

**Palm Sunday**

**April 10, 2022**

**1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian of Rockaway**

**Join Zoom Worship (login beginning at 10:30 AM EST)**

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*\*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE “Praise the Name of Jesus”**

**By Roy Hicks, Jr., arr. by Fred Bock**

*Please use this time to silently prepare your hearts and minds for worship.*

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

**We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips;**

**we will travel through betrayal and death,**

**cradling hope deep in our hearts**

Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow,

for he is the life we long for,

he is the Word who sustains us.

**We wave palm branches in anticipation,**

**we lay our love before him, to cushion his walk**

Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes:

modeling humility and obedience for all of us.

**Hosanna! Hosanna!**

**Blessed is the One who brings us**

**the kingdom of God.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Holy God,**

**you have fed us all out of your own generous and gracious hands. From them, we have received welcome, nourishment, hope, and consolation. May**

**these things grow in us, alongside the gift of faith, so that we may plant**

**their seeds in the world around us. Through the Holy Spirit, guide us in the**

**days ahead to remember our place in your great and on-going story of**

**resurrection, redemption, and restoration through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

## **\*HYMN 196**

### **ALL GLORY LAUD AND HONOR**

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

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

2 The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our praise and prayers and anthems before thee we present. [Refrain]

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

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

### **INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

Let us confess our sins before our merciful God and beg for God's pardon on this Lenten journey.

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God Almighty, creator of all things, You are the source of our life, the source of our light. And yet all too often we fail to stop and pause, we fail to acknowledge our need for you.

**Help us choose the path that leads to the cross.**

The world spins so fast, and we find ourselves easily caught in the whirlwind of chaos. Help us, on this Sunday of Palms, to take time to look to you.

**Help us choose the path that leads to the cross.**

We long for quick fixes, for cheap miracles, rather than taking the time to seek your face. We chase after what is easy and what is fast rather than seeking what is difficult and what is everlasting.

**Help us choose the path that leads to the cross.**

Give us wisdom to seek the slower way this week, that we may take our time on the journey to the cross. Grant that we may journey through this Holy Week, with all our hearts, all our souls, and all our minds.

**Help us choose the path that leads to the cross.**

*Silent Prayer*

In the name of Jesus Christ we pray, **Amen.**

### **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Friends, God's steadfast love endures forever. There is no wall high or thick enough

to separate us from the love of God. Jesus marched into Jerusalem to save us and save us, he will! In the name of Jesus Christ, I announce to you that our sins have been forgiven. **Amen!**

### **\*GLORIA PATRI (581)**

**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.**

### **CHILDREN'S TIME**

Rev. Ryon Herin

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

#### **Luke 19:29-40**

<sup>29</sup> When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> 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. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup> They said, "The Lord needs it." <sup>35</sup> Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on

it. <sup>36</sup> As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> 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, <sup>38</sup> saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" <sup>39</sup> Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." <sup>40</sup> He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

### **Luke 22:66-23:56**

<sup>66</sup> When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. <sup>67</sup> They said, "If you are the Messiah, tell us." He replied, "If I tell you, you will not believe; <sup>68</sup> and if I question you, you will not answer. <sup>69</sup> But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God." <sup>70</sup> All of them asked, "Are you, then, the Son of God?" He said to them, "You say that I am." <sup>71</sup> Then they said, "What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!" <sup>23</sup> Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. <sup>2</sup> They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." <sup>3</sup> Then Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so." <sup>4</sup> Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, "I find no basis for an accusation against this man." <sup>5</sup> But they were insistent and said, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place." <sup>6</sup> When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. <sup>7</sup> And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. <sup>8</sup> When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. <sup>9</sup> He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. <sup>10</sup> The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. <sup>11</sup> Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. <sup>12</sup> That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies. <sup>13</sup> Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, <sup>14</sup> and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. <sup>15</sup> Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. <sup>16</sup> I will therefore have him flogged and release him." <sup>18</sup> Then they all shouted out together, "Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!" <sup>19</sup> (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) <sup>20</sup> Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; <sup>21</sup> but they kept shouting, "Crucify, crucify him!" <sup>22</sup> A third time he said to them, "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him." <sup>23</sup> But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. <sup>24</sup> So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. <sup>25</sup> He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished. <sup>26</sup> As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. <sup>27</sup> A

