

April 4, 2023
HOLY WEEK

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The Wright Stuff



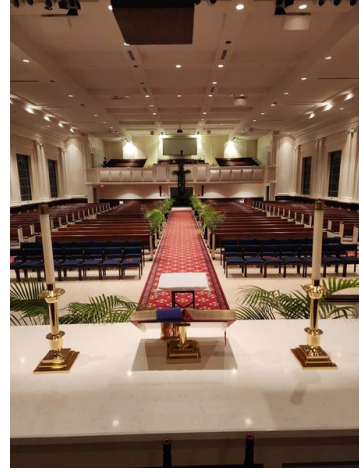
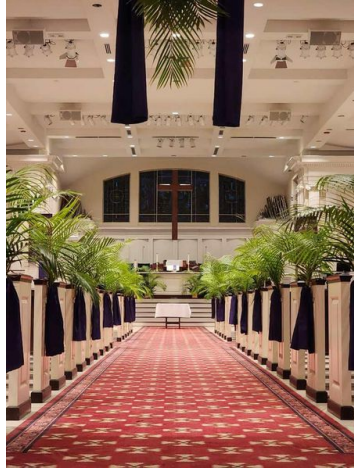
Don't Be Afraid.

Then Jesus said to them, "Don't be afraid. Go and tell my brothers that I am going into Galilee. They will see me there." Matthew 28:1-10

The angel said to the two women both named Mary, "Don't be afraid. I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He isn't here, because he's been raised from the dead, just as he said." Then when Jesus appeared to them, he said, "Don't be afraid." Easter means, above all, that we don't need to be afraid. Christ has conquered death. The Light of the World has defeated darkness. Joy has overcome grief and sadness. Thanks be to God. We don't have to be afraid.

Dr. Sam

Palm Sunday



First Church was beautifully decorated for Palm Sunday in both the Chapel and the Sanctuary!

Holy Week Services

Holy Week

April 6 - Holy Thursday (Communion Service)
7 p.m.

April 7 - Stations of the Cross Pilgrimage
7:00 a.m. gather at
Regal Hollywood
Theater

First United Methodist Church of Sarasota

Easter Services

April 9

8:30 and 11 a.m.

Sanctuary

*Special Music with Brass,
Organ, and Choir*



Sarasota's Good Friday Pilgrimage

Good Friday, April 7

Everyone is invited to Walk Your Faith this Holy Week by experiencing “The Way” or the “Stations of The Cross,” on Good Friday, April 7. The pilgrimage begins to gather at 7 a.m. and starts at 7:20 a.m. in front of the Regal Hollywood movie theater on Main Street.

NOTE: Busses will go from the Church of the Redeemer (one block from First Church) to Regal between 6 and 7 a.m. and from The Redeemer back to Regal after the walk, for those who parked their cars near the theatres.

United Women in Faith



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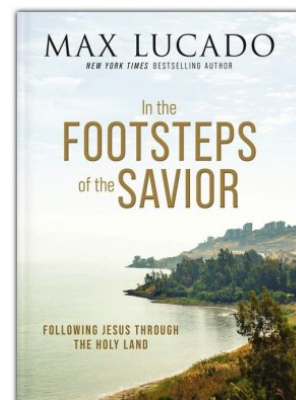
Easter Celebration
Tuesday April 11 ~ 10 a.m.
Room 104 and Zoom

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Women's Spiritual Growth Group

New Study
In the Footsteps of the Savior by Max Lucado
Tuesdays, April 18 – May 23 2:30 p.m.
Room 104 and Zoom

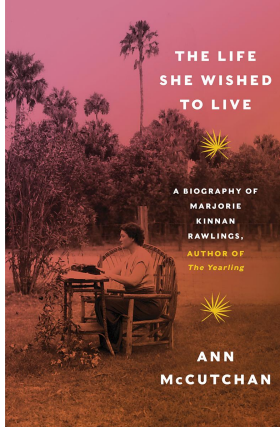
The next best thing to a guided tour of the Holy Land as author Max Lucado reflects on Jesus' ministry on earth and love for us. Come for study and fellowship. Newcomers always welcome! Contact Susan Quigley (susanq1@verizon.net; 401-935-0260).



First's Book Club

Everyone's Invited!

The Life She Wished to Live
by Ann McCutchan



Monday, April 24 ~ 10 a.m.
Room 104 and Zoom

Contact Leah Pittard (rockpitt38@gmail.com)

Read the Bible In One Year

Join the 5-day reading plan at www.FiveDayBibleReading.com.

Readings for Week 14

- Day 1: Joshua 14-17; *Luke 17*
- Day 2: Joshua 18-21; Psalm 15; *Luke 18*
- Day 3: Joshua 22-24; Psalm 116; *Luke 19*
- Day 4: Judges 1-3; Psalm 16; *Luke 20*
- Day 5: Judges 4-6; *Luke 21*

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