

Our **mission** is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our **vision** is to lovingly give every person in our community the opportunity to believe in and follow Jesus for life.



## **Holy Week 2022 – Monday, April 11 – Daily Devotional**

### **Verse of the Day**

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honor. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him, objected, "Why wasn't this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year's wages." He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

"Leave her alone," Jesus replied. "It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have me."

Meanwhile a large crowd of Jews found out that Jesus was there and came, not only because of him but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests made plans to kill Lazarus as well, for on account of him many of the Jews were going over to Jesus and believing in him. John 12:1-11

### **From Pastor Steve...**

It's Monday of Holy Week. As we begin this week, Jesus has entered into Jerusalem amidst praise from the disciples and crowds and some scorn from the religious leaders. He rode in on a borrowed colt to accomplish the mission for which he came to earth.

Our verse for the day tells the story of a dinner Jesus went to the home of Mary, Martha, and Lazarus. Jesus loved this family. He wept at the tomb of Lazarus, right before Jesus raised him from the dead. Mary took an expensive jar of perfume and anointed Jesus with it as a sign of respect and love...a sacrifice for sure to show Jesus how much he meant to her.

As we begin this Holy Week, ask yourself how much Jesus means to you. Is there a sacrifice you'd make for Him? Would it be everything you have? That's the question. Are you willing to give your life for him? If so, you'll be raised again when he returns. Praise God!