

March 24, 2024 Mark Harris **Palm Sunday** Matthew 21:1-11

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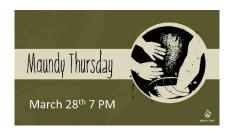
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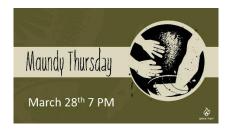
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