

## Getting Ahead Volunteer (Thursday Evenings)

Support program directors Lori Miller and Haley Trueblood.

Share a meal. Build relationships. Encourage participants as they reflect on poverty's impact, build personal resources, set SMART goals, improve communication skills, and work toward long-term stability.

Getting Ahead is a community that supports and challenges participants as they envision a better future for themselves and their families.

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## Summer Enrichment Program

For five weeks, approximately 65 children participate in enrichment activities focused on fine arts, science, sports, social skills, and more.

Each child receives breakfast and lunch daily, along with a weekend food package on Fridays.

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

**Beginnings Service:** 9:30AM

**The Interlude:** 10:30 AM

**Mosaic Service:** 11:00 AM

## CONNECT WITH US:

Phone: 765.658.6010

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inspiring us to act

*Palm Sunday*

March 29, 2026

*Please take the opportunity to fill out the Prayer and Gratitude Card, along with a Connection Card.*

*You'll be invited to place them in the offering tray later in the service.*

## ENTRANCE

Prelude

Welcome

Centering

Call to Worship

Leader: Will you follow?

Will you lay down your coat?

Will you lay down something important?

Will you shout "Hosanna"?

Will you join the parade?

Will you sing, even if your throat is hoarse?

Will you cut down a palm branch?

Will you wave it in the air?

Will you follow the one riding on a donkey?

Will you let this good news inspire you to act?

**People: We will. We will sing. We will pay close attention.**

**We will worship. We will follow.**

Leader: Hosanna in the highest!

**People: Hosanna in the highest.**

Opening Prayer

Song

## PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

**Isaiah 50:4-9a**

*After the Reading, the Reader says*

The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Lesson

**Mark 11:1-11**

*Silence follows. Then the People stand as they are able.*

*After the Gospel, the Pastor says*

For the Word of God in scripture,

for the Word of God among us,

for the Word of God within us:

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Pastor Alisa Isaacs-Bailey

Prayers of the People

## THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

Jesus of Nazareth,

we know that you spent your days teaching and healing.

You marched through the streets and walked on water.

You laid hands on the sick and broke bread at crowded dinner tables.

Your good news was not confined to conversation.

It was not confined to the Temple.

Your good news was an act of love, alive in the world.

Holy God, we long for a faith like that.

Forgive us for the times when we confine our faith

## MISSION & SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Loving God by Loving Neighbor — Through Personal Relationship  
At Gobin, we believe care is not abstract.

It is personal. It is relational. It is embodied presence.

Each of these opportunities reflects our commitment to walk alongside others — listening, encouraging, and building community.

### Women's Jail Ministry.

Tuesday evenings at the Putnam County Jail

Spend time with women who are incarcerated — showing love, hearing stories, and simply being present.

**Contact: Lisa Trigg**

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### Gobin Advocates for PROP (Post Release Opportunities Program).

A partnership with Family Support Services

When women are released from incarceration, they need consistent support. Advocates assist with transportation (appointments, shopping), job applications, technology, community connections, and sometimes accompany them to worship.

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### Kids Hope Mentor

Make a difference in the life of a child.

Kids Hope USA matches one child with one mentor for one hour each week during the school day. Gobin mentors partner with students at Deer Meadow Primary School and Tzouanakis Intermediate School.

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## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

If you or someone you know is ill, injured, or otherwise in need of prayer or visitation, please fill out a prayer card, or let the pastoral staff or church office know. Jai will work to keep us connected.

Here are members of our Gobin connection who need prayer & comfort at this time:

*Margot MacCracken, Brandie Sitton, Andrea Insley, Ashlee Vitz, Sandy Miller, Katie Isaacs-Bailey, Jim & Windy Watt, Luke & Sherry DeJaynes, Larry Rider, Ann Hansen, Marcia Linville, Matt Fruits, Heather Cantonvine, Kids Hope mentors & students, Valyrian residents, residents of the Putnam Co. Jail, Kyan, Vivi, Treasure, Yun Ling, Ajaypal Singh and all ICE detainees in the Clay Co Detention Center*

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please fill out a prayer request card or send an email to [prayers@gobinumc.org](mailto:prayers@gobinumc.org)

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## OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER

You may have noticed the votive candles near the entrance to the sanctuary. We invite you to take one and join Wednesday morning prayer from 7:45-8am wherever you are. If you wish to have a candle, but are not able to come to the church, contact us and we will arrange to have someone bring it to you.

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## WAYS TO GIVE

- Make checks payable to Gobin Church
- Text “Gobin” to 73256
- Online at [www.gobin.live/give](http://www.gobin.live/give)
- Scan the QR code



to something we think about, as opposed to something we act upon.

**Inspire us to love as you loved.**

**Inspire us to act.**

**With hope for tomorrow we pray, amen.**

## Words of Forgiveness

Church family,  
whether or not you wave your palm branch,  
whether or not you live out your faith,  
whether or not you allow this good news to inspire your actions,  
God will never stop loving you.  
Jesus will never stop marching for you.  
The Spirit will never stop listening to you.  
**We are claimed, loved, and held in grace.**  
**What good, good news. Amen!**

## Passing the Peace

Offering

Offertory

Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise God, all creatures here below.**

**Praise God, above ye Heavenly Host.**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

## Offering Prayer

### The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

*A period of silence is kept.*

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

## Prayer after Communion

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery  
in which you have given yourself to us.**

**Grant that we may go into the world  
in the strength of your Spirit,  
to give ourselves for others,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## SENDING FORTH

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

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**Daily Lenten Devotional Cards and a Devotional Booklet can be  
found on our website!  
[www.gobinchurch.org/devotionals](http://www.gobinchurch.org/devotionals)**

## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

As we enter this most sacred season of the Christian year, we invite you into a full and meaningful Holy Week journey at Gobin Church.

Because of the many opportunities for worship throughout the week—Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday—we will gather as one unified congregation for Easter Sunday.

### Easter Sunday – April 5

**ONE** Combined Service at 10:00 AM

(Matthew 28:1–10)

The Good News Is Alive in the World

### Holy Week:

Wednesday (*April 1*): Tenebrae Service 7:00 PM @ St. Andrew's

Maundy Thursday (*April 2*): 7:00 PM at St. Andrew's

Good Friday (*April 3*): 7:00 PM at Gobin

Holy Saturday (*April 4*): 8:30 PM Starts at Gobin, ends at St. Andrew's

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## DAILY DEVOTIONAL

Holy Week: *Palm/Passion Sunday*

**Prayer:** Merciful God, whether I'm shouting in the streets or whispering from my bedside, I know you hear my cries of "Hosanna!" Help me to hear the cries of others, too. Give me ears to listen for the voices of those crying out to be saved from a world hell-bent on violence, oppression, domination, and destruction. Let me join my "Hosannas!" with theirs. Let me act mercifully, justly, and compassionately until the world comes back into harmony again.

In hope I pray, amen.

As Jesus processes into Jerusalem, the people cry "Hosanna!" which means "Save us!" Who is crying out to be saved now? How can you act with mercy?

**Good news mantra:** Like Jesus, I will  
choose mercy.