



Prayer Requests

HOMEBOUND

Please send a card (or visit) our homebound family and friends.
Connection is a necessity for good health.

Harry and Mary Franz 1337 Farrington Dr. Knoxville, TN 37923

Suzanne Levering Lyons View H&R Rm #316

5837 Lyons View Pike 37919

Bill Brazelton NHC Farragut 120 Cavette Hill Ln. #340 Farragut, TN 37934

OUR CONGREGATION

The Sarles Family	Mike Cate	Happy Hilty	Tammy Murphy
Don Quinley	Joy Catron	The Leckies	Gabby Denny
Suzanne Levering	Harry and Mary Franz	Harter & Hayden Crisp	

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF OUR CONGREGATION

Randy Pennington (brother of Gary Pennington)

Gynnae Lamb (daughter of Tony Denny)

Family of Eliana Jacks (member of Sonshine Co.)

Linda McCune (sister of Cynthia House)

Delaney Nicaud (member of J7)

Mary Bryan (daughter of Allyson Streckfuss)

Seth Turnbow (son of Cynthia and John House)

Brian Leckie (son of Dave and Sara Leckie)

Michelle (cousin of Kelli Canan-Denny)

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Ella Levering

Effie Fellers

Anna Bornhoeft

Kenleigh Pennington

Kathryn Bornhoeft

Amelia Brooke

Hallie Fellers

MILITARY

Jack Boswell (nephew of Kay Pennington) **Deploying soon**

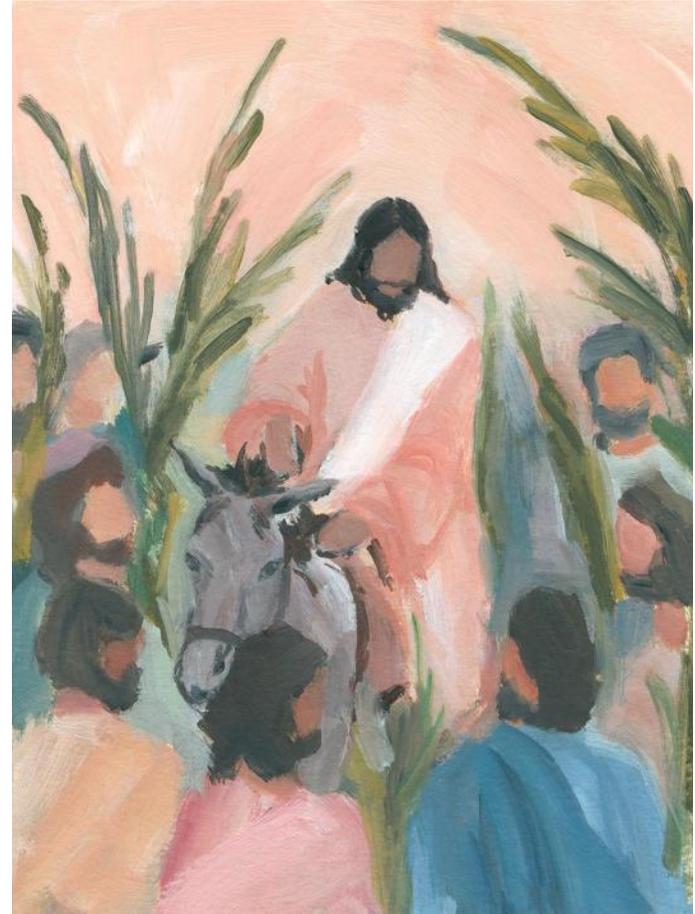
Zach and Noah Enix (Nicole Waters)

email admin@erinpresbyterian.org to add or remove a name.

ERIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MARCH 29, 2026

PALM SUNDAY



“WHO IS THIS?”

