

The Church at Worship

**Those who are able are invited to stand.*

Congregational responses and unison readings are indicated in bold.

The Gathering

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Hosanna!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Father, we come to you with mixed emotions. We celebrate today as the day that our Lord Jesus arrives in Jerusalem. However, all these thousands of years later, we know what happens during this next week and we find ourselves grieving. Help us today, to only focus on the present, this Palm Sunday, and rejoice in His coming as He will do again one day when the *real* celebration will come to pass – when He saves us all. In His name, now and always, Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We claim God's salvation in Christ our Savior with the word:

People: Hosanna! Hosanna!

Leader: An unlikely king, he rides into Jerusalem on the back of a donkey never before ridden

People: And still we recognize Him.

Leader: We find God's majesty in this humble man who leads a group of ragtag followers

People: Let us worship Christ with thanksgiving for his hope-filled entry into our lives.

*HYMN OF PRAISE Hosanna, Loud Hosanna # 233

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us now confess before God our tendency, like the Jerusalem crowds, to profess our faith in moments of enthusiasm and deny our faith in moments of fear and stress. Join together in our confessions:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Hosanna, we pray. Save us, Lord. Save us from ourselves when we trip over pride, doubt, or fear. Save us from the systems that keep us bound when we cannot see the way out. Save us from our sins when we feel their weight pressing on our hearts. Remind us, O Lord, that crowds shouting "Hosanna" will soon be screaming "Crucify him." Save us we pray, O Lord, and do not let us be among them.

(Moment for silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear the good news! We worship a God who forgives us and remembers our sins no more. Proclaim the good news with me!

All: Hallelujah! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen.

The Response to Forgiveness

**Gloria Patri #620*

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: *The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ which passes all understanding be with you all.*

All: And also with you.

(Please turn to those around you and extend the hand of peace and friendship)

*HYMN OF RESPONSE All Glory, Laud and Honor # 234

The Word

SCRIPTURE Mark 11:1-11, Matthew 21:4

PRESENTATION Easter Symbols
RE Cindy Lanphear

The Response

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Eucharist

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**DOXOLOGY # 623*

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all people here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father; Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The Sending

*CLOSING HYMN Ride On, Ride On, O Savior King # 236

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE God Be With You #583

POSTLUDE

Congregational Care

Pat Farmer’s sister, Heber; Rosemary Harris and her helper Linda; Ethan, friend of Nebe; Alex Lanphear; Lee Franklin Laster & wife, Darlene; Emma Lollar; Douglas McKenzie; Jan Pennington; Terry Thomas, the Rev. Tracy Williams; those unable to attend church and those serving in the military, as missionaries and in works of mercy and relief around the world and their families.

Address for Emma Lollar:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:



SPRING POTLUCK – APRIL 7

Bring your favorite casserole or dessert!

The Leadership of the Church

SESSION serves as the governing council of the church.


Current members of the Session are:


Louan Pyron, Clerk
Cindy Lanphear, Treasurer

Class of 2024
Linda McDougal
Chris Lanphear

Class of 2025
Stephen Fyr
Ann Pfeifler

Class of 2026
Louan Pyron
Maribeth Laster

 **NOTES FROM TODAY'S LESSONS**



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Palm Sunday

March 24, 2024

Worship 10:00 a.m.