PALM SUNDAY
April 14, 2019
Preparation for Worship

Please prepare your heart for worship and silence your mobile devices.

Welcome to our celebration of Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. On this day, we celebrate Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem, fulfilling Zechariah’s prophecy of the coming King who brings salvation and peace. Yet as we rejoice and shout “Hosanna” together, it is important that we capture the irony of the day.

This is the moment Israel eagerly waited for, expecting a mighty military ruler, not a humble King riding a lowly donkey. This is the day on which Jesus entered the city in triumph, but as a part of His journey to the cross. This is the week in which the crowd’s cries of “Hosanna” would soon turn to “Crucify Him!” This is the beginning of the climax of God’s redemptive plan to save the world, not by conquering the world, but by dying for it.

As we enter into worship today, let us prepare our hearts by contemplating the glory of this King. The one who purposefully rode toward the cross, the one who saves those who hated Him and the one who redeems the world by dying for it.

The Liturgy of the Word

PRELUDE: “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” ............................................ J.S. Bach  
“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” ............................................. Chris Rise  
Samuel Metzger, organ and piano

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 24:7, 10 .......................................... Barton Kimbro

Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory!

♦PROCessional HYMN: “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” ..................... ST. THEODULPH

Words: Theodulph of Orleans; Music: Melchior Teschner; arr. Linker; John 12:13

Refrain

All glory, laud and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

1. Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David’s royal Son,
2. The company of angels are praising Thee on high,
3. The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;
4. To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
5. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

For our restoration, You rose.
For our treason, You died.
Forgive us for our zeal for making our names great,
Bless us, for our love for Thee is great.
Refrain

PROFESSION OF OUR FAITH .......................... The Apostles’ Creed

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE GIFTS OF GOD

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING .......................... Tim Russell

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SERMON

But the Word of our God will stand forever.

Mary Lawrence Flinn, accompanist
Samuel Johnson, soloist
Christy Young, director

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son,
This is the moment Israel eagerly waited for, expecting a mighty military dying for it. Jesus entered the city in triumph, but as a part of His journey to the cross one who saves those who hated Him and the one who redeems the world by prayer and praise and anthems before Thee we present. Who in all good delight est, Thou good and gracious King.

CHILDREN’S ANTHEM: “A Joyful Hosanna” ......................... Becki Mayo

Words and Music: Becki Mayo / Matthew 21:9

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest! Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the Lord.

Jesus rode through Jerusalem. The children came to welcome Him. Shouts of praise to the Lord lifted high, they all waved their branches to the sky.

Crowds of followers joined the throng to lift their voice in joyful song. Witnesses of miraculous things, they proclaimed him Lord and King of kings.

The Lord is passing by, O lift your branches high! O blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.


This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

DOXOLOGY ............................................................... LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Ride On, King Jesus” .......................... Moses Hogan

Words and Music: African American Spiritual / John 12

Ride on, King Jesus, ride on, the conquerin’ king
Oh, ride on, King Jesus, ride on. No man can a-hinder Thee.

I was but young when I begun. No man, hinder Thee. But now my race is almost done. No man, hinder Thee.

King Jesus rides a milk white horse. No man, hinder Thee. The river of Jordan He did cross. No man, hinder Thee.

He’s the King and the Lord. He’s the first and the last. He’s the Lord of Lords. Jesus is the Prince of Peace. No man, hinder Thee. Ride on, Jesus!

Samuel Johnson, soloist
The Chancel Choir
Calvin Ellis, director

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ........................................ TRURO

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hear all the tribes hosanna cry:
O Savior meek, pursue Your road
With palms and scattered garments strowed.
Call to Worship: Psalm 24:7, 10

1. Thou
2. The

This is the week in which the crowd's cries of "Hosanna" would soon turn to "Crucify Him!" This is the beginning of the climax of God's redemptive irony of the day.

Who is this King of glory?

All glory, laud and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King.

Jesus rode through Jerusalem. The children came to welcome Him.

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; our God, the King, through Pilate's hand He was tried to death.

Second Gospel Lesson

The Tears of Judgment

SERMON

The Tears of Judgment

George Robertson

The Liturgy of the Table

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

All those who have publicly professed their faith and joined a Christian church as a communing member are warmly welcomed to receive communion today. Non-communing worshipers are encouraged to contemplate the love of Jesus Christ during this time and pass by the elements.

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All communion wafers are gluten free.

