First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day Palm Sunday

April 10, 2022

In preparation for worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Words of Welcome Prelude "The Palms"

Jean Baptiste Faure

Call to Worship Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD.

* Hymn 196

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor" Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

* Lenten Response 656 "We've Come This Far by Faith"

We've come this far by faith, leaning on the Lord, trusting in the holy Word; God's never failed me yet. O, can't turn around, we've come this far by faith. We've come this far by faith.



PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination First Lesson: Luke 19:28-40 (NT p. 83)

Psalter: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (OT, p. 565)

A Time with Children



10:00 a.m.

from Psalm 118

Second Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9 (OT, p. 681) Sermon: "A Face Like Flint" Series: Lent in the Wilderness

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RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 198

"Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!"

* Affirmation of Faith

from A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.
With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Minute for One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Offertory "Hosani

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

arr. J. Wayne Kerr

Prayers of the People 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.



GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 216

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude

"Calvary"

arr. Richard Billingham

If you are leaving before the postlude is finished, please do so quietly.

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers have been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Betsey Cooper by her family.



Rev. Carter

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

PastorRev. William G. CarterCoordinator of Children
And Youth MinistriesJana SchillingerLiturgistJana SchillingerDirector of MusicFrank JonesOrganistKay Ten EyckUsherErika Adams

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Church Family Announcements

Thank you for joining us for Worship. We worship every Sunday in two ways!

- Join us in person at 10:00 am. Masks are optional.
- **Tune in online** for our weekly service, which is broadcast live on <u>our video page on</u> <u>YouTube</u> and archived for later viewing on the same site.



Join us this morning after church for a Palm Sunday celebration hosted by our Christian Education and Fellowship Committees. We will have a guided tour of the events leading up to the crucifixion and catch a glimpse of the empty tomb, the first sign that Jesus had risen. Enjoy lunch, crafts, and fellowship as we remember and reflect on Holy Week. Being held in Fellowship Hall, it is a program for all ages.



Come to the Easter Sunday Egg Hunt!

Kids of all Ages are welcome after church on Easter (April 17) for an Easter Egg Hunt in Fellowship Hall.



Our sanctuary is open for prayer whenever the building is open.

Please keep in prayer: Cheryl, Hank, Dustin, Tins, Patrick, Kseniia, and Emily, the Baruffaldi family, Addy, Janice.

Abington Ecumenical Ministerium / Dalton Food Pantry

The A.E.M. Food Pantry is located at the Dalton United Methodist Church, 125 S. Turnpike Rd., Dalton. It provides food to families in need in the Abington Heights and Lackawanna Trail School Districts. The Pantry is open on Monday evenings from 6-7:30 p.m. To have access to the food pantry, you must register your family. To start the process, contact the church at 570-563-1619 and leave a message. Someone will contact you.

Adult Education this week: Wednesdays at 6 p.m., Room 206 and ZOOM. Wednesday, April 13: **Holy Week as the Portal of Repentance.** What do we pray and sing during Holy Week? It's all about turning from destructive ways and turning back to God.

Get Connected with One Great Hour of Sharing

People who experience oppression, need, loss or lack, those are the people Jesus connected with, and they are the people we are invited to connect with today.

Between now and April 17, we will again be collecting for the PC USA's special offering, One Great Hour of Sharing. Around the world, millions of people lack access to things most of us take for granted: sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The three programs supported by the OGHS offering—Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People—all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

The theme for this year's offering is CONNECTION. Through our Church we connect with one another and celebrate the many ways God connects with us. During Lent, we especially celebrate that God connects with us through Jesus' resurrection and connects us with "those who have the least" through this special offering.

OGHS is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world, and the Mission & Justice Committee has set **a goal of \$5000 for our congregation.** Look for the special envelopes in the pews, simply write "OGHS" in the memo line of your check or direct your online contribution via the church website "for OGHS."

Meetings this week

Sunday, April 10	10 a.m. 11 a.m.	Worship Palm Sunday Celebration	Sanctuary Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, April 12	7 p.m.	Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Wednesday, April 13	10:30 a.m. 6 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	Prayer and Share The Way Adult Bible Study Adult Choir	Room 209 Room 206 Sanctuary
Thursday, April 14	7:30 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service Communion and Tenebrae	Sanctuary
Friday, April 15	12 – 1 p.m.	Good Friday Service	Sanctuary
Saturday, April 16	2 p.m.	Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Sunday, April 17 - Easter	10 a.m. 11 a.m.	Worship Easter Egg Hunt For All Children	Sanctuary Fellowship Hall

Looking Ahead:

Friday, April 22 Earth Day.

Mark the 52nd International Earth Day with a visit to <u>www.earthday.org</u> and get to know their website. Take a few minutes to read the article there on *The Recycling Problem: A Feel-Good Story That's Too Good to be True.* Or take one of their site's short but informative quizzes (about 10 multiple-choice questions) to see if you know as much as you think you do about *Climate Change, Clean Energy, Regenerative Agriculture, or Sustainable Fashion.*

Sunday, April 24

Following morning Worship, "Table Talk" returns to Fellowship Hall

• If everyone around the world lived like us, how many earths would we need? Join Meg Hatch and others from our Earth Care team to explore some easy and quick online apps to compute your personal carbon footprint, or that of your family. If you can't come, we invite you to do the online app at home sometime during the week. Then anonymously share your results on Sunday, May 1st by filling out an answer sheet and dropping it in the box in the narthex. We'll share our "us" average the following Sunday. Be honest!

Sunday, May 1 Holy Humor Sunday

We tried to take it off the calendar, but *it wouldn't go! So, come to church prepared to laugh, then . . . continue downstairs to Fellowship Hall for a Strawberry Short Cake Social!*