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All Current Streams:
· www.nhccftl.org/streams
Sunday Morning Worship (10:00 am)
· www.nhccftl.org/sunam
The AfterChurch (11:45 am)
· www.nhccftl.org/after
Wed. Night Bible Study (6:30 pm)
· www.nhccftl.org/acts
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· www.nhccftl.org/streamed



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Palm Sunday Service

Sunday, April 13, 2025 10:00 AM

Hosanna in the Highest!

*Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord!*

Palm Sunday
Worship Service
April 13, 2025

Announcements

Call To Worship: "Blessed Be the Name"

Welcome And Invocation To Worship

Moment In The Word: 2Cor. 2:14-16 Deacon Frank Hackett

Singing Together:

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"
"Man of Sorrows"
"Victory in Jesus"

Responsive Reading: Isa. 62:1-12

Prayer For The Gathering
The Lord's Prayer

Doxology

Friendship Time

Offertory & Special Music: "Shalom Jerusalem"

*** Dismissal of Children's Church*

Scripture Reading: Luke 20:45-21:4

Prayer For Illumination

Message: "Keeping Our Spiritual Compass"

Prayer For Understanding

Response Song: "Behold the Lamb"

Benediction

Choral Benediction: "Victory in Jesus"

Discipleship Opportunities

The AfterChurch

Immediately after the Service
On campus & streamed*

Seeking Deeper Illumination...
from God's Word.

Wednesday Night Bible Study

On campus and streamed at
6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night Youth Group

On campus from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
6th - 12th grade

J.A.M. Club

On campus from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
K - 5th grade

Ladies' Prayer Meeting

Third Saturday of each month.
9:00 a.m. in the Library.
Women praying for women

** Check the back page for streaming links!*

Prayer Needs

Sherry Shoemaker
Bobbie Sayre
Donna Weyd
Paul and Anna DaCosta

Prayer Chain: prayer@nhccftl.org

Birthdays

Carmen Adorno	April 10
Jephthe Lucien	April 15
Barbara Koss	April 20
Ruth Brown	April 25
Ralinson Alcius	April 26

Anniversaries

None

This Week...

13	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
18	Good Friday Communion Worship Service	6:30 p.m.
19	Ladies' Prayer Meeting	9:00 a.m.

We Thank Those Who Serve Today

Sound Booth	Bob Timmer Anita Orsini
Ushers	Steve Shoemaker Bill Slager
Greeter	Frank Medina
Treats	Jeannie Tanis & Kaye Williams
Nursery	Mitou Lucien

Offerings –

- Today's tithes will support the ministries of New Hope Community Church.
- Today's Special Offering is for: the Sanctuary fund.
- The Special Offering for Good Friday will be for the Benevolence fund.
- Next Sunday, our special offering will be for the Technology fund.

Giving Opportunities –

- Offering Boxes are located at the back of the church. Please drop your offerings as you exit or enter the Sanctuary.
- Online Giving can be made at www.nhccftl.org/give

Tithes and Offerings –

4/6 General: \$8,110.33
4/6 Special: \$ 590.00

Special Funds Schedule –

4/13 Sanctuary
4/18 Benevolence
4/20 Technology
4/27 Major Repairs

Children's Corner –

Nursery - Infants - 3 yrs
Children's Church - for ages 4 to 5th grade; dismissed at Special Music.

**Please – no food or drink
in the sanctuary.....**

The Palm Sunday Brunch: will be held in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the service today.

Prayer for Unsaved Loved Ones :will meet tomorrow evening at 6:30 p.m.

All Wednesday Night Events: are cancelled for April 16th; they will resume on April 23rd..

A Good Friday Communion Service: will be held on April 18th at 6:30 p.m.

Ladies' Prayer Ministry: will be meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 19th. Look for an email this afternoon, asking for prayer requests.

Save the Date: This year's VBS "Building on the Rock" will be the week of June 16–20. If you are interested in being a part of this Children's Ministry event, please email Janet Sessa at ms_janet@nhccftl.org

Save the Date: There will be a Craft Fair introductory meeting for all who are involved in the craft fair on May 24 at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Luke 20:45. And in the hearing of all the people he said to his disciples,

Luke 20:46. Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and love greetings in the marketplaces and the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts,

Luke 20:47. who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

Luke 21:1. Jesus looked up and saw the rich putting their gifts into the offering box,

Luke 21:2. and he saw a poor widow put in two small copper coins.

