

## Welcome & Opening Prayer

**Prelude** "Hosanna in the Highest!" - arr. Wagner  
Tyler Bell Choir

## Call to Worship (*Psalm 118: 19-26*)

One: Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may enter through them  
and give thanks to the Lord.

**All: This is the gate of the Lord;  
the righteous shall enter through it.**

One: I thank you that you have answered me  
and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.

**All: This is the Lord's doing;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

**All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

One: Hosanna, O Lord, save us!

**All: O Lord, save us, Hosanna!**

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

**All: We bless you from the house of the Lord.**

**Processional:** "Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord" (Cameroon Processional)  
Sunshine Singers and Sanctuary Choir

**Reading 1:** *Matthew 21: 1-11*

\***Hymn No. 196** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

**Reading 2:** *John 13: 1-11*

\***Hymn No. 202** "An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare"

**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.**

**Reading 3:** *John 13: 31-38*

## Invitation to Offering

**Offertory Bell Ensemble:** "Near the Cross" - arr. Lamb  
Handbell Ensemble

## \***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

**Gracious God, your gifts are more than we deserve. We give you  
our thanks as we offer up our gifts. Accept them, bless them, and  
let them serve your kingdom as we do. Amen.**

## Invitation to Communion

### **Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also, with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise to God.**

Pastor: It is right and a good and joyful thing therefore, we cry to you:

**All: Hosanna! Lord, save us! Blessed is the one who comes in  
the name of the Lord.**

### **The Prayers of the People**

*Maureen St. John, Roxanne Somers, Terri D'Onofrio, The Family of Mike  
Savage, Terry Savage, Harry, Guy Williams, Peggy Price, Darlene Powell, Julia  
Fisher, The Family of David Knoebel, Marcia Langlois, Meg Yanefski, The  
Family of Joe Bradley, Rev. Paul Grenier, Ryan McCleery, The Family of Susan  
Hans, Ellorah Maeve, Erin Fitzpatrick, The Family of John Clayton, Caroline,  
David, Lauren, Vinny, and Sovana, Jamie, Hayden, Cindy Sudano, Sue Hummel*

### **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.**

**Words of Institution** *Rev. Drew Harrison*

### **The Sharing of the Supper**

**Communion Hymn:** #603 "Lamb of God"

### **Prayer after Communion**

**Thank you, Lord, for nourishing us with your body and blood. As we  
hear the passion story, draw us into your passion, uniting us as one  
body living to love one another as you love us.**

**Anthem:** "The Night Before the Savior Died" - Larson Sanctuary Choir

**Reading 4:** *Matthew 26: 69-75*

**Anthem:** "Were You There?" - arr. Luttrell and Sherman Tyler Bell Choir

### **Reading 5: The Passion of God: From Hymn #228**

(The following sections in **bolded italics** are for the congregation to sing.)

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters,  
and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a  
scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it  
on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and  
mocked him, saying, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' They spat on him, and took

the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped  
him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away  
to crucify him.

***Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (Were you there?)***

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***O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.***

***Were you there when they crucified my Lord?(Were you there?)***

As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon;  
they compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a  
place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him  
wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not  
drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes  
among themselves by casting lots; then they sat down there and kept  
watch over him. Over his head they put the charge against him, which  
read, 'This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.'

***Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (Were you there?)***

***Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? (Were you there?)***

***O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you  
there when they nailed him to the tree? (Were you there?)***

From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the  
afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, 'Eli,  
Eli, lema sabachthani?' that is, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken  
me?' When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'This man is  
calling for Elijah.' At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it  
with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the  
others said, 'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.' Then  
Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that  
moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.  
The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened,  
and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After  
his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city  
and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him,  
who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took  
place, they were terrified and said, 'Truly this man was God's Son!'

***Were you there when the sun refused to shine? (Were you there?)***

***Were you there when the sun refused to shine? (Were you there?)***

***O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.***

***Were you there when the sun refused to shine?(Were you there?)***

Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had  
followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him. Among them  
were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and  
the mother of the sons of Zebedee. When it was evening, there came a  
rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of  
Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate  
ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped  
it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had

hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said, 'Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, "After three days I will rise again." Therefore command that the tomb be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, "He has been raised from the dead", and the last deception would be worse than the first.' Pilate said to them, 'You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can.' So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

*Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? (Were you there?)  
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O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?(Were you there?)*

**Reading 6:** *Matthew 16: 13-19*

**Closing Prayer Benediction:** John 3: 16  
For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

**Closing Hymn No. 227** "Jesus Remember Me," (sung 3 times)  
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.  
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\*\*\*\*\* *Please stand as you are able.* \*\*\*\*\*



<b><i>This Week's Calendar</i></b> <b>April 2 – April 9</b>	
<i>Sunday</i> <b>April 2</b>	10 AM Worship Service Sanctuary/Livestreaming, Sunshine Singers 11:15am, Deacon's Meeting 11:15am in the Social Hall
<i>Monday</i> <b>April 3</b>	Boy Scouts Social Hall 7pm, Session 7pm
<i>Tuesday</i> <b>April 4</b>	Girl Scouts – Social Hall 6:30pm
<i>Wednesday</i> <b>April 5</b>	Sparrow Chorale – Music Room, 6:30pm
<i>Thursday</i> <b>April 6</b>	Joy Circle 10am, Bell Choir 7pm, Maundy Service at Grenloch Presbyterian 7:30pm, Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 8pm
<i>Friday</i> <b>April 7</b>	Good Friday
<i>Saturday</i> <b>April 8</b>	I's Okay To Play! Egg Hunt 10am on church lawn
<i>Sunday</i> <b>April 9</b>	6:30am Sunrise Service Alcyon Park, 10 AM Easter Sunday Worship Service Sanctuary/Livestreaming, Sunshine Singers 11:15am



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**Music Notes**

We thank our readers for sharing the lessons; we thank the Sunshine Singers, Tyler Bell Choir, Sanctuary Choir and Bell Ensemble for sharing special music with us this morning.



<b><i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i></b>	
<b>Ushers</b>	Vicki & Jeff Downing
<b>Acolyte</b>	Jane Harrison

<b><i>This Week's Birthday</i></b>	
<b>April 1</b>	Harry Salotti & Maggie Carson



10 AM Worship Service  
April 2nd, 2023  
Rev. Drew Harrison