For those in the balcony, please look to the ushers for direction. The side balconies will be served first, followed by the rear balcony from the back.
**PROFESSION OF OUR FAITH .............................. The Apostles' 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.

**GLORIA PATRI  .................................................. GREATOREX**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, Amen!

**CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O humble King of Glory,  
we confess that our praise of Your majesty  
has too often been fickle and faint.  
The zeal of the worshipping children long ago  
rebukes our apathy and indifference.  
Forgive us for our zeal for making our names great,  
which robs You of glory and honor.  
Pardon us for resisting Your kingship.  
For our treason, You died.  
For our restoration, You rose.  
Now transform us by the Holy Spirit  
so that we become Your loyal and devoted servants.  
We pray this in Your blessed name.

**INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON. .............................. John 3:16-17**

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son,  
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.  
For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,  
but in order that the world might be saved through him.

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**PRAYER OF CONSECRATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.
“Man of Sorrows! What a Name”.......................... Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Words and Music: Philip Bliss / Isaiah 53:3

Man of Sorrows! what a name for the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned He stood,
Sealed my pardon with His blood: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless, we; spotless Lamb of God was He;
Full atonement! can it be? Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die, “It is finished!” was His cry;
Now in heav’n exalted high: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King, all His ransomed home to bring,
Then anew this song we’ll sing: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy” .......................... RESTORATION

Words: Joseph Hart / Music: William Walker’s Southern Harmony / Matthew 9:13

Come ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and pow’r.

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms;
In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome, God’s free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance, ev’ry grace that brings you nigh.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall;
If you tarry till you’re better, you will never come at all.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requireth is to feel your need of Him.

Lo! th’incarnate God, ascended, pleads the merit of His blood;
Venture on Him, venture wholly, let no other trust intrude.

“Lord, Have Mercy” .......................................................... Steve Merkel

Words and Music: Steve Merkel / Psalm 57

Jesus I’ve forgotten the words that You have spoken,
Promises that burned within my heart have now grown dim.
With a doubting heart I follow the paths of earthly wisdom.
Forgive me for my unbelief; renew the fire again.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy on me.

I have built an altar where I’ve worshipped things of man,
I have taken journeys that have drawn me far from You.
Now I am returning to Your mercies ever flowing,
Pardon my transgressions, help me love You again.

I have longed to know You and all Your tender mercies,
Like a river of forgiveness, ever flowing without end.
So I bow my heart before You in the goodness of Your presence;
Your grace forever shining like a beacon in the night.

Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy on us!

Jauna Ellis, Christy Young, and Calvin Ellis, trio

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN OF COMMITMENT ......................................................... TRURO

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Behold, the King of glory waits;
The King of kings is drawing near, the Savior of the world is here.

BENEDICTION (Please lift hands)
The Tears of Judgment | George Robertson April 14, 2019

I. The Foolishness of Unbelief
   A. Asks for Judgment
   B. Ignores Coming

II. The Passion of God
   A. For Righteousness
   B. For People

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Holy Week & Easter Service Schedule

**Holy Week Lunches & Services:** April 15-18
Daily services at noon in the Sanctuary
Daily lunch: 11:00-11:45 a.m. & 12:30-1:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**Maundy Thursday Evening Service:** April 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

**Good Friday Service:** April 19 at Noon in the Sanctuary

**Easter Egg Hunt:** April 20 at 10:00 a.m. on the Poplar Field

**Easter Sunday:** April 21
**Sunrise Service:** 6:30 a.m. at Memphis Botanic Garden
**Morning Worship Services:** 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

*No Sunday School or Evening Service*

Visit 2pc.org/easter for nursery details — some services require nursery reservations.

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Easter Flower Form

I/we wish to contribute $__________ to the Flower Ministry of Second Presbyterian Church for use in decorating the church for Easter in memory or in honor of loved ones. Please acknowledge the gift (omitting the amount) in the bulletin on Sunday, April 21 as follows:

Please check ONLY one: ___ in Memory of ___ in Honor of ___ in Gratitude for

Given By: _______________________ Phone # of Donor: _______________

*Today, April 14, 2019, is the deadline for the inclusion of names in the bulletin.*

Please return this form with your check to Second Presbyterian, 4055 Poplar, Memphis, TN 38111, clearly designating the gift for “The Flower Ministry.”

*You may also submit your form online at 2pc.org/flowers*