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WHICH FACE ARE YOU???

"The next day the great crowd that had come for the Feast heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the King of Israel!" (John 12:12-13) There were many people in the crowd during the "Triumphal Entry" of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem. If we look at the story closely, we might find ourselves or those around us, in the crowd as well.

There were those in the crowd that were committed. "The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. They brought a donkey and the colt, placed their cloaks on them, and Jesus sat down." (MTT. 21:6-7) A committed follower of Christ is one who obeys and follows the commands of Him without questioning. The committed follower recognizes that Jesus is Lord. It is the one who gives willingly of themselves for the cause of Christ.

There were those in the crowd that were confused. "When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" The crowds answered, 'This is Jesus, the prophet." (MT. 21:10-11) They did not recognize Jesus for who He really was, the Promised Messiah. Many thought Jesus was coming to overthrow the Roman government and take political control. The confused do not see Jesus for who He truly is. They do not understand God's plan for their life or that it is by God's grace that they are saved.

There were those in the crowd that were curious. The word had spread of Jesus' miracle of raising Lazarus from the dead. "Many people, because they had heard that he had given this miraculous sign, went out to meet him." (John 12:17-18) The curious people in the crowd seemed full of wonder about what amazing thing Jesus might do next. There is no commitment to Jesus, but there is no opposition as well. They have heard interesting things about Jesus and want to find out for themselves. One might ask, are they looking for the truth, or just what feels right for the moment?

There were those in the crowd that were in opposition. After the disciples of Jesus praised God, some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!" (LK. 19:39) Those who are in opposition seek to promote their own interests. They also seek to destroy those who would promote Jesus Christ in their lives and in the lives of others. The question now would be, which one are you? As Jesus approached Jerusalem, Luke 19 says that "he wept over it." Jesus mourned for the faces in the crowd. No matter which face is yours, Jesus loves you. As Jesus went through the crowd He saw each and every face, and knew each and every story. Jesus sees your face today and knows your story. Will you allow Him to be the Lord and Savior of your life?

~Ron Saracino

| NEWS & NOTES | | | | |
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| Wed. Night Bible Study via zoom -7pm | | Spooner House has specific needs for | | |
| Fri. Nov. 18- Ladies Bible Study @ church | | towels,washcloths,pillow cases, toothbrushes and toothpaste | | |
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To Our visitors: We welcome you to the worship service of the church of Christ that meets in Trumbull. Please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the collection plate when it is passed so that we may have a record of your attendance. If you have any questions concerning why we worship the way we do or what we believe, please feel free to ask. We would be happy to set aside time to study the Bible with you. Please let us know if we can be of service

Prayer Requests

*Pray for **Hannah Schilling**, recent R,N, graduate who will be moving back to Ct. 2/23 as she accepted a job at YNHH ER. It has been her dream to move back to Ct.

*Prayers for Gus & Nancy Roldan, and Mike & Ginny Lichac (former members), lost their son, Christopher Roldan.

*Randy Springer is at Lord Chamberlain recovering from a spinal infection,

*Pray for **Toni Bonadio**, she had an angiogram this week which discovered a 50% blockage.

*Pray for **Maria Walsh** (a friend of Toni & Joann) who recently suffered a stroke.

*Pray for the **Repecko's**, they lost a friend,Bruce Antsy this week from cancer. Continued prayers for **Flo** as she had an abnormal EKG and is wearing a heart monitor. Also for their daughter **Lauren** who is having many health issues and awaiting medical test results.

*Pray for **Anthony Yanis**, recently diagnosed with prostate cancer.

*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- **Judith Gomez, David Fritzinger, Cohen** (Ron's friend), **Sarah** (Angela's niece), **Teri** (Ray's S-I-L)

*Pray for our country & our leaders in government ,first responders and health care workers.

*Pray for families, relatives, friends and people we are reaching out to, that they may turn to the Lord.

Special prayers for our church leaders.

Prayers for all families caring for their elderly or sick loved ones: Allie Saracino-Cherie,

*Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses:Jeremy Sazone,Flo Repecko, Pat Yaglowski. Meegan and Irene, Sylvia Sandoval, Nuris Gomez,, Mel, Mildred,Gladys Howley, Karen O, Angela's mom Connie Scalzo, Anthony Katz., Jasmyn Malagutti,Daniel Ruiz., Zak Pappas Fernandes., Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Cyrus (Zach's friend) dad who has brain cancer, Lance Flood, Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes.

Mel's new address: 228 Wesley Heights Rd. Shelton, Ct. 06484

*Anyone interested in helping with **World Bible School-** contact Ron

*Opportunities to serve: any men willing to participate in worship service in other capacities for the church, please contact Bruce Post. Anyone interested in leading and/or helping with the building or church house maintenance please contact Bruce Pancoast.

Please bring nonperishable food items for the **Spooner House** - a list of all items needed is on back table: Jelly/Jam/Peanut Butter, Cereal/Oatmeal, Canned Meats: Chicken, Tuna, Corned Beef Hash, Canned Ravioli/Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit/Applesauce, Crackers/Snacks, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Ramen, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Baked beans/Pork and Beans, Canned/Dried Beans (i.e. Black, Chick Pea, Cannellini, Kidney, Pinto), Rice/Rice-A-Roni, Soup/Stew/Chili, Instant/Canned Potatoes/Yams. Bring these food items to the building to be delivered to the Spooner House. Please make sure that items do not have expired dates. Thank you

Sunday Bible Class 10 am @ church building Wednesday Bible Classes: 7:00 p.m canceled til further notice, participate online via Zoom

Worship Service @ 11 am

Elders: Bruce Pancoast 203-452- 0426 Ron Saracino 203-913-8345 Minister: Ron Saracino 203-913-8345 Spanish Ministry: Elmer Sandavol

914-914-486-9146

Deacons: Ray Fernandes 203-459- 0284 **Luis Ruiz** 203-610-2396 Week of Nov.13,2022
Online Bible study and service
Go to Trumbull Church of Christ website:
trumbull churchofchrist.org
Song Leader: Derin Wilson
Lord's Table: Jay Reecko

Week of 11/6-11/13

Closing Prayer: Bruce Post

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