

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Order of Worship
for March 28, 2021
Palm Sunday**

Gathering Music
Welcome & Announcements
Prelude –

Call to Worship

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus,
the author and perfecter of our faith,
who for the joy set before him endured the cross,
scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of God.
Let us consider him who endured such opposition from sinful people,
so that we will not grow weary and lose heart.
—from Hebrews 12:2-3, NIV

Call to Confession

Is not this the fast I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice;
to share your bread with the hungry;
to bring the homeless poor into your house;
to clothe the naked?
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly.
Having heard these promises, let us confess our sins.
—based on Isaiah 58:6-8, NRSV

Prayer of Confession

**Word of God Incarnate, you came to this world
to accomplish salvation.**

**By your grace you call us to repent, to be crucified with you,
that we might be raised as new creations.**

**But we confess that often we do not live as renewed people.
We confess that often we “go with the flow”
instead of stemming sin’s tide.**

**Forgive us when we do not show evidence of renewal.
Forgive us when we let the fruit of the Spirit
be choked by the weeds of evil.**

**You have made us your children, members of your kingdom.
Help us to show evidence of that every day
as we work to bring your justice, peace, gentleness,
goodness, love, joy, and hope to all we meet.
For Jesus’ sake, Amen.**

Silent Confession

(A time of silence will be observed for personal confession .)

Assurance of Pardon

Those who love me, I will deliver, says the Lord;
I will protect those who know my name.
When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and honor them
and show them my salvation.
Receive the good news of the gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
—based on Psalm 91:14-15, NRSV

**Fairest Lord Jesus,
Ruler of all nature,
O Thou of God to earth come down,
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.**

**Fair are the meadows,
Fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.**

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

***Hymn 89 Hosannah, Loud Hosannah**

**Hosanna, loud hosanna
The little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple
The joyful anthem rang;
To Jesus, who had blessed them,
Close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises,
The simplest and the best.**

**From Olivet they followed
Mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving,
and chanting clear and loud;
The Lord of earth and heaven
Rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children
Should on his bidding wait.**

**"Hosanna in the highest!"
That ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer,
The Lord of heaven, our King.
O may we ever praise Him
With heart and life and voice,
And in His blissful presence
Eternally rejoice.**

First Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 50:4-9a

50:4 The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens--wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

50:5 The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.

50:6 I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

50:7 The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

50:8 he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

50:9a It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Second Scripture Lesson

Mark 11:1-11

11:1 When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples

11:2 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.

11:3 If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'"

11:4 They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it,

11:5 some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?"

11:6 They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it.

11:7 Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it.

11:8 Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields.

11:9 Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

11:10 Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

11:11 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.

Sermon – God's Promises: Hosannah Rev. Jennifer A. Baer

***Hymn 88 All Glory Laud and Honor**

**Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor
To thee, Redeemer, King!
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.**

**Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest,
The King and Blessed One. [Refrain]**

**The people of the Hebrews
With palms before Thee went;
Our praise and prayers and anthems
Before Thee we present. [Refrain]**

**To Thee, before Thy passion,
They sang their hymns of praise;
To Thee, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise. [Refrain]**

**Thou didst accept their praises;
Accept the love we bring,
Who in all good delightest,
Thou good and gracious King! [Refrain]**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory –

*Doxology (Hymn 592)

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

*Sending Forth and Benediction

*Choral Response

God of Grace and God of Glory

**God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown thine ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.**

Postlude

Liturgist: Michael Williams

Soloist: Jessica Starcher

Head Deacons: Karen Sassaman and Linda Baines

Pastor: Rev. Jennifer A. Baer

Music Director: Pamela Carroll

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