

A graphic illustration on a light beige background. At the top center is a dark green cross with several short, radiating lines above it, suggesting light or a halo. Below the cross are two olive branches, one on the left and one on the right, with detailed green leaves. Below the branches, the word "Hosanna" is written in a dark green, elegant, cursive script.

**April 10, 2022**  
**Palm Sunday**

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Good Christian Friends Rejoice and Sing</i>	Healey Willan
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Antiphonal Hosanna G. Alan Smith

**Refrain** *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. **Refrain***

*To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;  
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. Refrain*

The words of this hymn are among the most historic in our hymnal, as they date to 820 CE.

Confession on  
Palm Sunday  
acknowledges the  
glory of the  
Triumphal Entry  
and the weakness  
of our faith.

This psalm has two  
main emphases:  
thanksgiving for  
God's deliverance,  
and the vow to  
offer praise in  
worship.  
The psalm seems  
to have been taken  
up by adults and  
children in  
Jerusalem to  
welcome Jesus  
when he entered  
the city in the last  
week of his life.

*We Rise in Spirit and in Body*

### **Call to Worship**

Hosanna in the highest!

**Hosanna! The voices rang out, as Jesus entered the city.**

Hosanna to the Son of David.

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!**

From the Mount of Olives, and through the Eastern Gate,

**All the way to the temple, Jesus came.**

People spread their garments, and others cut branches, to line the streets.

**Save us! Save us now, the people shouted.**

Save us! Save us now!

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!**

### **Call to Confession**

#### **Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

**Loving God, we greet you today as the crowds once greeted Jesus. Hear us, as we call on you. Save us from all harm. Connect us to the marvelous story of Palm Sunday. You are our king, who comes humbly. You are the stone, once rejected, who has become the cornerstone of our lives. You have come, and you will come again, to rescue a disobedient people.**

**Forgive us. Help us reshape our lives. Keep us from mistaking Jesus' humility for defeat, and his servanthood for weakness.**

**Help us to follow Jesus to his Easter triumph, in obedience and love.**

*A Silence is observed for Personal Confession*

### **Declaration of Good News**

### **We Share a Sign of Peace**

*Be seated*

### **Time with Young Disciples**

## *Hearing the Word*

### **Prayer for Illumination**

#### **Psalm Reading (Responsive)**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-25

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

**Let Israel say, 'His steadfast love endures forever.' The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.**

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: 'The right hand of the Lord does valiantly; **The right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.'**

**I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.**

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

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

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

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

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

**This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Hosanna, Lord, save us! **O Lord, we beseech you!**

Rejoicing on Palm Sunday includes all creation; even the stones would shout praise.

A Brief Statement of Faith (1991) is the most recently written of twelve faith statements included in the constitution of the Presbyterian Church (USA).

All Stand

Gospel Reading

Luke 19: 28-40

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, “Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’” So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” They said, “The Lord needs it.” Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!” Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

Sermon

Palm Sunday Rock Concert

Matthew Covington

Responding to the Word

Hymn 197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

All Verses

*Hosanna, loud hosanna the little children sang;  
through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,  
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.*

*From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd,  
the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.  
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,  
nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.*

*"Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing,  
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King.  
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,  
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.*

All stand

Affirmation of Faith

From: A Brief Statement of Faith

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.**

This is the song  
of someone  
watching the  
triumphal entry.

*All Sit*

**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.

**Offering**

**Offertory**

*Fanfare*

Alexandre Guilmant

**Doxology**

**Prayer of Dedication**

***Bearing and Following the Word into the Created World***

**Closing Hymn 198**

*Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!*

ST. DROSTANE

*All Verses*

*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.*

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Fantasia in G minor*

J. S. Bach

*Grave*

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**COLLEGIATE ENSEMBLE:** Autumn Stolle, soprano; Lacy Magre, alto; Darcy Merriman, tenor; Chris Muller, bass, Jeremiah Simpson, bass

**LECTIONARY FOR EASTER SUNDAY, April 17:** Acts 10:34–43 or Isaiah 65:17–25; Psalm 118:1–2, 14–24; 1 Corinthians 15:19–26 or Acts 10:34–43; John 20:1–18 or Luke 24:1–12.

**DEACON OF THE WEEK** this week is Kim Ferguson. Deacons assist the Pastor in caring for our congregation. You may contact them through the church office: 270-843-4707.

**PRAYERGRAM** notes are available in the pews. If you wish to send one, fill out and leave in the offering plate. They will be collected by the Deacons for distribution.

#### **TODAY:**

**FIRST NEW MEMBER RECEPTION SINCE COVID** Join everyone on the landing after worship this morning to welcome new members. Don't miss this fellowship opportunity and the chance to greet new friends.

**HAVE YOU MADE YOUR DOVE YET?** You will find doves, scissors, and coloring materials in the 10<sup>th</sup> Street lobby. Make several! Please cut out a dove, write or draw a prayer and leave in the basket. We will hang these 'prayer doves' as a reminder of the prayers and our need to pray for our world.

