

Worship for the Lord's Day Palm Sunday Service March 24, 2024 10:45 a.m.

PRELUDE

"Ride on! Ride On in Majesty!" *Jubilate Ringers*

Raney

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please pass & sign the red friendship folders with attendance pads found on the pews.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 118)

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.

Congregation: The LORD is God, and God Has given us light.

Leader: Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

Congregation: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you.

All: Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

En Español:

Líder: Bendito el que viene en el nombre del SEÑOR.

Congregación: Jehová es Dios, y Dios nos ha dado luz.

Líder: Atar la procesión festiva con ramas, hasta los cuernos del altar.

Congregación: Tú eres mi Dios y te daré gracias.

Todos: ¡Hosanna! ¡Hosanna en lo más alto!

^{*}Please stand if able.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from You and turned aside from Your way. We are misled by pride, and see ourselves as pure, when stained, great, when small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored Your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive us. Return us to Your path. Return us to Your work.

En Español: Dios de misericordia, enviaste a Jesucristo a buscar y salvar a los perdidos. Confesamos que nos hemos desviado de Ti y nos hemos desviado de Tu camino. Nos dejamos engañar por el orgullo y nos vemos puros cuando estamos manchados, grandes cuando somos pequeños. Hemos fallado en el amor, hemos descuidado la justicia y hemos ignorado Tu verdad. Ten piedad, oh Dios, y perdónanos. Devuélvenos a Tu camino. Devuélvenos a Tu trabajo.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

While we know we will never be perfect, we must remember that our God is a God of infinite second chances. Jesus lived for us. Jesus died for us. Jesus rose for us. Jesus lives in power for us.

En Español: Si bien sabemos que nunca seremos perfectos, debemos recordar que nuestro Dios es un Dios de infinitas segundas oportunidades. Jesús vivió para nosotros. Jesús murió por nosotros. Jesús resucitó por nosotros. Jesús vive en poder para nosotros.

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

THE PASSING OF PEACE

Leader: Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. To this peace we are called as members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(The congregation is invited to greet one another with words and signs of peace.)

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn No. 581)

BLESSING FOR THE CHILDREN

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you, and give you peace, and give you peace forever.

Children are invited to grab their busy bags or visit the "Wiggle & Rock" area near the Gathering Place entrance at the front of the church. If your child needs a bag, visit Stephanie in the nursery and let her know.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Mark 11:1-11

¹When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples ² and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³ If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" ⁴ They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵ some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶ They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷ Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸ Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹ Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰ Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" ¹¹ Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

"Ironic Celebration" Rev. Katie Rosenson

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Stewardship remains a part of what we do about what we believe. Please mail your offering by check to the church, or send it electronically via the "Give Now" button at the top of our homepage. If you are attending services in person, you can place your offering in the red boxes or in the plate, as the ushers come down the center aisles.

*DOXOLOGY (Hymn No. 606) - Elizabeth Weber, piano

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow Praise him, all creatures here below Praise him above, ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER IN UNISON

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN No. 198

"Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!"

ST. DROSTANE

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Three-fold Amen"

POSTLUDE

Spanish Translation by Keishla Luciano.

Peace Pearl: For God is not a God of disorder, but a God of peace.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESENTS

Between the Dust

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP MARCH 28 | 7:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP MARCH 29 | 7:00 p.m.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE
MARCH 31 | 6:30 a.m. | SAM LEWIS STATE PARK

TRADITIONAL EASTER SERVICES MARCH 31 | 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 p.m.

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