

# The Connection

## *Messages of Hope*



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## “Ascents to the Passover and Golgotha”

Let's walk through **three chronological stages in the life of Jesus** from the **Passover (Last Supper)** to His **burial**, using Scripture as our guide. This journey encompasses the events of **Thursday evening through Friday evening**, leading up to the Sabbath.

### 1. The Last Supper to Gethsemane (Thursday Evening)

#### ◆ The Last Supper (Passover Meal)

This is when Jesus shares His final meal with His disciples and institutes the Lord's Supper.

📖 **Luke 22:19-20 (ESV)**

“And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, ‘This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.’ And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, ‘This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.’”

#### ◆ Prediction of Betrayal and Denial

Jesus foretells that Judas will betray Him and that Peter will deny Him.

📖 **Matthew 26:21, 34**

“Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me.”

“Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times.”

#### ◆ Gethsemane: Jesus' Agony in Prayer

After the meal, Jesus and His disciples go to the Mount of Olives, where Jesus prays in deep anguish.

📖 **Matthew 26:36-39**

“Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane... And going a little farther he fell on his face and prayed, saying, ‘My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will.’”

### 2. Arrest, Trials, and Crucifixion (Thursday Night–Friday Afternoon)

#### ◆ Betrayal and Arrest

Judas betrays Jesus with a kiss; Jesus is arrested.

📖 **Luke 22:47-48**

“While he was still speaking, there came a crowd, and the man called Judas... drew near to Jesus to kiss him. But Jesus said to him, ‘Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?’”

#### ◆ Jewish and Roman Trials

Jesus is taken before the Sanhedrin, then Pilate, then Herod, then back to Pilate.

📖 **Mark 14:61-62**

“Again the high priest asked him, ‘Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?’ And Jesus said, ‘I am...’”

📖 **John 18:36-37**

“Jesus answered, ‘My kingdom is not of this world... For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth.’”

#### ◆ Crucifixion and Death

Jesus is mocked, beaten, and crucified at Golgotha.

📖 **Luke 23:33-34**

“And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him... And Jesus said, ‘Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.’”

📖 **John 19:30**

“When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, ‘It is finished,’ and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.”

### 3. Burial Before the Sabbath (Friday Evening)

#### ◆ Burial by Joseph of Arimathea

As the Sabbath approached, Jesus' body was taken down and buried.

📖 **Mark 15:42-46**

“And when evening had come, since it was the day of Preparation... Joseph of Arimathea... took courage and went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus... And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud and laid him in a tomb.”

📖 **John 19:41-42**

“Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb... So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, since the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.”

# HOPE Calendar

Wednesday, April 16  
NO SERVICES  
TONIGHT

Thursday, April 17  
MAUNDY THURSDAY  
@ 7:00pm

Sunday, April 20  
Worship Team Run Through  
@ 8:00 a.m.  
EASTER SERVICE @ 9:30 a.m.  
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Wednesday, April 23  
Wednesday Night Supper @ 6pm  
Study & Prayer @ 7:00

Thursday, April 24  
Worship Team Rehearsal @ 7:00

## Helping Hands for APRIL 20, 2024

ProPresenter  
*Bill Joyner*  
*Soundboard*

Live Streaming  
*Diane Williams*  
Communion  
*Dianne Reinoso*  
Greeter  
*Joan Rollinson*

Scripture Text and Sermon  
This Coming Sunday  
RESURRECTION  
SUNDAY  
"Ascending to NEW LIFE"  
Mark 16:5-8  
Romans 6:1-7

### Prophecies O.T.

Revealed....	N.T.
Apr 13	Acts 4:25-28
Apr 14	Ps 2:2
Apr 15	John 1:41
Apr 16	Ps 2:6
Apr 17	John 8:46
Apr 18	Ps 2:6

## GROW

**Women of HOPE**  
**Saturdays at 10a.m. at HOPE**

**Wednesday Night - 4/16**  
***NO WEDNESDAY EVENING  
SUPPER, STUDY, AND PRAYER  
DURING HOLY WEEK.***

**"Food of the Month"**  
for the Raleigh Dream Center  
Food Pantry  
**Boxed Cereal**  
We have a collection bin in the foyer

**HOPE Meal Ministry**  
Take a meal from the freezer if  
needed for you or someone else.

## SERVE

**TLC Devotion**  
**5th Wednesday THIS month**  
**@ 11:00 a.m.**  
5124 Departure Dr # 101, Raleigh

### Prayer Requests:

Janice Worthington, Donna Williams, Ron C., Ms. Ellie, Dale H., Jerry & Alice K., Burton(Erin), The Branch's, Phil Parton, Krishana, HOPE Vision Team, God's peace in the USA, Dave Rendall, Gene & Becky Hale, Sam and Rachael, Joan Rollinson, Will Floyd's Fiancé's Mother: Jennifer, Dianne Reinoso, Cindy (Elizabeth), Nancy Hutchens (Positive Cancer), Pastor Search Committee, Barbara(81) Stroke, Joey(18) Crohn's, Ebo (Glioblastoma #3/4)-family has 4 children, Youth Ministry, Kathy Jo and her family, Peggy Karpenske, Claudia in Idaho (Kathy H), Patty Moyer's son Brandon, Dave & Dot Geil, Corbin Broome, The Mallory family, Carol & Colin (Kathy H), Loretta (Sandi U), Joan Summers, Shelley Riggelman (Bruce), Jordan Stevens (Lynn J.), Ellie Tappan, Carlyle and Cynthia Franklin.

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**UPCOMING**  
**WOMEN OF HOPE**  
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**4/26/25**  
**Why do you call one day good  
and another day bad?**

**HOPE Church Raleigh**  
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