

Hands of Praise Deaf Church

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- You can give an offering online on our website or mail it to our church address
- Tuesday Bible study 6:30pm on Zoom
 - To join the study email pastor@handsofpraise.org
- Ladies Bible study Wednesday March 25, 6:30pm
 - To join the study email bonnie@handsofpraise.org
- Soup & Scripture after church March 29
- Good Friday interpreted service April 3, 7:00pm

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Preparing to Bury Jesus

Mark 14:3 (EasyEnglish Bible) Then Jesus went to Bethany, and he visited Simon at his house. At one time, Simon had had a bad disease of the skin. While Jesus was eating a meal there, a woman came into the house. She brought a small stone jar that contained expensive oil with a very nice smell. They used nard to make it. The woman broke the jar to open it. Then she poured the oil over Jesus' head.

Psalm 51:17 The sacrifice God wants is a broken spirit. God, you will not reject a heart that is broken and sorry for sin.

John 12:4-6 Judas Iscariot, one of Jesus' followers who would later turn against him, was there. Judas said, ⁵“This perfume was worth an entire year's wages. Why wasn't it sold and the money given to the poor?” ⁶ But Judas did not really care about the poor; he said this because he was a thief. He was the one who kept the money box, and he often stole from it.

Mark 14:6-9 Jesus said, “Leave her alone. Why are you troubling her? She did an excellent thing for me. ⁷ You will always have the poor with you, and you can help them anytime you want. But you will not always have me. ⁸ This woman did the only thing she could do for me; she poured perfume on my body to prepare me for burial. ⁹ I tell you the truth, wherever the Good News is preached in all the world, what this woman has done will be told, and people will remember her.”