April 7	5 th Sunday in Lent	Flower forms due
April 14	Liturgy of the Palms Liturgy of the Passion	
April 18	Maundy Thursday	6:00 pm service at 1837 W Broad St.; childcare offered
April 21	Easter Sunday	6:30 am Sunrise Service at Hollywood Cemetery
		5:00 pm service at 1837 W Broad St.

Boulevard United Methodist Church on Broad



John makes it clear that Judas's question to Mary is not born out of concern for the poor. Judas is uncomfortable with Mary's display of devotion. What Judas critiques as waste is, in fact, the greatest gift that Mary can give...the offering of her very life, stripped of all masks, given in service to Christ.

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THE VIRGINIA CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH where disciples are lifelong learners influencing others to serve

Fifth Sunday in Lent 4:00 pm at 1837 W Broad St.

Greeting		Rev. Drew Willson
Opening Words Isa. 43 O God, You have formed us as so whether we are w day-dreaming or shouti we are always comin We, the people of your	your own, veeping or laughing, ing for joy,	
Hymn	How Lovely, Lord, How Lovely	2042
Time with Children		
Interlude		
Joys & Concerns		
Prayer		
The Peace		
Psalter	Psalm 126	847
Scripture	Isaiah 43:16-21	
Music	People Get Ready	
Scripture	John 12:1-8	
Sermon		Rev. Rachel G. May
Hymn	Gather Us In 1-3	2236
Offering		
The Lord's Supper		
Hymn	Fill Now Our Life	
Benediction		



MAUNDY THURSDAY looks like a meal woven into a worship service. You do not have to bring food to participate in the service scheduled for **Thursday, April 18 at 6:00 pm.**

However, these are foods that help us bring that night to life:

Olives

Fig spread or fig cookies Mediterranean crackers Dried fruits & nuts Prepared lentils or chickpeas Matzo ball soup Quinoa or couscous salad Potatoes Arugula Feta, Manchego, or Pecorino cheese Pita or naan Gluten-free pita or naan Prepared orzo Kebobs Falafel Lebanese or Indian carryout

If you can you bring one or some combination of these foods (that are reminiscent of what Jesus would have eaten with his friends), or something that is kind of inspired by this list, tell Rachel. Otherwise come emptyhanded to receive what God has to offer the Church and what we have to offer one another during Holy Week.

Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶ Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷ who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸ Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. ¹⁹ I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰ The wild animals will honor me. the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹ the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

John 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

NURTURE

caring for one another and for our growth as disciples

{Inward}

WE ARE PRAYING for Chris Gregory, the Anderson family, the Kirkland family, the United Methodist Church, Grayson Foy, Nancy Tate, and Bishop Sharma Lewis. Wish to add or restore a name? Say so via the offering plate or the church's e-mail address.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH for infants - 5 years of age begins after the children's moment (approximately 4:15). They rejoin us for Communion. Our childcare provider is employed by Grace Covenant Child Development Center.

GIVING GROWS YOU and us.

	Ministry Costs	Your Gifts
March 2019	\$9,452	\$6,343

OUTREACH

participating in ministries of compassion, justice, and advocacy {Outward}

MARCH AND EARLY APRIL IS FOR FOOD. During Lent, we are collecting funds for those doing the hard work of feeding our neighbors and improving access to fresh food in our city. To contribute to this collection, make a check out to Boulevard and write "food" in the memo line. Or, online, use the "mission" designation.

In addition to supporting Shalom Farms and FeedMore financially, we also have a time-given goal. Together, can we give 40 hours to food-related ministries and initiatives? You can log hours via Track It Forward, https://www.trackitforward.com. Simply click on "find your organization" and type in Boulevard UMC.

p.s. - Belmont UMC's food pantry operates Fridays 9am - Ipm and they are receiving clothing, kitchen accessories, and pots and pans to better serve the families that come for food. Joel Thigpen can tell you more.

Fill Now Our Life Horatius N. Bonar

Fill now my life, O Lord my God, in every part with praise: that my whole being may proclaim your being and your ways. Not for the lip of praise alone, nor yet the praising heart, I ask, but for a life made up of praise in every part:

Praise in the common things of life, its goings out and in; praise in each duty and each deed, exalted or unseen. Fill every part of me with praise let all my being speak of you and of your love, O Lord, poor though I be and weak.

Then Lord, from us you shall receive the praise and glory due; and so shall I begin on earth the song for ever new. So shall no part of day or night from sacredness be free; but all our life, with you our God, in fellowship shall be.

Easter Flowers

Members and friends of Boulevard, you are invited: (1) To provide flowers for our worship space on Easter afternoon and (2) To support our worship fund.

If making more than one dedication, use another form.

Your Name:

Attached is payment for—or, expect payment from me between now and April 7 for:



Potted Lily at \$12.00 each Potted Hydrangea at \$20.00 each The Worship Fund (no flowers) \$15.00

IN MEMORY OF:

IN HONOR OF:

 \Box I wish for the bulletin to reflect that this was given anonymously.

 \Box I wish for the bulletin to reflect that this was given by:

If you wish to support our worship services, but do not want to receive actual flowers, your gift will be acknowledged in the Easter Sunday bulletin accordingly. If you wish for another to receive the flowers that you purchase, please make those arrangements independently. Thank-you!