



First Presbyterian

CHURCH OF PORTLAND

Service for the Lord's Day

Please remember to silence your cell phone. 

Welcome to worship at FPC! In response to the lifting of the statewide mandate and declining virus numbers, masks are no longer required for worship or church activities. Those who wish to continue masking are welcome to do so.

April 10, 2022

*Liturgy of the Palms
Sixth Sunday in Lent*

The Gathering

PRELUDE Two settings of *Valet will ich dir geben*
Georg Kauffmann & Martin Gaskell

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT Hosanna to the Son of David David Halls
Hosanna to the Son of David.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** *from Zachariah 9*

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Everlasting God, in your tender love for the human race
you came to us in Jesus Christ.
Entering the city of Jerusalem in triumph,
you were proclaimed Messiah and king
by those who spread garments and branches along the way.
As we hear the story of Palm Sunday once again,
open our hearts and minds to the Blessed One
that we might experience your unwavering love anew,
and follow you in greater faith.
Amen.



** Please stand as you are able.*

* **HYMN #196** All Glory, Laud, and Honor VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN
[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]

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 820; trans. John Mason Neale, 1851, alt.

Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, 7.6.7.6.D; Melchior Teschner, 1614; arr. William Henry Monk, 1861

* **INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

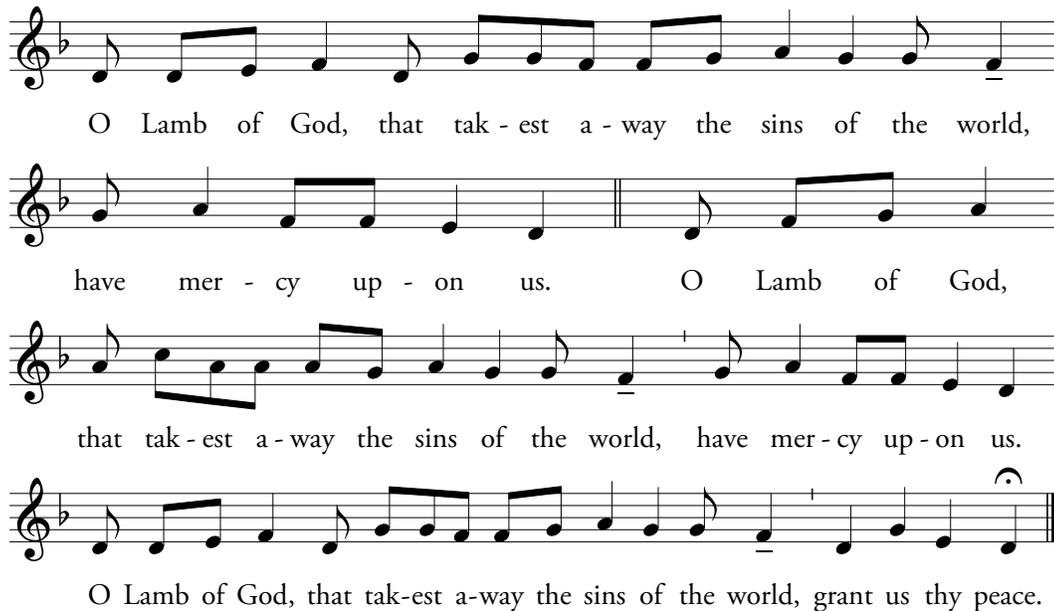
* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Long ago, the crowd that welcomed Jesus to Jerusalem
had a change of heart:
their praise and adulation quickly gave way to cries for his death.
We shudder, O God, to think of ourselves in the crowd.
We confess that ours too can be a fickle faith.
We honor you when convenient,
but abandon your Gospel
when it requires too much.
Have mercy on us, Son of David, Savior of our lives.
Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and all that we are,
trusting you to forgive what is sinful,
to heal what is broken,
to welcome our praises,
and receive us as your own.

Our prayers continue in silence.



* **LAMB OF GOD**



O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sins of the world,
have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God,
that tak - est a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

John Merbecke, 1550; arr. Healey Willan, 1930

* **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Hear these words of assurance:
Christ was pierced for our transgressions,
and by his wounds we are healed.
Trust, believe, and live the good news of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!
Hosanna! Amen!

* **RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
while millions join the theme, I will sing!

Text: American folk hymn, c. 1811
Tune: WONDROUS LOVE, 12.9.12.12.9; Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835

* **SHARING THE PEACE**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we are also to forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you!

Please take a moment to be thankful for God's peace.

The Word

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Pew Bible, pg. 565 (OT)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Santo

Michael D. Mendoza

Santo, Santo, Santo, Dios del universo. *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts.*
Llenos están los cielos y la tierra de tu gloria. *Filled are heaven and earth with your glory.*
Josana en las alturas. *Hosanna in the highest.*
Bendito él que viene *Blessed is he who comes*
en el nombre del Señor. *in the name of the Lord.*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 19:28-40

Pew Bible, pg. 83 (NT)

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

“The Savior We Need”

Rev. Carmen Goetschius

* HYMN #160

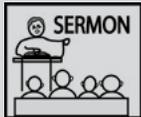
A Stable Lamp Is Lighted

ANDUJAR

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.



OFFERTORY

Ride On

Grayston Ives

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hark, all the tribes hosanna cry,
thy humble beast pursues his road with palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die,
O Christ, thy triumph now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! The wingèd squadrons of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes to see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
the Father on his sapphire throne awaits his own anointed Son.