Luke 21:3. And he said, "Truly, I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them.

Luke 21:4. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on."

Synopsis: "Keeping Our Spiritual Compass"

As we observe the tradition of Palm Sunday and the so-called Triumphant Entry, our attention will turn to Luke's underlying theme in this section of his Gospel-- which is far from celebratory. In episode after episode, Jesus has been exposing and condemning the lifeless, tradition-laden and formalized "religiosity" of the Jews through a plethora of confrontations. In this passage, He exposes the behavioral characteristics of the scribes and their love of self-exalting and very pretentious piety. He then comments on the offering of a poor widow who puts her last two pennies into the Temple treasury. We will carefully analyze what is traditionally called "the widow's mite" and ask ourselves whether it is an example of virtuous giving or the undesirable impact that false teachers like the scribes have on unsuspecting and misguided worshipers. In the end, we will emphasize the need to lock our focus on Jesus, the Scriptures and the Gospel, thereby keeping our spiritual compass and avoiding the pitfalls of "religiosity".

"Keeping Our Spiritual Compass" – Luke 20:45–21:4 (ESV)

I. Introduction

II. Exposition of the text, Luke 20:45–21:4.

A. Context

B. Condemnation of pretentious religion, vs. 20:45–47.

1. Setting the scene, vs. 20:45.
 - a. A very public condemnation.
 - b. Directed at His disciples, Luke 12:1.
2. Reasons to beware, vs. 20:46–47.
 - a. Identifying the scribes, vs. 46a, Matt. 23:15; Ezra 7:6; Mark 7:6–8.
 - b. Self-exalting behavior, vs. 46b.
 - i. Ostentatious robes, Deut. 22:12; Num. 15:39.
 - ii. Recognition in the marketplace.
 - iii. The best seats in the synagogues.
 - iv. Places of honor at feasts, Luke 14:7,11.
 - c. Devouring widows resources, vs. 47a, Ex. 22:22–24; James 1:27.
 - d. Pretentious prayers, vs. 47b.
 - i. Praying to be seen not heard, Matt. 6:5.
 - ii. Praying to conceal, Mark 7:9–13.
 - e. The condemnation, vs. 47c, James 3:1.

C. The "widow's mite", vs. 21:1–4.

1. Setting the scene, vs. 21:1–2.
 - a. Determining the location, vs. 1a, John 8:20.
 - b. The gifts of the wealthy, vs. 1b.
 - c. The gift of the widow, vs. 2.
2. The Kingdom value of the widow's mite, vs. 21:3–4.
 - a. The statement of value, vs. 3.
 - b. The explanation of value, vs. 4.
 - i. The gift of abundance.
 - ii. The gift of poverty, Luke 9:23, 14:28,33.
3. An alternate interpretation.
 - a. The theme of Jesus' condemnation of false religion.
 - b. The widow's misguided offering.
 - i. Pondering voluntary destitution.
 - ii. A further condemnation of the scribes, Luke 18:23.

III. Application, Jude 12–13.

IV. Conclusion

Notes

Palm Sunday
Worship Songs
April 13, 2025

Blessed Be the Name

All praise to Him who reigns above in majesty supreme,
Who gave His Son for man to die, that He might man redeem!

Refrain

Blessed be the Name, Blessed be the Name,
Blessed be the Name of the Lord;
Blessed be the Name, Blessed be the Name,
Blessed be the Name of the Lord.

His Name above all names shall stand, exalted more and more,
At God the Father's own right hand, where angel's hosts adore.
(Refrain)

Redeemer, Savior, Friend of man once ruined by the fall,
Thou hast devised salvation's plan, for Thou has died for all.
(Refrain)

His name shall be the Counselor, the Mighty Prince of Peace,
Of all earth's kingdoms Conqueror, whose reign shall never cease.
(Refrain)

Moment in the Word: 2Cor. 2:14-16

2Cor. 2:14. But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere.

2Cor. 2:15. For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing,

2Cor. 2:16. to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. Who is sufficient for these things?