great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. <sup>28</sup> But Jesus turned to them and said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. <sup>29</sup> For the days are surely coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.’ <sup>30</sup> Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us’; and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ <sup>31</sup> For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?” <sup>32</sup> Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. <sup>33</sup> When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [[<sup>34</sup> Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.”]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. <sup>35</sup> And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!” <sup>36</sup> The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, <sup>37</sup> and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” <sup>38</sup> There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.” <sup>39</sup> One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” <sup>40</sup> But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? <sup>41</sup> And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” <sup>42</sup> Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” <sup>43</sup> He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.” <sup>44</sup> It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, <sup>45</sup> while the sun’s light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. <sup>46</sup> Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.” Having said this, he breathed his last. <sup>47</sup> When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, “Certainly this man was innocent.” <sup>48</sup> And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. <sup>49</sup> But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things. <sup>50</sup> Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, <sup>51</sup> had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. <sup>52</sup> This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. <sup>53</sup> Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. <sup>54</sup> It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. <sup>55</sup> The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. <sup>56</sup> Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments. On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

**ANTHEM “In Christ Alone” Words and Music by Stuart Townend & Geith Getty**

**SERMON “From Pomp and Circumstance to Whips and Mourning”**  
Rev. Ryon Herin

**\*HYMN 221 O SACRED HEAD, NOW WOUNDED**

1 O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down; now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown; O sacred head, what glory,

what bliss till now was thine! Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.

2 What thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain: mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain. Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place; look on me with thy favor, and grant to me thy grace.

3 What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend, for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end? O make me thine forever; and should I fainting be, Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

### **MINUTE FOR MISSION**

**OFFERTORY      "My Song is Love Unknown"      By Samuel Crossman**

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**The crowds offered you their coats to walk on, they waved palm branches, honoring your presence. Today we honor you, Lord, with our faithful tithes and offerings. We lay these gifts before you, humble tokens of our love, a public display of affection for our King of kings. Amen.**

### **\*HYMN 501**

### **FEED US, LORD**

1 Feed us, Lord. Feed us, Lord. In the broken bread, be revealed again. Come and feed our hearts, O Lord.

2 Quench us, Lord. Quench us, Lord. On this thirsty ground, may your love flow down. Come and quench our hearts, O Lord.

3 Fill us, Lord. Fill us, Lord, with the bread and wine of the risen Christ. Come and fill our hearts, O Lord.

4 Lead us, Lord. Lead us, Lord, nourished here by Christ, given strength for life. Come and lead our hearts, O Lord.

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

### **PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

**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.

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION  
COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE  
COMMUNION PRAYER**

**\*HYMN 93           LIFT UP YOUR HEADS, YE MIGHTY GATES**

1 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates; behold the King of glory waits; the King of kings is drawing near; the Savior of the world is here.

2 Fling wide the portals of your heart; make it a temple, set apart from earthly use for heaven’s employ, adorned with prayer and love and joy.

3 Redeemer, come! I open wide my heart to thee; here, Lord, abide. Let me thy inner presence feel; thy grace and love in me reveal

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE                                   “Encore Toccata”                                   Craig A. Penfield**  
*Please remain seated and give thanks to God.*

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**Holy Week Services**



**Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm -**  
Sanctuary, Zoom and Facebook

**Good Friday Service @ United Methodist Church 12 Noon**



**Good Friday Tenebrae Service First Presbyterian Church 7:00pm –**  
Sanctuary, Zoom and Facebook



**Easter Sunday Sunrise Service 6:15am – on the hill**  
**Easter Sunday Worship Service 10:30am –**  
Sanctuary, Zoom and Facebook



