

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY
APRIL 14, 2019
10:00 AM



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Fanfare

Noel Rawsthorne

†CALL TO WORSHIP

We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

**We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips;
we will travel through betrayal and death, cradling hope deep in our hearts.**

Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow, for he is the life we long for, he is the Word who sustains us.

**We wave palm branches in anticipation, we lay our love before him,
to cushion his walk.**

Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes: modeling humility and obedience for all of us.

Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God.

†HYMN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

**All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.**

**You are the King of Israel and David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming, the king and Blessed One.**

**The company of angels is praising you on high;
and we with all creation in chorus make reply.**

**The people of the Hebrews with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present.**

**To you before your passion they sang their hymns of praise,
to you now high exalted, our melody we raise.**

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

WELCOME

The service begins with the first note of the Opening Voluntary.

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

† When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit, as able.

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

Today we commence our Holy Week journey to Easter. We begin with Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. But before the week is through, those shouts from the crowds with change from "Hosanna!" to "Crucify him!" This service will move us from Palms to Passion (suffering) as we await shouts of a different kind on Easter morning.

ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR

The text dates from about 820 AD, and was written by Theodulph, the Bishop of Orleans in France under the emperor Charlemagne. The music was composed by Melchior Teschner, who was a musician of considerable ability and was greatly interested in enriching public worship. The tune first appeared in a small tract published in 1615, quickly became popular, and is found in many choral books and hymnals dating from the late 1600's.

CONFESSING OUR SIN

God of our salvation, we grasp our coveted, once-a-year, palm branches. We sing and shout, "Hosanna!" We proclaim in those moments that we want you to save us, but we're not always sure you understand what we mean. You have come to vanquish the status quo, but we have been comfortable in that life. You have come to turn the world upside down, but we're afraid you will shake things up more than we intended. You have come to draw us closer to your vision for creation, but, at times, we think you may be just a little too impassioned. We like the palm branches. We even like the hymns. But we just want to go home after the parade. Forgive our lack of vision. Forgive our lukewarm passion and inspire us to step off the curb and to start marching at your side.

(a time of silent, personal confession)

CHORAL PETITION HYMN 437 *You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!*

You are the Lord, giver of mercy! WAYFARING STRANGER
You are the Christ, giver of mercy!
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

†SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Grounded in grace, let us share the peace we have received from Christ with one another and with the world. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Charleton Allen

GOSPEL READING

Luke 19:28-40

Pew Bible, page 78(NT)

MUSICAL OFFERING

Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates
Psalm 24:7-10

William Mathias

GOSPEL READING

Luke 23:1-38

Pew Bible, page 83(NT)

SERMON

Witness

Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN 301

Let Us Build a House

TWO OAKS

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD'S CHURCH, COMMUNITY & WORLD

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

Mission Trip

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

CHORAL PETITION

Following a time for silent confession the congregation will join in a sung prayer of petition. *You are The Lord, Giver of Mercy* is an adaptation of the traditional *Kyrie eleison*. The plaintive setting derived from an Appalachian melody preserves a sense of humility and trust.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Because we have been forgiven in Christ, we can forgive one another. We demonstrate this by sharing Christ's peace with one another.

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

After each scripture reading the reader will say, "The Word of the Lord." All are invited to respond, "Thanks be to God."

COMMUNION

In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Morning by morning, creation's voices join in praising you...

...Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray together, saying,

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.

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory

When Jesus Wept

Gilbert Martin

Tune: William Billings (1748-1800)

Prayer of Dedication

†Hymn 198

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

ST. DROSTANE

†INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†BENEDICTION IN WORDS

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is not just for Presbyterians or church members. All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may receive the bread and cup in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.

All are invited to the Lord's Table to receive Communion, which is served by intinction today. Congregants proceed via the center aisle to receive the bread (both gluten-free and regular bread are available at the center station), which they then dip into the chalice of nonalcoholic grape juice. Worshipers return to their pews by the side aisles.

RIDE ON!

This triumphant hymn, played in a minor key, rather than the key in which it was written, sets the tone for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday on our way to Easter.

