



**The Presbyterian Church on the Hill
Palm/Passion Sunday**

April 14, 2019

WE GATHER TOGETHER

In Preparation *(Thought for Silent Reflection)*

“Trust a crowd to look at the wrong end of a miracle every time.”

-Kurt Vonnegut

CHIMES

PRELUDE “The Heavens Declare the Glory of God”

Benedetto Marcello

As we gather together in the sanctuary, please listen to the music and spend time in silent reflection in preparation for worship.

Our Liturgist this morning is Barbara Lofthouse

▲ ENTRANCE OF THE PALMS – Led by the Children

Kids
3 Years - 5th Grade

Adrian Carle, Jordan Carle-Anderson, Gigi Delnatus, Emily Haege, Tatiana Moise, Joey Molinelli, RaeAnne Molinelli, Vivian Morales, AJ Pagnoni, Samantha Pagnoni, James Papp, Addison Paulson, Kadence Paulson, Ryland Paulson, David Pringle, Jack Pringle, Lainey Pringle, Pierson Ryan, Piper Ryan, Cody Tobin, Colin Tobin, Kailey Tobin, Ryan Toth, Ian Vacchiano, Nicholas von Grossman, Stefan von Grossman, Evan Worthley, Madelyn Worthley, Emma Zarodnansky

▲ PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 196

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Valet Will Ich Dir Geben

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Luke 19:28-40, Phil. 3:10)

Leader: Cry out, people of faith!
Rejoice and praise God!

People: **If we did not sing praise, the very stones would cry out!**

Leader: Cry out, people of faith, for your Savior draws near to Jerusalem.

People: **Hosanna! God saves! Blessed is the One who comes in God’s name!**

Leader: Blessed is Jesus Christ, who did not turn his back for fear of the cross. Let us praise the God who loves us, sharing Christ’s suffering, and facing with courage our path of faith.

All: **Hosanna! God saves!
Blessed is the One who comes in God’s name.**

²⁶ Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.^[a]

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

²⁷ The LORD is God,

and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches,
up to the horns of the altar.^[a]

²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God, I will extol you.

²⁹ O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

ANTHEM **“Fanfare for Palm Sunday”** *Mary McDonald*

Lift your heads, ye mighty gates; the King of Glory comes.
See the people celebrate; sing, “Blessed be the One!”
Praise him all ye people of earth.
Praise him with your songs of worth.
Praise him with your loud hosannas. Wave your palms with joy!

Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to Jesus, the King!

Lift your voices all ye children: Jesus is the King!
Teach us how to give him glory, let your praises ring.
Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to Jesus the King!
Jesus Christ, our King!

James Barnard

Chancel Choir

*Yuri Albertao, Michael Compoly, Jill Creveling, Marilyn Dicken, Otto Eickmeyer,
Hilary Epstein, Ed Fix, Bernice Gangaware, Nancy Kinaszuk, George Liddy
Barbara Lofthouse, Isaiah Mason, Bob Morris, Sandy Papp, Randy Stolze, Marcia
Turpin.*

Second Scripture Reading *Philippians 2:5-11 (NRSV)*

⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was^[a] in Christ Jesus,
⁶ who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

⁷ but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,

⁸ he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,

¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Third Scripture Reading

Luke 19:28-40 (NRSV)

²⁸ After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to
Jerusalem.²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the
place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples,³⁰ 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.”³¹ If
anyone asks you, “Why are you untying it?” just say this, “The Lord needs
it.”³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told
them.³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are
you untying the colt?”³⁴ They said, “The Lord needs it.”³⁵ Then they
brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set
Jesus on it.³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on
the road.³⁷ 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,³⁸ saying,

“Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!”

³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” ⁴⁰He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

SERMON **“Here Comes the Donkey King!”** *Rev. Deb Packard*

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(The Confession of 1967)*

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church’s mission. His life as man involves the church in the common life of [humans]. His service to [us] commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all the sufferings of humankind so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of [humans] in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God’s judgment on [human’s] inhumanity to [one another] and the awful consequences of its own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God’s renewal of [human’s] life in society and of God’s victory over all wrong. [9.32]

▲ HYMN No. 198 **“Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!”** *St. Drostan*

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

OFFERTORY **“All Hail, King Jesus/Majesty”** *arr. Mark Hayes*

▲ DOXOLOGY – Hymn No. 607 – **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”** *Old Hundredth*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen**

▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PASTORAL PRAYERS

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.

