

PALM SUNDAY April 13, 2014, 8:15 a.m.



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship.

Please silence your mobile devices.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

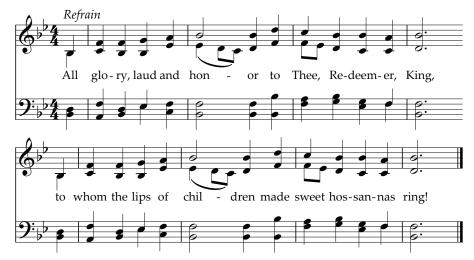
You are invited to pray the following prayer as you prepare for worship.

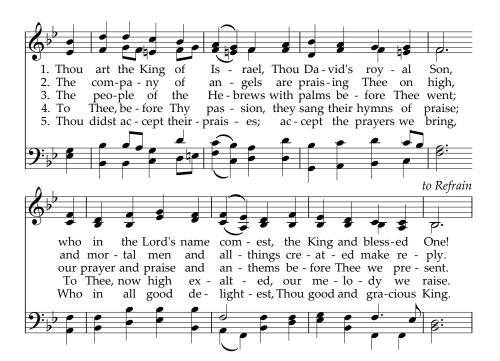
O Lord Jesus Christ, who on this day did enter the rebellious city where You were to die: Enter into our hearts and subdue them wholly to Yourself. And as Your faithful disciples welcomed Your coming and spread their garments in the way covering it with palm branches, make us ready to lay at Your feet all that we have and are and to bless You who comes in the name of the Lord. And grant that after having worshiped You upon earth, may we be among the number of those who shall hail Your eternal triumph and bear in their hands the palms of victory when every knee shall bow before You and every tongue confess that You are Lord to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

A great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"

In praise we adore you, King Jesus. Enter our hearts today as you entered Jerusalem long ago, and lead us by faith in the way everlasting. Amen.

♦PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"......ST. THEODULPH





†PRAYER OF ADORATION

CHILDREN'S ANTHEM: "Look Who's Coming!" Michael Bedford

Look who's coming! Look who's coming through Jerusalem today: It is Jesus Christ, the teacher/healer/Savior, spread palm branches on his way.

Sing hosanna, loud hosanna! Let the joyful song be heard; Song hosanna, loud hosanna! Sound the trumpet, spread the word!

> Junior Cherub, Senior Cherub, and First Grade Choirs Mimi Vestal, Director Mary Lawrence Flinn, Accompanist

With His salvation bringing, to Zion Jesus came, The children all stood singing hosanna to His name: Nor did their zeal offend Him, but as He rode along, He let them still attend Him, and smiled to hear their song.

All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer King, To whom the lips of Children made sweet hosannas ring!

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

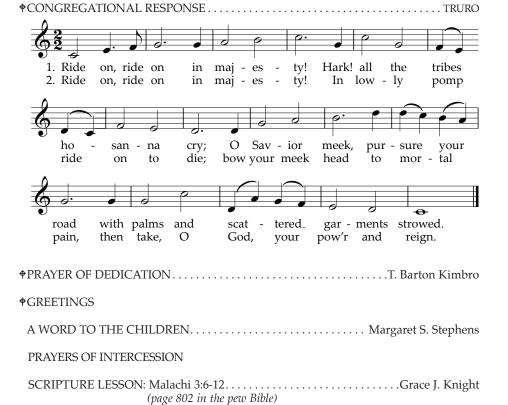
OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Ride On, King Jesus" arr. Moses Hogan

Ride on, King Jesus, Ride on, the conquering King, Oh, ride on, King Jesus, ride on. No man can a-hinder thee.

I was but young when I begun. But now my race is almost done. King Jesus rides a milk white horse. The river of Jordan he did cross.

He's the King and the Lord. He's the first and the last. He's the Lord of Lords. Jesus is the Prince of peace.

> The Westminster Singers Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music



but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen. (Isaiah 40:6b, 8)

Sanders L. Willson

Facing the Temptation to Waver

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;

The grass withers, the flower fades,

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

HOMILY

All those who have publicly professed their faith and joined a Christian church as a communing member are warmly welcomed to receive communion today. Non-communing worshipers are encouraged to contemplate the love of Jesus Christ during this time. At Second Presbyterian, we encourage our children not to take communion until they have joined the church as communicant members.

We do, however, encourage non-communing children to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. Those wishing to be served communion together as a group or family, please stand together in front of the two serving elders before taking the elements.

Gluten free communion bread is available upon request from the elder at the east side of the transverse aisle (opposite from the door leading to the Connector).

 PROFESSION OF FAITH
 The Apostles' Creed

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.

♦GLORIA PATRI GREATOREX

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!

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy Father, long ago the crowds with incessant hallelujahs greeted Your dearly loved Son, but how quickly they mocked as He went lonely to the cross. Forgive us for the ways that we, too, have welcomed Him only in words and resisted His kingship, and set our hearts free to worship and serve You as King now and forevermore. Amen.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION 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.

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

For those unable to come forward for communion, please raise your hand and an elder will serve you in your seat. Throughout this time of communion, we invite you to join in singing the hymns printed in bold below.

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, And all the twinkling, starry host: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels heav'n can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine.



Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; And the King of Glory shall come in.

Who is this King of Glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

Who is this King of Glory? The Lord of Hosts, He is the King of Glory.

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does His successive journeys run; His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,

Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown His head; His name, like sweet perfume, shall rise With every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue dwell on His love with sweetest song; And infant voices shall proclaim

Their early blessings on His name.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

†BENEDICTION

†CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata on "All Glory Laud and Honor".... Michael Burkhardt

♦ Indicates congregation standing

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We consider it a privilege to have our children in worship with us. If your small children become restless and vocal, we invite you to the children's room especially designed for them at the rear of the Sanctuary. They are also welcome in the nursery. Older children should also be encouraged to come to church prepared to stay in their pew throughout the service.

One of our pastors will be available after the service to pray for you or to offer helpful direction regarding your spiritual life. He will be in the Gathering Room, which is the first room on your left as you exit the southwest door of the Sanctuary (closest to the pulpit). You may also send your confidential email to pastor@2pc.org with questions about your spiritual life.