet in the red pad and add today’s date at the top, then pass it Down your row. If you are a guest, we invite you to include your address.
Thank you for silencing your cell phones during the service.

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS (Children may go to Kingdom Kids)
PRELUDE
PALM PROCESSIONAL Hymn No. 278 “Hosanna, Lord Hosanna vv 1& 2

OFFERING OUR WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP
L: Hold us close, loving God, for in this week we see our own shadows and questions
P: feel our own doubts and betrayals
L: Know our own fears of suffering and pain.
P: **Hold us close**
L: so that we may find your grace stronger than our fight.
P: Hold us tight
L: so we may look in our hearts and find your forgiveness.
P: Walk with us
L: from death to life and from denial to affirmation
All: In the name of Jesus, Amen.

OPENING PRAYER
CHORAL ANTHEM “Behold the King of Zion”
OFFERTORY
OFFERING
*THE DOXOLOGY No.95 AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION
PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER No. 895

CHORAL ANTHEM “Ride On! Ride On!”

RECEIVING GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE John 14, Galatians 5:22-23

SERMON “Fight, Fight, Fight!” Rev. Peg Welch

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 280 “All Glory Laud and Honor ”

BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able

Prayer List

- Ruth Atkeson
- Bill Barndollar
- Tom Bence
- Reva Bixler
- Carol Brandt (Donna Hounshell's sister– in -law)
- Jeff Davis
- Frank DeWitt
- Wilma Elliott
- Tom & Avalon Evans
- Tammy Fisher (Dick Fisher’s daughter in-law)
- Jerod Fulmer
- Phil & Meda Giffin
- Eric Grove
- Matt Hollar
- Dawn Kershner
- Tonya Moore (Nick & Nate’s mom)
- Ron & Marge Ridenour
- Tara Sauer (Jenny Motley’s niece)
- Buzz Rupe
- Joan Schaub
- Sandra Smith (Dawn Kershner's mother)
- Kathy Taylor (Helen Taylor’s daughter)
- Dick Thomas
- Bob Wagenhals
- Bruce Walker (Ginny Carlson’s son)
- Katy Welch
- Phyllis Zahn

This Week at Ontario UMC...
Today.....9:15 am.....Adult S.S.
10:15 am Worship followed by fellowship time
3:00 pm..... Eggstravaganza
Wed.,328.....7:00 pm.....Choir
Thurs, 3/29...11:00 am..... Bulletin Items due
7:00 pm.....Maundy Thursday Service
Sun 4/19:15 am..... Adult S.S.
10:15 am... Worship followed by fellowship time

~~ WELCOME, VISITORS ~~

A warm OUMC greeting to all our visitors!
Please visit the Welcome Center for a small gift, and join us in Giffin Hall after the service for refreshments and fellowship.

Write prayer joys, concerns and announcements
in the Welcome Center pad to be shared during worship.

Hearing devices and large-print bulletins and
hymnals are available at the Ushers Table.

Children’s Worship Activity Bags
are available at the back of the sanctuary.
Please return them to the rack after the service.

The flowers are given this morning by Myra Myers in memory of her mother and father.

Hosanna! Today we join centuries of the faithful in praising Jesus, who comes among us as a humble servant.

Bulletin items are due in the church office each Thursday morning no later than 11 am.

Today is our annual Eggstravaganza from 3 pm to 5 pm. Please bring your kids, grandkids and friends. There will be an egg hunt, games, crafts, door prizes and more. Bring your own basket to fill.

The Lenten Tree on the worship platform is lifeless to remind us of our darkness without Jesus. We added a crown of thorns the first week. Next came pretzels to remind us of Jesus’ arms folded in prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane. Then we added a bag of Judas’ coins, symbolizing betrayal. Next we added purple ribbons. Purple symbolizes our repentance. Last week, we added some crosses. Today, palms adorn the tree.

There will be NO Grace and Eggs on Easter Sunday. Grace and Eggs is in need of coffee cakes (homemade or bought) and casseroles. There is a sign up sheet in the kitchen. Also needed is help in the kitchen, set up on Saturday and Sunday morning. Thanks to all that have contributed and helped in the kitchen has been greatly appreciated.

The Lions Club is sponsoring a Blood Drive at our church in Giffin Hall on Monday, April 2, 2018 from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. To schedule an appointment please call 1-800-RedCross or visit red-crossblood.org, sponsor code: OntarioLions.

Be sure to check out the Easter altar display at the front of the sanctuary, which is a work of art depicting the empty tomb of Christ, created by member and choir director Bob Wagenhals.

In the words of a contemporary song, ”Ain’t no rock gonna cry in my place!” We praise your name, Lord, with the crowds of that first Palm Sunday, refusing to be silenced.

<i>Last Week~~~</i>	
Worship Attendance	133
Current Expense Giving	\$3,916.00
Special Funds	813.49
Building Fund	400.00
R & R	115.00

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Peggy L. Welch, Pastor
Karen Wagenhals, Visitation Pastor

Serving Today~~

Liturgist: Megan Reiners	Music Director: Bob Wagenhals
	Organist: Millie Keith
Greeters: Vic & Libby Clark	Accompanist: Bernice Holeman
Nursery:	Sound Technician: Jeff Davis
Power Point: Sue Wills, John Grove	
Usher: Mary Ann Stotts, Carl Crider, Ken Starbuck	
Kingdom Kids: Sue Kisling, Jackie Duncan	
Table Hosts: Lavon Danals	
Acolyte: Aiden Metcalfe	