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure;
That He should give His only Son,
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss,
The Father turns His face away;
As wounds which mar the Chosen One,
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon his shoulders;
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice,
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there,
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life,
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward,
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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Man of Sorrows

Man of sorrows, Lamb of God,
By His own betrayed;
The sin of man and wrath of God
Has been on Jesus laid.

Silent as He stood accused;
Beaten, mocked and scorned;
Bowling to the Father's will,
He took a crown of thorns.

Oh that rugged cross, My salvation,
Where Your love poured out over me;
Now my soul cries out, Hallelujah!
Praise and honor unto Thee.

Sent of heaven, God's own Son
To purchase and redeem,
And reconcile the very ones
Who nailed Him to that tree.

Oh that rugged cross, My salvation,
Where Your love poured out over me;
Now my soul cries out, Hallelujah!
Praise and honor unto Thee.

Now my debt is paid, It is paid in full
By the precious blood
That my Jesus spilled. Now the curse of sin
Has no hold on me. Whom the Son sets free,
Oh is free indeed. (Repeat)

Oh that rugged cross, My salvation,
Where Your love poured out over me;
Now my soul cries out, Hallelujah!
Praise and honor unto Thee.

See the stone is rolled away,
Behold the empty tomb.
Hallelujah, God be praised,
He's risen from the grave.

Oh that rugged cross, My salvation,
Where Your love poured out over me;
Now my soul cries out, Hallelujah!
Praise and honor unto Thee.

Praise and honor unto Thee.
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Victory in Jesus

I heard an old, old story;
how a Savior came from glory,
How He gave His life on Calvary
to save a wretch like me.
I heard about His groaning,
of His precious blood's atoning,
Then I repented of my sins
and won the victory.

Refrain

O victory in Jesus, My Savior forever!
He sought me and bought me with
His redeeming blood.
He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him.
He plunged me to victory
beneath the cleansing flood.

I heard about His healing,
of His cleansing pow'r revealing,
How He made the lame to walk again
and caused the blind to see.
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus,
come and heal my broken spirit,"
And somehow Jesus came and bro't
to me the victory.
(Refrain)

I heard about a mansion
He has built for me in glory,
And I heard about the streets of gold
beyond the crystal sea;
About the angels singing, and the
old redemption story;
And some sweet day I'll sing up there
the song of victory.
(Refrain)

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[Pastor:] For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch.

[Congregation:] The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give.

[Pastor:] You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

[Congregation:] You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married.

[Pastor:] For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

[Congregation:] On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have set watchmen; all the day and all the night they shall never be silent. You who put the Lord in remembrance, take no rest,

[Pastor:] and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it a praise in the earth.

[Congregation:] The Lord has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: "I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink your wine for which you have labored;

[Pastor:] but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the Lord, and those who gather it shall drink it in the courts of my sanctuary."

[Congregation:] Go through, go through the gates; prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway; clear it of stones; lift up a signal over the peoples.

[Pastor:] Behold, the Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to the daughter of Zion, "Behold, your salvation comes; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him."

[All:] And they shall be called The Holy People, The Redeemed of the Lord; and you shall be called Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Shalom Jerusalem

Pray for peace Jerusalem, city of our God;
There salvation was poured out for you,
The atoning of the Lord.
Once your streets were filled with joy,
Branches raised up high;
Shouting "Blessed be the Holy One, Yeshua T'Adonai!"

Sha-lom, shalom Jerusalem, peace be to you;
When Messiah comes to take us home,
May His praise be found in you.

Israel beloved, Ephraim, my son,
How my heart would thrill to hear you say,
"Our Messiah has come!"
O, my brothers, hear these words,
may they pierce your soul;
Turn again to worship Adonai, Meshi-ach you will know.

Behold the Lamb

Behold the Lamb, behold the Lamb,
slain from the foundation of the world.
For sinners crucified,
O holy sacrifice,
Behold the Lamb of God, behold the Lamb.

Crown Him, Crown Him,
worthy is the Lamb.
Praise Him, praise Him,
Heav'n and earth resound.

Behold the Lamb, behold the Lamb,
slain from the foundation of the world.
For sinners crucified,
O holy sacrifice,
Behold the Lamb of God, behold the Lamb.

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Victory in Jesus

O victory in Jesus, My Savior forever!
He sought me and bought me with
His redeeming blood.
He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him.
He plunged me to victory
beneath the cleansing flood.

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