Rev. Joseph W. Taber IV, Pastor
April Cyr: Office Administrator
Joy Bornhoeft: Family Ministry Dir.
Joseph Jaynes: Choir Director & AV

Nancy Berry: Organist
Chloe Levering: Youth Director
Amelia Brooke: Nursery

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

9:30am Sunday School
11am Worship Service
12pm Youth Group
5pm Praise Band Practice
7pm AA Book Study

MONDAY, MARCH 30

7:30pm Men's AA

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

6:20am Journey 7
6:20am Sonshine
6:30pm Handbells
7:30pm Choir

THURSDAY, APRIL 2

10a and 7p Women's Bible Study

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

GOOD FRIDAY

6:30pm Good Friday Service
8pm AA

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

 Erin Presbyterian Church Community

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 Erin Presbyterian Church

OFFICE HOURS

9am to 3pm Mon-Fri
865-588-5350

FLOWERS

You can sign up in the narthex.
It's \$35 and you take your arrangement home after the service.

DEAR VISITORS

We're so happy you're here with us! We offer a Nursery if you need one. Ask an usher, or follow the signs, to find it. Use the blue card in the pew to share your contact info and any prayer concerns. It would be an honor to get to know you and pray for you. Just place the blue card in the offering plate.

PASTORAL CARE

If you have an emergency, call Pastor Joseph at 828-443-4757
You can email him at: pastor@erinpresbyterian.org

WE LIVESTREAM OUR SERVICE

If you're new to Erin Church, we want to make sure you know that we livestream our Sunday morning service, along with others at times. If you want to be out of view, please ask an usher to help you find a good spot to sit.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

This is Holy Week, leading up to the drama of the crucifixion and resurrection. By the time we reach Sunday God will have filled the cross and emptied the tomb. Does your faith focus more on the crucifixion, or on the resurrection? To what extent are they two parts of the same story, incomplete without the other?

MONDAY Matthew 23:25-39

TUESDAY Matthew 26:6-13

WEDNESDAY Psalm 22:1-19

THURSDAY Luke 22:1-6, 39-48

FRIDAY Isaiah 54:7-10

SATURDAY I Corinthians 1:21-31

SUNDAY Matthew 28:1-10

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

	MARCH 29	APRIL 5	APRIL 12
COFFEE	Diana Brandon	Pat Wallin	Mary Nelle Cate
BELL	Eliza Barber	William Taber	Ginger Thompson
GREETERS	Pat Wallin Kathy Boyd	Tony and Kelli Denny	Pat Wallin Kathy Boyd
GUIDE	Erin McCallum	Craig Strand	Eliza Barber
READER	Rickey McCallum	Betty Gibbs	Stacie Armsworth
USHERS	Mike Cate Gabby Denny Jim Montgomery	Rickey McCallum Robbie and Kelcey Levering	David Leckie Gabby Denny Mike Cate
COUNTERS	Neill Murphy Ann Snodgrass	Craig Strand Rickey McCallum	David Eggers John House
LIGHTS	Neill Murphy	Neill Murphy	
SOUND	Tammy Murphy	Tammy Murphy	Joe Jaynes
STREAM	Kevin Griffin	Kevin Griffin	Anna McKay
SLIDES	Anna McKay	David Snodgrass	

Pastor: Lord God, as we prepare to depart this place, unite us in the knowledge that you are Emmanuel, God-With-us. Work within us and through us so that all might know your peace, and rejoice in the knowledge that you are the LORD. Amen.

OFFERTORY “Beneath the Cross of Jesus” David Cherwien

***OFFERING** (in unison) “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”
*God, Whose giving knows no ending, from Your rich and endless store,
Nature’s wonder, Jesus’ wisdom, Costly cross, grave’s shattered door:
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ’s ageless call,
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving You by loving all.*

***DEDICATION** (unison)
*Holy LORD, we offer you these gifts in hope and in gratitude, for you
have already done so much on our behalf, and we look forward to
what you will do through these gifts, in the sight of all your people. In
Christ’s name we pray. Amen.*

***CLOSING HYMN** #88 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" v 1-3, 7

***BENEDICTION** Pastor Joseph
*For the benediction, please turn toward the center aisle and face one
another as we prepare to go out into the world.*

***DOXOLOGY** (in unison) #606
*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.*

POSTLUDE “Ride On, Ride On in Majesty” John Dykes

ERIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH VISION STATEMENT

Unified in Christ, we actively seek to create
harmony in a diverse community through
compassion, mutual respect, and love.



