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Palm–Passion Sunday Worship Service
in the series “The Last Week”

Were You There?

Today is the premier public presentation of Dr. Joseph Kern’s Lenten cantata. The Colonial Church Choir is very honored to share this very special musical offering with you.



Colonial Church

in Prairie Village

www.colonialucc.org
913-362-7735

April 9, 2017
10:15 a.m.

Order of Worship

We Gather as God's Beloved People

- **Gathering Music**—Please silence your electronic devices in preparation for worship.
- **Palm Parade**
 - Hymn #213—“*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*”
- **A Time of Gifts and Offerings**
 - Offertory: *O Innocent Lamb of God* by Dupre
- **New Member Reception**
- **Sharing God's Welcome**
- **Children's Conversation**

We Hear a Word from God

Were you There? Cantata

-Kern

I. Were you There?

II. The Tree

III. The Sun Refused to Shine

IV. Mary's Cry

V. The Tomb

Soloists: soprano Laurel Mundell, mezzo soprano Kathy Huey, baritone Phillip Eatherton

We Depart to Serve

- **Benediction**

SUNDAY WORSHIP LEADERS

Liturgist:	Linda Moses
Videographer:	Geoff Robinson
Worship Graphics Operator:	Hayden Huggins
Children's Conversation:	Martha Wofford
Hospitality Table:	Jayne Quimby
Head Usher:	Mariam Fleming
Ushers:	Mariam Fleming, Leonore and Ed Rowe, Mary Pelton

COLONIAL STAFF

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Choral Cantata Today - As we celebrate Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem on his Last Week, we turn to the story of his Passion with the choral cantata *Were You There?* This cantata is the world premiere composed by our own Dr. Joseph Kern based on the spiritual "Were You There?" The Colonial Choir is honored to share this special musical offering with you at both worship services today.

Last Day to Order An Easter Lily — Today is the last day to place an order for an Easter lilies to be placed on the altar for Easter Sunday, April 16. You can order a plant in memory of or in honor of a loved one. If you wish to donate a lily, use the enclosed form — complete it, attach a check for \$17.00 each (payable to Colonial Church), and place it in the offering plate today. All lilies will be distributed by the Care Committee after Easter worship.

Holy Week Sermons and Soup

Sermons and Soup is a tradition open to everyone. Colonial Women provides an excellent community meal of soup and bread and a chance to digest the meaning and power of Holy Week.

- Holy Thursday, April 13 with Communion (worship at noon with soup lunch following)
- Holy Friday, April 14 (Soup lunch at noon with worship following)

If you can help by providing soup or bread, please sign up in the narthex today.

"You Will See Him" Easter Sunday Worship We will worship at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 16 as we celebrate the Gospel Easter hope that "You Will See Him." Activity for children at both services. Pastor Aaron preaching.

Easter Breakfast at Colonial — Bring your family and enjoy a wonderful breakfast prepared by the Board of Parish Life. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 to 10:45 a.m. Freewill offering accepted.

An Evening in India — Colonial Women will host "Evening in India" on Sunday, April 30, 5:00-6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. This is an opportunity to learn more about the UCC's Global Ministries Mission in Mungeli, India. Gayatri Ganesh, Director of Development, will be our guest for a light meal of delicious Indian cuisine, and will speak about the Christian Hospital Mungeli and the Rambo Memorial English Medium School in Mungeli, India. This is a church-wide event. Child care will be available by reservation. Sign up in the narthex today.

Colonial Women Activities

- **Blue Moose Tuesday.** Tuesday, April 11, 5:30 p.m., Prairie Village.
- **Book Group.** Friday, April 28, 7:00 p.m., home of Stephanie Graff. Discuss the book *Life in a Jar: The Irena Sendler Project* by Jack Mayer.
- **Coffee.** Monday, May 1, 9:30 a.m., Big Biscuit.

