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## **Upcoming Events!**

<u>April 7: Good Friday Service</u> will be at 6:30PM. Childcare will be provided for the nursery only.

<u>April 9: Easter Breakfast</u> will be served in the gym from 8-10:30AM. Come celebrate Easter and fellowship together!

<u>April 10: Connect Group</u> with Terry & Lin Bush will meet on Mondays at 6PM. Questions from the previous weeks' sermon will be discussed.

<u>April 23: Lunch with Leaders</u> - If you are new to our church or have never attended this lunch, you are invited! Please RSVP through office@connectionpointmi.com, sign up in the Welcome Center, or see one of the church staff.

<u>May 13: Community Garden</u> will begin planting at 9AM! This is a HUGE undertaking and we need all the help we can get! Come on out!

<u>June 19-23: Kids Summer Camp</u> is back and we need YOU!!! Registration is OPEN! We are looking for volunteers to help and donations that will contribute to food, transportation, activities, etc. Volunteer sign-up is located in the Welcome Center.

Kids' Clothing Closet - Our church is in beginning stages of creating a clothing closet just for kids! We would love to take any and all donations of kids' clothing and shoes that are still in good condition. Donations can be brought to the church on Sunday mornings and placed in the donation box in the Family Entrance lobby. Please contact Marla Punches at 231-286-8030 for any additional questions.

August 9-12: Unity Music Festival returns to Heritage Landing! If you are interested in purchasing tickets, you can order through the church office. 1-Day Pass: \$40; 3-Day Pass: \$75; Family Pass: \$325 Please contact the office if you are interested.

## **Things You Should Know!**

<u>Connect Cards</u> can be found in the seat-back pocket in front of you! Please fill it out, take it to the Welcome Center in the Foyer and grab a gift! We want guests to feel welcome and we hope to see you again!

<u>Prayer Requests</u> can be submitted via the website under the Ministries tab. These prayer requests go directly to Pastor Aaron and are confidential.

<u>Text to Give</u> is available. Please text GIVE to 231-386-0644 and then follow the instructions given! You can also give online by visiting connectionpointmi.com and click the DONATE tab for a secure transaction. Thanks for supporting our ministries here at Connection Point.

The Bridge the Gap Fund sign is across from the Café. If you are interested in giving above your tithes/offerings there is a giving kiosk at the FOR store. Please email the church office for more information.

**New Church Directory App** is available now! If you need help accessing it please contact the church office and we can work on getting you set up!

## Further Reflection for 4/2

- When have you placed hope in someone only to be let down?
- 2. When have you placed hope in someone and they delivered something greater than you imagined?
- 3. Read John Matthew 21:1-11
- 4. What jumps out to you from the text?
- 5. To shout "Hosanna" means you desire to be "saved" what is an area of life that you need God to "save" you out of?
- 6. To be saved from something implies you are being saved to something. In your faith journey where is Jesus saving you to something?
- 7. In verse 10, it says the whole city was stirred and asked the question, "Who is this?" Who is Jesus to you and how has he impacted your life?
- 8. Not long after Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem many people who shouted Hosanna, later shouted crucify him. Why is it that for them and maybe for you, is Jesus not the savior you or they wanted?
- 9. Jesus may not have been the savior people wanted, but he is the savior we all need. What is the most difficult area of your life for you to look and live like Jesus?
- 10. Read and re-read Matthew 5-7 each day this week. Rest in the words of Jesus in these chapters which are known as The Sermon on the Mount. This is the central teaching of Jesus.
- 11. Further Reading: Simply Jesus: NT Wright; Who is this Man: John Ortberg

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## **Weekly Gatherings:**

Sunday Service: 9AM & 10:30AM Kids Service: Sundays during both Services Youth Group: Sundays from 6-7:30PM