Erin Presbyterian Church Service of Worship



*those able, please stand. Prayers written by Pastor Joseph.

**congregation reads aloud verses in bold italics.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” Sandra Eithun
Joyful Sounds Handbell Ensemble

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 22

Pastor: I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters!

People: I will praise you in the very center of the congregation!

Pastor: Every part of the earth will remember and come back to the LORD.

People: Every family among all the nations will worship you!

Pastor: Indeed, all the earth’s powerful will worship him;

People: Generations to come will be told about my Lord.

All: Hosanna in the highest!

***HYMN** #596 "You are Holy" Erin Praise Band

PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Adapted from Isaiah 53 and Philippians 2

Guide: Good and gracious God, we rejoice in the coming of Christ Jesus, our Lord.

People: Though he was in the form of God, he emptied himself and became truly human, so that we might know the joy of your redemptive love.

Guide: Yet even as we confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, we also confess our sins. We blame others for our sufferings, and rebel against your will. Our crimes crush our neighbors and wound your heart.

People: We wander away from your path, each going our own way. Make us whole, oh Lord! Stop us from creating deep anguish. Help us to see the light of righteousness as we confess our frailties and failings in our silent confession...

- Silent Confessions -

Guide: Loving Lord, we humble ourselves as Christ showed us, trusting the redemption of which Christ assures us, and we pray as Christ taught us, saying, ***“The Lord’s Prayer” (debts/debtors) p. 35 in hymnal***

PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL *adapted from Romans 8*

Guide: Who is in a position to condemn? *Only* Christ. Rather than condemn us, Christ died for us, Christ was raised for us, Christ reigns in power over us, and Christ prays for us. Friends, we are beloved children of God. Believe the good news of the gospel: our sins are forgiven. Amen!

***CHORAL RESPONSE (in unison)**

#196 “All Glory Laud and Honor ” v.4

ANTHEM "Sing Hosanna!" Lloyd Larson

FAMILY SERMON Pastor Joseph
(Parents and all children, including elementary school students, come forward)

MINUTE FOR MISSION One Great Hour of Sharing - Ann Snodgrass

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide: Dear LORD, we are your people, and you are our God. May these words from Holy Scripture bless those who hear them, and may your Holy Spirit speak through the one who reads them. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Daniel 2:20-22

20 God’s name be praised from age to eternal age! Wisdom and might are his!

21 God is the one who changes times and eras, who dethrones one king, only to establish another, who grants wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those with insight.

22 God is the one who uncovers what lies deeply hidden; he knows what hides in darkness; light lives with him!

All: This is the Word of the Lord. Amen.

Matthew 21:1-11

1 When they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus gave two disciples a task.

2 He said to them, “Go into the village over there. As soon as you enter, you will find a donkey tied up and a colt with it. Untie them and bring them to me.

3 If anyone says anything to you, say that their master needs them.” He sent them off right away.

4-5 Now this happened to fulfill what the prophet said, say to Daughter Zion, “Look, your king is coming to you, humble and riding on a donkey, and on a colt the donkey’s offspring.”

6-7 The disciples went and did just as Jesus had ordered them. They brought the donkey and the colt and laid their clothes on them. Then he sat on them.

8 Now a large crowd spread their clothes on the road. Others cut palm branches off the trees and spread them on the road.

9 The crowds in front of him and behind him shouted, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!”

10 And when Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up. “Who is this?” they asked.

11 The crowds answered, “It’s the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

SERMON “Who Is This?” Pastor Joseph

***HYMN** #274 "You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd"

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING

Pastor: Great and gracious God, you have shown us love at every turn, and you have called us to be your people. Fill us with love for one another, that we may carry your light into all the places to which you are sending us.

People: In a hurting world, you have given us the good news of hope in Christ Jesus, so that we may know the plans you have for us. Help us to support one another in both celebration and in mourning, so that we might know that in joy and in sorrow we do not walk alone, so that all peoples will see your loving kindness poured out through the ways we put our faith into action.

— We light a candle as we pray for others and ourselves —