**NURSERY CARE** is available on Sunday mornings. 9-10:15 for children up to 3; from 10:15 to end of worship up to age 4 (pre-K). Please note **masks continue to be required by all in the Children's Center** (if over 2). We welcome Alisia Moseley who is returning to help care for our youngest members!

**COFFEE AND CONVERSATION CLASS** is currently reading and discussing Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life. Join in! 9:00am in room 202.

#### **Calendar**

##### **Sunday, April 10**

8:30 a.m.	Fellowship
9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
10:00 a.m.	Children's Music
10:30 a.m.	Worship
11:30 a.m.	New Member Reception
12:00 p.m.	Christian Ed. Ministry
5:00 p.m.	Youth Group

##### **Monday, April 11**

9:00 a.m.	GOD/DOG is Love
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##### **Tuesday, April 12**

9:30 a.m.	Chair Yoga
11:00 a.m.	Special Care
7:00 p.m.	Sunny 16 Camera Club

##### **Wednesday, April 13**

7:00 a.m.	Breakfast Group (Teresa's)
4:00 p.m.	Lenten Study – F. Hall
5:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir

##### **Thursday, April 14**

7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thurs. Worship
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##### **Friday, April 15**

7:30 a.m.	Mens' Breakfast (Lisa's)
12:00 p.m.	Good Friday Worship

##### **Saturday, April 16**

10:30 a.m.	Egg Hunt
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**HOLY WEEK:**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY IS APRIL 14<sup>th</sup>** Please join us in the Sanctuary for our Maundy Thursday service, which begins at 7:00pm.

**GOOD FRIDAY** Please join us for a Good Friday worship service in our Sanctuary on Friday, April 15th at 12:00 noon.

**EASTER EGG HUNT:** Saturday April 16, 10:30am at the Franklin Farm (1740 Greenview Lane). All children up to 5th grade welcome! Separate hunting areas for Preschool and Elementary. Cake walk, face painting, games, crafts and more! Invite your friends with children/grandchildren to join us! Rainy weather will move us to the church.

**BREAKFAST ON EASTER MORNING** Sunday April 17, 8:00-10:00am. Come during that time and enjoy delicious breakfast and fellowship. By donation. Sunday School WILL MEET that morning, so plan to come early and get to class at 9:00am.

**OUR EASTER MORNING SCHEDULE:**

- 6:00am- Sunrise Service (at Rob Byrd's, 1310 New Cut Rd.)
- 7:30am- The Son Has Risen service (in the courtyard, weather permitting)
- 8:00am- Breakfast ('til 10am)
- 9:00am- Sunday School
- 10:30am- Worship (also livestreamed)
- 11:30am- Confirmation Reception
- All are welcome- please join us this Easter Sunday!**

**DESSERT FIRST!** Sunday April 17 following 10:30am worship we will have a reception in Fellowship Hall for our Confirmation Class! Please come greet our newest young members and enjoy some cake and punch!

**COMING UP:**

**CIRCLES** CIRCLE 9 will meet on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm in Fellowship Hall. Bring a sandwich. CIRCLE 6 will meet at the home of Betty Jo Beard on Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. SUNDAY CIRCLE will meet on April 24<sup>th</sup>, and the May meeting will be on May 15th. Please note the change from the usual schedule.

**THE PRESBYTERIAN POST-PANDEMIC POTLUCK PICNIC** is coming WEDNESDAY APRIL 20, 5:30pm at Covington Woods Park (shelter #1). Everyone is invited - please bring a side dish/salad or dessert. Drinks and main dish provided. You might also bring your lawn chairs.

**YOUTH SUNDAY** Our Youth Sunday Service will be on May 22nd this year. We try to use this as a time to honour our seniors and all students graduating this year. If you have a youth or college student graduating this year please reach out to David Clarke and let him know.

**OTHER NEWS:**

**GOODIES STILL NEEDED!** Our Easter Egg Hunt is April 16 - we need individually wrapped candy. Please bring to the office by April 10. We also need individual (wrapped) baked goods for our cake walk - those should be brought April 14-15 only.

**LAY READERS** A signup has been created online for upcoming lay readers. If you are willing to serve on one Sunday, please visit this link and sign up for a date. Lay reader information will be emailed on the Friday prior to the date.  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e49acac23a7ff2-layreader>

**NEW DIRECTORIES** are available at the 10<sup>th</sup> Street lobby or the narthex. Please take one for your family. You may also call the office to request a digital copy to be emailed to you.

**SEE THE NEW ART EXHIBIT** —“Mixed Media Joy”— in the gallery of fellowship hall. Holly Oglesbee, a local artist who works in mixed media is displaying 25 prints for your enjoyment from April 8 to June 2. To purchase a print, contact the artist: [holly.oglesbee@wku.edu](mailto:holly.oglesbee@wku.edu)

**DONATIONS FOR RELIEF IN UKRAINE** may be sent to: PCUSA, P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburg, PA 15264-3700. Designate your gift to DR000156 or text PDAUKR to 41444. Next Sunday's One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will also be applied to this important humanitarian cause.