Colonial Friends to Weston — Colonial Friends will travel to Weston, MO on Wednesday, April 19 for a guided tour of the re-opened distillery. Lunch together at the Tin Kitchen in downtown Weston. Schedule will provide a little time for exploring the shops, buildings, and railroad facilities downtown. Meet in the Colonial Church parking lot by 9:00 to carpool. Tour will gather in the tour administration building at 10:15. The cost is \$10 per person. There will be a little walking during the tour on paved sidewalks, but a golf cart will be available. Call or email Bob Starcke at 913-458-3655 or rstarcke@gmail.com if you would like to join us.

Serve the Homeless: Note Date Change for April! — It is exciting to be a part of the work that Kar Woo offers to needy area residents. In April there is a one-time change from the fourth Sunday and we will serve on Sunday, April 30. To help with the preparation, bake cookies to serve or to come to the Plaza to share, sign up online at <http://tinyurl.com/AHH-Colonial>. The online sign-up is available for all dates in 2017. Colonial Church joins Artists Helping the Homeless on the 4th Sunday of every month as we seek to serve those in need. Meals are cooked at Colonial and served by the JC Nichols Fountain on the Plaza, from 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Feed the Hungry Donations — Thanks to all who make a habit of bringing a contribution of food for the red wagon in the narthex. Each Sunday the contents are delivered to the Village Church Food Pantry, who distribute items to patrons all over the Kansas City area. Some of you find it more convenient to write a check for the collection plate marked “Food Pantry” on the memo line. The food pantry uses these dollars to purchase items from Harvesters at a very good price. You do make a difference. Be a part!

Vacation Bible School 2017 — Save the date for Maker Fun Factory on July 11-14 at Colonial!

The Week Ahead

TODAY, April 9

8:30 am—Worship
9:15—That Was the Week That Was, Library
9:30—Adult Education Series, Cambridge Room
9:30—Centering Prayer, Preschool Room
10:15—Worship
10:30—Sunday School
11:15—Coffee & Conversation, Heritage Room

MONDAY, April 10

10:00 am—Colonial Women Board, Oberlin Room

TUESDAY, April 11

9:30 am—Book Group, Heritage Room
5:30 pm—Colonial Women Blue Moose Tuesday, Prairie Village Shops

WEDNESDAY, April 12

9:30 am—Visit with Pastor Aaron, Einstein Brothers - Prairie Village Shops
9:30 am—Writers Group, Heritage Room
7:00 pm—Colonial Choir, Choir Room

THURSDAY, April 13

10:00 am—Bible Study, Pastor’s Office
12:00 pm—Sermons and Soup, Sanctuary/Social Hall
6:30 pm—AA, Oberlin Room

FRIDAY, April 14

12:00 pm—Sermons and Soup, Social Hall/Sanctuary

SUNDAY, April 16 - Easter

8:30-10:45 am—Easter Breakfast, Social Hall
9:00—Worship
11:00—Worship

GUEST INFORMATION

Welcome to Colonial Church in Prairie Village! We are glad you have worshiped with us today. If you have questions or concerns, feel free to call our church office at 913-362-7735. Aaron Roberts, our senior pastor, is here Monday-Thursday of each week and his email address is aaron@colonialucc.org.

A fully staffed nursery is available each Sunday morning from 8:20 to 11:30 a.m.

Hearing Devices—Hearing-assisted devices and large-print bulletins are available in the narthex. The worship service this morning can also be heard in the library.

Children’s Sunday School—Children preschool through 6th grade may leave after the Children’s Conversation at the 10:15 a.m. worship service to go to class.

Youth Group—The Colonial Church Youth Group welcomes 7th through 12th grade students. Sunday gatherings are in the youth room (the Savoy Room) at 10:15 a.m.

Watch our Weekly Services and Sermons—You can watch our worship services on YouTube at <http://tinyurl.com/colonialworship-online> and get the sermon, bulletin and study guide on our website. Our 10:15am worship service is live-streamed, so please contact the church office if you have a privacy concern.