



First Presbyterian Church

"Serving Christ and Neighbor in the Heart of Winchester and Beyond."

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When this symbol (✦) precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

Ushers collect blue prayer card requests during the introit.

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Worship Leaders

The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith, Pastor/Head of Staff Richard Byess, Liturgist

The Holy Spirit Calls Us Together as People of God

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND A MOMENT FOR MISSION

PRELUDE

“All Glory Laud and Honor”

Michael Burkhardt

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Save us, we pray.

The crowds gathered to welcome their king with palm branches and shouts of praise.

We join their song, lifting our voices in joy and hope.

See, your king comes to you, humble and riding on a donkey.

He comes in the name of the Lord.

Come, let us worship the King!

✠ INTROIT

“Blessed Is He Who Comes” Chancel Choir and congregation

Lloyd Larson

All Glory, Loud, and Honor

v1 All glory, Laud, and honor to Thee Redeemer King.

To Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;

Our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present.

v2 Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal son,

Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One;

To Thee before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise

To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise!

✠ MUSIC FOR WORSHIP

“Hosanna”

New Stone Praise Band and congregation

Brenton Brown, Paul Baloche

Verse 1

Praise is rising

Eyes are turning to You

We turn to You

Hope is stirring

Hearts are yearning for You

We long for You

Pre-Chorus

'Cause when we see You

We find strength to face the day

In Your presence

All our fears are washed away

(Washed away)

Chorus

Hosanna hosanna

You are the God who saves us

Worthy of all our praises

Hosanna hosanna

Come have Your way among us

We welcome You here Lord Jesus

Verse 2

Hear the sound of

Hearts returning to You

We turn to You

In Your Kingdom

Broken lives are made new

You make us new

Repeat Pre-Chorus

Repeat Chorus

Repeat Pre-Chorus

Repeat Chorus 2x

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✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, we confess that we welcome you on our own terms. We cry out for salvation, yet we shape that salvation according to our desires. We ask you to act, but only in the ways we expect. When you move differently, we grow impatient. When you call us to trust, we hold back. When following you costs us something, we look for easier paths. We confess that we have praised you with our lips while resisting you with our lives. We have wanted a king who serves our purposes rather than one who transforms our hearts. Forgive us for the ways we have tried to remake you in our image. Teach us to follow you as you truly are, not as we wish you to be. Through Jesus Christ, who is faithful even when we are not.

Silence for personal confession

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

The one who was rejected did not turn away.

In Jesus Christ, God meets us with mercy and grace.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new.

The King who comes in the name of the Lord gives himself for us and restores us to life.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

✠ GLORIA PATRI [Hymn 581]

God Speaks to Us in Scripture, Preaching, and Song

INTERGENERATIONAL MOMENT

Afterward, Kindergarten and younger children may leave for Wee One's Worship in Room 108.

✠ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you!

Friends, you are encouraged to pass the peace.

PALM SUNDAY PRAISE "Ain't no Rock Gonna' Shout for Me" based on Luke 19:38-40 Larson

NEW TESTAMENT LESSONS Matthew 21:1-11 & Matthew 27:15-23

SERMON "Not That Kind of King"

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell. The third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

The People of God Respond in Faith

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

[...the petitions conclude...] And now as Christ taught us, we are bold to pray... 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.

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS AND TITHES

Friends, our giving is an act of gratitude for what God has given us. Just as we present our words in liturgy, song, and prayer to God, we present a portion of the fruit of our work to God.

OFFERTORY HYMN 518

"O Lamb of God"

New Stone Praise Band and congregation

LAMB OF GOD

✠ THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN 606, AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The People Depart to Serve

✠ HYMN 216

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

ST. CHRISTOPHER

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

"Christ, We Do All Adore Thee"

Dubois

POSTLUDE

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

Robert Hobby

Maundy Thursday | April 2nd

- 7:00 pm Sanctuary

Good Friday | April 3rd

- 12:00 pm – 1 pm Community Worship at Christ Episcopal Church, 140 W. Boscawen Street

Easter Sunday | April 5th

- 6:30 am Community Easter Sunrise Service at Mt. Hebron Cemetery
- 8:30 am Fellowship Hall
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Sanctuary

FPC Family Game Night | April 12th

Fun for all ages! Join us on Sunday 3:30-5:30pm (right before youth group) in Fellowship Hall. There will be a game swap table: bring a game in great condition that no longer serves you and pick up a new-to-you one! Questions?: kelly@fpcwinc.org

Easter Flower Dedications Due Today!

Order flowers to help decorate the church for Easter Sunday, celebrate with us, and honor a loved one or friend by dedicating flowers in their name. Paper order forms are available in common areas, or you can complete a digital form at fpcwinc.org.

Women's Faith Study

We'll begin discussing the book *Original Blessing: Putting Sin in its Rightful Place*, by Danielle Shroyer, on Wednesday, April 8. We welcome all women to come, whether or not you have acquired the book. We meet on Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:00 in the Graham Room. This coming Wednesday, April 1, we will finish our discussion of Brené Brown's *Atlas of the Heart*, and again, please come whether you have read the book or not.