



WELCOME

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

CHIMING THE HOUR/TIME OF CENTERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

When Jesus came 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, '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. Now as he was 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."

*PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Gracious God, as we enter this Holy Week, strengthen us to move beyond the festive parade of palms and to follow Jesus into the way of the cross, that united with him and all the faithful, we may one day enter through the gates of righteousness into the eternal city, the New Jerusalem, where we may praise you with Christ and the Spirit forever. Amen.

*HYMN & PROCESSION OF THE PALMS

All Glory, Laud, and Honor | No. 196

We invite you, as you feel led, to bring one of your palm fronds forward and lay it at the feet of the cross on the chancel.

REFRAIN:

All glory, laud, and honor
to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring!

Thou art the King of Israel,
thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest,
the King and blessed One.

[REFRAIN]

The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayers 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]

Thou didst accept their praises;
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious King!

[REFRAIN]

All Glory, Laud, and Honor
TEXT: Brian Wren, 1991
MUSIC: Robert Lowry, 1869, alt.
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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of heaven and earth, we give you thanks for sending Jesus Christ in your name. Even though we profess to follow him, we confess that in times of trial we too often deny him. Forgive us and heal us, we pray. Help us to put our faith not in the princes of this world but only in the Prince of Peace. Amen.

(A time for silent confession)

KYRIE

Wait for the Lord | No. 90

Wait for the LORD, whose day is near.
Wait for the LORD; be strong; take heart!

POURING OF THE WATER *Because of the grace we receive in baptism, we have nothing to fear.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

It is the Lord who helps us; who will declare us guilty? Believe the good news of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. And also with you.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son;
praise to God the Spirit;
praise to the Three-in-One.

Praise to God the Father | No. 605
Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high.
Praise to God Almighty;
praise to the Holy One.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Praise to God the Father
TEXT: Anon. MUSIC: Ghanain melody.
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SPECIAL MUSIC

Ain't No Rock Gonna' Shout for Me | Grace Choir
Words by J. Paul Williams Music by Lloyd Larson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 50:4-9a

*HYMN

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you,
full of pity, love, and power.

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy | No. 415
every grace that brings you nigh.

[REFRAIN]

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
lost and ruined by the fall;
if you tarry till you're better,
you will never come at all.

[REFRAIN]

Let not conscience make you linger,
nor of fitness fondly dream;
all the fitness he requireth
is to feel your need of him.

[REFRAIN]

REFRAIN:

I will arise and go to Jesus;
he will embrace me in his arms.
In the arms of my dear Savior,
O there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye thirsty, come,
and welcome;

God's free bounty glorify,
true belief and true repentance,

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy
TEXT: Samuel Crossman, 1664 MUSIC: John Ireland, 1918
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SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 53:1-9

SERMON

"Nothing" | Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *The Theological Declaration of Barmen*

The Church's commission, upon which its freedom is founded, consists in delivering the message of the free grace of God to all people in Christ's stead, and therefore in the ministry of God's own Word and work through sermon and Sacrament. We reject the false doctrine, as though the church in human arrogance could place the Word and work of the Lord in the service of any arbitrarily chosen desires, purposes and plans. This confession declares that we see in the acknowledgement of these truths and in the rejection of these errors the indispensable theological basis of our communion. It invites all who are able to accept this declaration to be mindful of these theological principles in their decisions in church politics. We entreat all whom it concerns to return to the unity of faith, love, and hope. Amen.

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Glory to God | pg. 35

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.

BLESSING OF THE EASTER BASKETS

CALL TO GIVE

OFFERING & OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (OLD HUNDREDTH) | No.606*
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy One, we give you thanks for the great deeds of salvation that you have done and continue to do. Bless these offerings that they may further your kingdom in this world. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross | No. 223

When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?
Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
TEXT: American Folk hymn, c. 1811
MUSIC: , 1835
ONE License No. A-740435 Walker's Southern Harmony

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Remember you are a child of God:
And God loves God's children.

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Event & Celebrations

SUN 13	MON 14	TUE 15	SUN 06
<p>PALM SUNDAY</p> <p>Sunday Worship, 10:00AM</p> <p>Fellowship, 11:15AM</p> <p>NA of EP, 3:00PM</p>	<p>BIRTHDAYS</p> <p>Danielle Hard</p> <p>Kuiper DeJongh</p>	<p>GraceB4Work, 7:00AM</p> <p>BIRTHDAY</p> <p>Vicki Wilson</p>	<p>EASTER SUNDAY</p> <p>Sunrise Worship, 6:30AM</p> <p>Easter Morning</p> <p>Brunch, 9:00AM</p> <p>Easter Worship, 10:00AM</p> <p>Easter Egg Hunt & Fellowship, 11:15AM</p> <p>NA of EP, 3:00PM</p>
THU 17	FRI 18	SAT 19	
<p>MAUNDY THURSDAY</p> <p>Supper, Communion & Tenebrae Worship, 6:00PM</p>	<p>GOOD FRIDAY</p> <p>BIRTHDAY—Elara DeJongh</p>	<p>NorthEaster Parade, 10:00AM</p> <p>BIRTHDAY—Pat Jones</p>	

Prayers & Concerns

Bob Hedicke	Pete McMillan	Russell Wiggs	Billy Beard
Mary Province	Iris Ann Patrick		Mildred Helm

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TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor — Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith
 Music Director — Brittney Williams
 Additional Accompaniment — Bill Rose

Liturgist — Kelly Hernandez
 Accompanist/Pianist — Patricia Provencio
 Technology — Bob Jones & Jim Collins

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