

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ

Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 25, 2018 | 10 AM | Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer & Contemplation

'Kings don't demand *belief* or *faith*. You don't *believe* in kings. No, you *obey* kings. You give a king *allegiance*. So when the kingdom comes the proper response is *behavioral*, a reconfiguration of loyalties. A new apocalyptic reality has been revealed and we are called upon *to readjust our lives* to this new reality.' -Richard Beck

Welcome & Sharing Information

Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude "Processional" - Wiltse - *Tyler Bell Choir*

Call to Worship

One: Christ the Lord is King

All: who healed the lame, and gave sight to the blind

One: Christ the Lord is King

All: who welcomed the outcast, and was a friend to sinners

One: Christ the Lord is King

All: who demanded justice, and brought peace

One: Christ the Lord is King

All: who was nailed to the cross, and conquered it with love

One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

All: Let us worship God.

***Hymn No. 197** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that our faith is weak. We proclaim our faith with our words, but not our actions. We ignore your commands of love and justice. We forget your children who are poor, mistreated, or in prison. We refuse to offer grace to our neighbors.

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We put our trust in your mercy, remembering your Son who shows us the way. Forgive us, Lord, and shape us in the image of your Son, whose victory brings our freedom and your reign.

Moment of Silence

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Hymn No. 581** "Glory Be to the Father"

"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen."

Passing of Peace

Anthem "Holy Holy Hosanna" - Helman - *Tyler Bell Choir*

Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there.

Children: God be with you here.

Scripture

First Reading: Psalm 118 OT 565-6 LP 694-6

Second Reading: Mark 1:1-11 NT 34-5 LP 42

Sermon "Parades" -Rev. Drew Harrison

Minute for Mission *Betsy Wriggins*
Deacon's Fund for I&O/Mission Trip

Invitation to Offering

Offertory "A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar" - arr. Howarth

***Doxology No. 606**

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

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

Lord, we give you thanks for all your gifts. Accept these gifts, and teach us to be as generous as you are with what we have.

The Prayers of the People

Please contact the church office for a copy of the prayer list.

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.

***Hymn No. 201** "A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar"

Benediction

Benediction Hymn No. 546

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

"Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness."

Postlude "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" - arr. Sims

***** ***Please stand as you are able.*** *****

Please be advised that our worship service is filmed from the balcony. Though the camera's focus is primarily on the chancel, there are wide shots that may include parts of the congregation sitting near the front.



All are invited and welcomed to join us for Coffee Hour in the Social Hall following worship service for fellowship.



Happy Birthday to...	
March 25	Jennifer Russell
March 26	Stephanie Lai
March 27	Pastor Drew Harrison
March 31	Meri Reed
March 31	John Gallo
April 1	Harry Salotti
April 1	Maggie Carson

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"God's Open House"

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Thank you to our Worship Servers	
Liturgist	Jennifer Russell
Greeter	Judy Reed
Ushers	Ron Griffith, Bobbie Griffith, Darlene Powell, Cathy Russo
Tellers	Dan Enright, Liz DeGori, Darlene Powell



Sanctuary Flowers

Today's flowers are provided by the Downings in honor of their grandchildren.



Music Notes

Today's prelude was chosen especially for Palm Sunday and was written by Carl Wiltse, a prolific composer of music for handbells. The offertory is Mary Howarth's 2013 setting of a hymn tune by Robert Lowry. The postlude is David Sims' 2017 setting of the hymn tune "Ellacombe," an 18th century German melody. We thank the Tyler Bell Choir for sharing special music with us this morning.

This Week's Calendar | March 25-April 1

Sunday March 25	Palm Sunday Easter Flowers Due 10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers 5 PM Jazz Vespers (Christopher Davis-Shannon Trio/Habitat for Humanity) - Sanctuary/Social Hall
Monday March 26	6:15 PM Liturgical Music Meeting - Upstairs Kitchen 7 PM Worship Committee Meeting - Upstairs Kitchen
Tuesday March 27	7:15 PM Stephen Ministry - Upstairs Kitchen
Wednesday March 28	8 AM Board of Trustees Meeting - Upstairs Kitchen
Thursday March 29	Maundy Thursday 9 AM Weekday Preschool Easter Party - Social Hall 7 PM Maundy Thursday Communion Service/Foot Washing - Sanctuary
Friday March 30	Good Friday Church Office Half Day 3 PM Virtual Easter Prayer Vigil Begins (continues until 6:30 AM Easter Sunday)
Saturday March 31	
Sunday April 1	Easter Sunday 6:30 AM Sunrise Service - Alcyon Park Pavilion 10 AM Easter Worship Service - Sanctuary *No Sunshine Singers Practice Today



Sunday Worship Service @ 10 AM

- ✚ Communion on the first Sunday of the month
- ✚ Sunday School each week from 10:20-11:05 AM