▲ HYMN No. 216 **“Beneath the Cross of Jesus!”** *St. Christopher*

▲ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL BENEDICTION HYMN No. 752 –
“Dona nobis pacem” *Dona Nobis Pacem*

▲ POSTLUDE **“St. Christopher”** *arr. Charles Callaban*

**Indicates when, if you are able, the congregation stands.*

Our worship has ended – now our service begins.

**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO THE PALM SUNDAY
BRUNCH**

We sincerely welcome all who have come to worship the Creator of us all. As brothers and sisters, let us give evidence that we belong to the family of God. Extend the hand of friendship to those around you, and be grateful for the gift of friends and family. If you are in need of pastoral care or perhaps a listening ear, please speak Rev. Packard or to one of our Elders, Deacons, or Stephen Ministers.

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LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

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Deborah A. Packard, INTERIM PASTOR

*The Chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God and in
 Celebration of our Children's Music and their leader, Isaiah,
 by Carol Cox*

Serving Today

- † **Greeter:** Jackie Colin
- † **Ushers:** Team 6: Ralph Jensen, Capt., Letitia Jensen, Carol Hadfield,
Jim Hadfield
- † **Flower Duty:** Gee McCormick, Elda Gall
- † **Trustee Duty:** Letitia Jensen, Michael Compoly
- † **Fellowship Host:** Christian Ed – Palm Sunday Brunch
- † **Worship Prep:** 4/13 – Laura & Ed Kelsey, 4/20 – Diana & Tom
Griffith

OUR SAFETY AND SECURITY HERE AT PCOH

As you've noticed over the last few weeks, steps have already been taken toward providing for a safer, more secure place of worship and learning here at PCOH, as we now lock all but the sanctuary doors by 10:10 am on Sunday mornings and have posted evacuation routes in the classrooms.

Your Session feels strongly that, especially in view of the world we live in today, still more needs to be explored, discussed and possibly implemented to ensure the ongoing safety and security of the family and friends of PCOH. To this end, Session is reaching out to the congregation and asking for volunteers to work as a committee in this critical area. If you feel that you can contribute in this area, or have any questions, please speak to Elder Mike Ryan, who heads up the Property community on Session, or any of the Elders.

“One Great Hour of Sharing”

PCOH 2019 Goal - \$6,000
Our Current Total is \$2,542



Music Notes from Dr. Jeff

A special thank you to our Sunday Schoolers and their families for arriving early today to celebrate our Palm Procession!



Children & Youth Team Leaders

Today

Pre-k & Kindergarten

(brick classroom)

Jessica Pursell

Cheryl Schleuss

1st – 5th Grade

(CORNER CLASSROOM – THIS WEEK ONLY)

Cheryl Miller

Sherri Ryan

6th – 12th Grade

(youth room)

Jill Vacchiano

Kelli Tobin

Easter Sunday

All kids 4 years – 5th Grade

(fellowship hall)



The Ministry of Flowers



The 2019 Flower Chart is posted outside the Office. Lots of empty spaces! If you would like flowers in the sanctuary for a particular Sunday please sign up. Cost: \$45.00. Questions? Please speak with one of the Deacons. Are you aware that our Deacons deliver the flowers to our shut-ins and hospitalized folks with our prayers and concern every Sunday?



Sign Up Sheets

(posted on rear table in sanctuary)



Fellowship Time Hosts



Liturgists



Greeters

Life on the Hill Notes

April 14th



PCOH NURSERY

TODAY

Elda Gall

April 21 _____

May 5 _____

April 28 Jamie Montero

May 12 _____



When you are shopping,
please remember that:

Trinity Needs Food

When you are cooking,
please remember that:

The Center Needs Meals



“CHRIST CARING FOR PEOPLE THROUGH PEOPLE”

If you, or a neighbor, co-worker or friend could benefit from the trained, caring presence and listening ear of a Stephen Minister, please contact one of our Stephen Leaders: Deanne Nirider (281/744-1054) or Rick Degurski (908/309-2378).

“CHURCH ON THE HILL is a diverse, inclusive community of God’s people whose faith is led by the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. We welcome, love, and empower all persons to become constructive, affirming thinkers, filled with hope, making a difference in the world. Armed with forgiveness and understanding in the knowledge that “God alone is Lord of the conscience” (Historical Principles), we will move forward in an ever changing culture and world.

□ **FAITH** □ **LOVE** □ **HOPE** □ **FORGIVENESS** □ **UNDERSTANDING** □

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