St. Andrews Presbyterian Church April 5, 2020 Palm and Passion Sunday

WELCOME

OPENING VOLUNTARY Festival Fanfare Noel Rawsthorne

CALL TO WORSHIP

On Palm Sunday so many years ago, the people saw Jesus and asked,

Who is this?

So in worship, we respond. In worship, we declare:

Jesus is the alpha and omega.

Jesus is our teacher and preacher.

Jesus is a miracle worker and healer.

Jesus is our source of love.

Jesus is our path in the wilderness.

So may we lay down our hearts like they laid down their coats.

Let us worship Holy 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!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, On Sunday the city of Jerusalem cheered for you. They laid down coats and palms for you. They shouted "Hosanna!" and called you king. But on Friday they abandoned you. On Friday they yelled "Crucify him!" On Friday, you were in the wilderness alone. God, we want to be Palm Sunday Christians, but we know all too well that we also are the Good Friday crowd. So today we ask for forgiveness. Forgive us for the moments when we deny you and your message of love. Forgive us for preventing the spread of the gospel. Forgive us our sins.

Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession

CHORAL PETITION You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy

WAYFARING STRANGER

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING THE PEACE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING Matthew 21:1-11

MUSICAL OFFERING

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

G. F. Handel

CHILDREN'S LESSON

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 27:11-54

SERMON

The Wilderness is a Place Where We are Brave Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

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

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Offertory Response

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

TALLIS' CANON

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

Prayer of Dedication

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

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

Hymn 198

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

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Ride on! ride on in majesty! Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry; Thy humble beast pursues its road with palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on! ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die; O Christ, thy triumphs now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on! ride on in majesty! The hosts of angels in the sky Look down with sad and wondering eyes to see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on! ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die; Bow thy meek head to mortal pain; then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Blest be the tie that binds, Our hearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds, Is like to that above.

LENTEN THEME AND LITURGY

This Lenten season we are following the theme, "Wilderness" from A Sanctified Art, LLC. A Sanctified Art believes God speaks to us through many mediums and that creativity is an integral part of worship. They create curriculum and worship resources, including the Lenten Devotionals found in the Narthex. The Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession, are adapted from liturgy written by Sarah Are of A Sanctified Art.