



Holy Week

Join us for Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday Service: March 28 at 6pm

Pot-Luck and Communion in the library

Good Friday Service: March 29 at noon in the sanctuary

Easter Worship: March 31

The Christian Education and Membership Committees will be hosting



OHPC's Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

March 30, 2024 @10:00-11:30am



OHPC Easter Breakfast

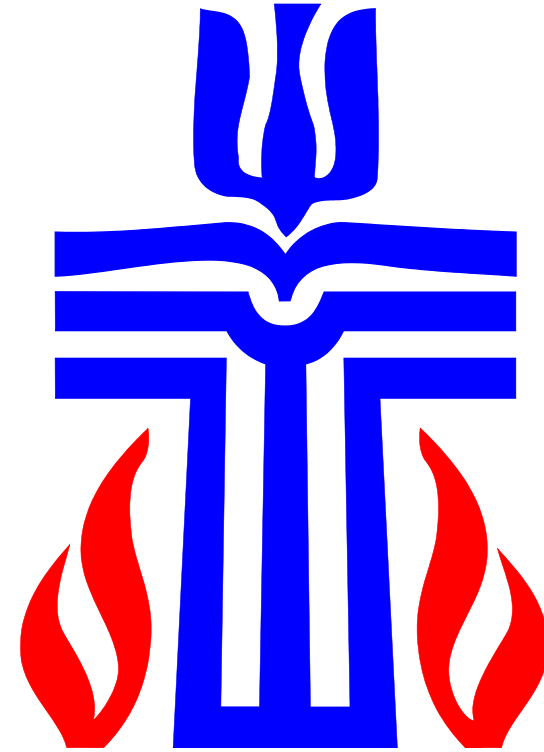
**Sunday, March 31@ 9:15-10:00 a.m.
in our Fellowship Hall.**

Members who are bringing breakfast casseroles or other items for breakfast, please notify

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Liturgist Ken Maynard
Greeters..... Nancy Wilson
Ron Wilson
Elders-in-Charge..... Nancy Redd
Terri Slonaker
Live Stream Operator..... Chris Huntley

The flowers in the sanctuary were donated by Mayra & Armando Lopez In honor of their 19th Wedding Anniversary



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MARCH 24, 2024
PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

Greeting: The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Out of the Depths* Felix Mendelssohn

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Who is this unlikely king?

All: Hosanna! His name is Jesus!

One: Why does he ride into the city?

All: Hosanna! He comes to save us!

One: Let us wave our palms, throw down our cloaks,

All: and follow Christ toward the cross.

*HYMN #196 *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Hosanna, we pray. Save us, Lord.

All: Save us from ourselves, when we trip over pride, doubt, or fear.

One: Save us from the systems that keep us bound, when we cannot see the way out.

All: Save us from our sins, when we feel their weight pressing on our hearts.

(Time for personal prayer of confession)

One: Remind us, O Lord, that crowds shouting "Hosanna" would soon be screaming "Crucify him."

All: Save us we pray, O Lord, and do not let us be among them.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Listen, the time has come at last. Look, now is the day of salvation!
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God.

*CHORAL RESPONSE: HYMN #551 *Lord, Have Mercy*

Lord have mercy,

Christ have mercy,

Lord have mercy upon us. (2x)

TIME WITH CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

One: Gracious God, our way in the wilderness, guide us by your Word through these forty days, and minister to us with your Holy Spirit, so that we may be reformed, restored, and renewed; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29

ANTHEM

Ride on, Ride on, In Majesty

W. Glen Darst

GOSPEL

John 12:12-16

SERMON

A Return to Exuberance

Rev. Rachael Huntley

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY HYMN #708: *We Give Thee but Thine Own, v. 1*

We give thee but thine own,

what e'er the gift may be;

all that we have is thine alone,

a trust, O Lord, from thee. Amen.

*HYMN #197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE HYMN # 741 *Guide My Feet vs. 1*

Guide my feet while I run this race (3x)

For I don't want to run this race in vain!

POSTLUDE

Postlude on 'St. Drostane'

Edward Broughton

All Glory, Laud, and Honor 196

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re-deem-er, King,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho-san-nas ring!

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
3 To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
4 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

to Refrain
who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One.
our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King!

These stanzas for Palm Sunday have been selected and translated from a much longer Latin poem written by a bishop who was the leading theologian in Charlemagne's court. They are sung to a 17th-century German chorale, as adapted for these words in the mid-19th century.

197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed 'mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the joy - ful an - them rang,
the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud;
for Christ is our Re - deem - er; the Lord of heaven, our King.

To Je - sus, who had blessed them, close fold - ed to his breast,
the Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,
O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.
and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

The opening two stanzas narrate the first Palm Sunday in the past tense, but the third stanza shifts to the present tense to emphasize what current singers do and believe. The repeated elements in this anonymous German tune suggest the repetitive patterns in a crowd's chant.