The Sixth Great End of the Church

The exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

The dove is in flight over the globe, carrying an olive branch, echoing Gen. 8:11: "And lo, in her mouth a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth." This represents the eighth day of creation, God's grace coming into the world, the reign of God proclaimed by Jesus Christ. The light rising behind the earth represents the dawning of God's kingdom.

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 14th

9:00 AM Church School
10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM Congregational Meeting
11:15 AM Diaconate
4:00 PM Handbells
5:00 PM Youth Choir
6:00 PM Youth Group

Monday, April 15th

6:30 PM re:loom
8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, April 16th

10:00 AM Presbyterian Women

Wednesday, April 17th

7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 18th

4:00 PM Farmer's Market
6:30 PM Maundy Thursday Dinner

Friday, April 19th

9:00 AM Church at Prayer
7:30 PM Good Friday Service
8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Saturday, April 20th

10:00 AM Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 21st

9:00 AM Easter Breads
10:00 AM Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

If you have a prayer concern, please complete a Prayer Request Card and place it in the offering plate. Please update the office of any changes in the condition of your loved ones.

Confirmation Class

Joel Price, father of Josh Price

Dot Shriver, sister-in-law of Janet & Dave Shriver

Anne Howland

Drew and Kim Tomberlin, on the death of Kim's Father

In the Nursing Home, Home Care, or Assisted Living:

Sharon Shenkman-North Decatur H.R.C., **Evelyn Wallace**-at home, **Clyde Wentz**-The Phoenix at Tucker, **Jane Wentz**-Autumn Leaves, **Sue & Bona Puckett**-The Phoenix at Tucker, **Barbara Mattheis**-Regency House, **Earl Meeks**-at home in hospice care.

WELCOME

We invite you to join St Andrews, a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), in ministry and in worship.

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Please note your presence in the registry of friendship so that members of our church family may welcome you.

Your presence is a joy for us.

Nursery Care is available in the Education Building, Room 107.

Maundy Thursday April 18, 6:30 PM

We will gather in Heffner Hall to worship, share a simple meal and remember the acts of Jesus during Holy Week through scripture, song and sharing the Lord's Supper.

Good Friday April 19, 7:30 PM

Through Scripture Reading and Song, The *Lessons and Carols of the Cross* will take us through the story of Jesus' betrayal, arrest, and crucifixion.

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 20, 10 AM

For toddlers-5th graders- Come to Heffner for Hall for crafts, stories and Egg Hunts divided by age. Bring your basket and join in the fun.

Easter Sunday April 21

Our Worship Service will be at 10:00 AM Join us as we celebrate the resurrection. Join us at 9:00 AM in Heffner Hall for a St. Andrews' tradition of fellowship, coffee, and pastries before the Easter Worship Service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting Today following worship, for the purpose of electing Pat Zrolka to fill an unexpired 2019 term as Deacon.

Easter Lily Dedications Today is the last day for Easter lily dedications. Slips are available in the pews. If you would like to dedicate a lily in honor or in memory of someone, place the completed form in the offering plate. Lilies are \$10 each.

Special Offering Today We will be participating with other Presbyterian congregations in the One Great Hour of Sharing (PC USA) special offering on April 14 to help alleviate hunger, poverty, and provide disaster assistance around the world.

re:loom will meet in the library on Monday, April 15th at 6:30 PM.

PW The Presbyterian Women will meet on Wednesday, April 16 at 10:00 AM in the Meeting Room. All of the women of St. Andrews are invited to attend.

Lenten Creation Care Consumerism, the theory that it is economically desirable to increasingly consume goods, is a mindset that costs our society more than the sticker price. As the demand for goods increases, humanity and Creation suffer from increased pollutant emissions, deforestation, land use changes, depletion of water and other natural resources, extinctions and excessive waste products. The Caring for Creation Team advocates for reducing materialistic possessions, increasing recycling, and repurposing goods.

CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Camille LeBron Powell, Pastor
John McCrosky, Director of Children and Youth Ministries
David Lukens, Director of Music
Edward Weaver, Associate Director of Music and Organist
Pat Baker, Director of Older Adult & Caregiver Ministries
Ann McKinney, Director, St. Andrews School
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