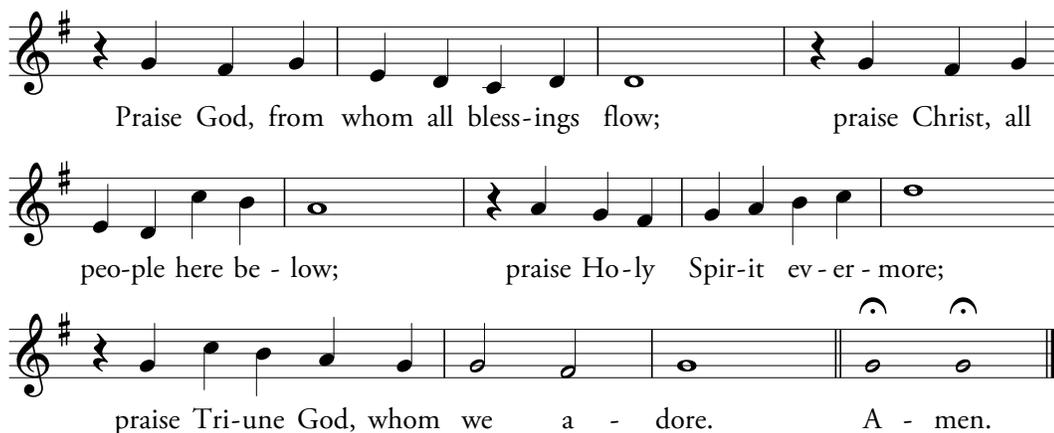
Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow thy meek head to mortal pain, then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

— Henry Hart Milman, 1827

Thank you for your faithful support of the church and Christ's ongoing ministry. You may give through the church website at this link: firstpresportland.ccbchurch.com/goto/giving or mail your check to the church office: 1200 SW Alder St., Portland, OR 97205. Those attending worship are invited to leave gifts in the offering plates as they leave the sanctuary.

* DOXOLOGY

PRAISE GOD



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all
peo-ple here be - low; praise Ho-ly Spir-it ev - er - more;
praise Tri-une God, whom we a - dore. A - men.

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

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.

The Sending

* **HYMN #209** My Song Is Love Unknown LOVE UNKNOWN

* **BENEDICTION**

CLOSING RESPONSE Amen Richard Lambert

*During the penitential season of Lent,
it is our custom to conclude worship without a postlude.*

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Audrey Schindler, Pastor
Rev. Dr. Spencer Parks, Associate Pastor
Rev. Brenna Dykman, Interim Associate Pastor
Rev. David Dornack, Parish Associate
Rev. Carmen Goetschius, Parish Associate
Greg Homza, Director of Music Ministries
Deborah Resley, Lay Reader

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We join in holding in prayer:
Liz Dean, Ed & Janice Gehrig, Herb Grose, Bob Hastings, Fran Hermanson,
Myra Rounsavell, Tom Showalter, Pete Taylor, and others facing illness and loss.
If you would like your name added to the prayer section of the weekly bulletin, or confidential prayers,
please contact the church office at office@firstpresportland.org or by phone at (503) 228-7331.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

*The sanctuary flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of
Suellen Bergdorf's 80th birthday, by the Deming family.*



*Celebrate
Easter!*

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday, 7:00 pm

Good Friday, 7:00 pm

Easter, April 17

Worship Service, 10:30 am

**Easter Egg Hunt (ages 11 and under)*

following worship

Services will be in person and livestreamed at:

firstpresportland.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zoom Coffee Hour Today After Worship!

Those who are worshipping online are invited to a Zoom coffee hour today following the service, from 11:35 am to noon. The Zoom link is:

<https://bit.ly/FPCCoffeeHour>

Help Us Flower the Cross on Sunday!

Participate in a new tradition at First Presbyterian by clipping some blooms from home (any flowers will do) to add to the cross Easter morning before worship. Additional blooms will be on hand for visitors, but the more color the better as we celebrate the hope and promise of the resurrection. Children are especially welcome to take part.

One Great Hour of Sharing Helps Ukrainians

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), an agency supported by the One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS), is responding to the refugee crisis on the Ukrainian border. Delivered through our established church partners in the region, PDA is providing food, water, clothing, shelter, psychosocial support and other basic items needed for survival. This is just one of many projects supported by OGHS across our country and around the world. You can make donations in worship, by mail or through the church's website. We dedicate our OGHS Lenten offerings today in worship.

Stewardship Update

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind . . . and love your neighbor as yourself. Matthew 22:37-39

"Love God, love our Neighbors" has been the focus of First Presbyterian Church's 2021/2022 stewardship campaign. As we move forward into this new year, we are thankful for the support of our congregation and grateful for the generosity of those who have been able to make pledges. As we face new challenges we have much to be thankful for. For the 2022 pledge year to date we have received 154 pledges for a total of \$813,642. We exceeded our original goal of \$775,000 and the additional dollars will help us to strengthen the work of our church and fill the gap left by declining revenue from the parking garage. Thank you to all who continue to prayerfully support the ministries of our church. Questions: Please contact the FPC office by email at office@firstpresportland.org or call 503-228-7331.

Dedicate an Easter Lily - Donation Due Today!

Every Easter, lilies adorn our sanctuary, and are given to home-bound or ill members of FPC to brighten their Easter season. You can help offset the cost of the lilies by donating \$15 in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Fill out the enclosed form and make your payment through CCB, or select "Pay Later" to mail a check to the church office. Donations are due today. Please include \$15 for each person remembered or honored. To order online:

<https://bit.ly/EasterLily2022>

Make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church with Easter Lilies in memo. Names of those remembered and honored will be published in the worship bulletin on Easter Sunday, April 17.

April 20 Evening Congregational Meeting Online

Session is calling a meeting online by Zoom of the congregation for Wednesday evening, April 20, at 7:00 pm. The Zoom link for the meeting is:

<https://bit.ly/AprilCongregationalMeeting>

Meeting ID: 814 4920 6229

Session is calling this online congregational meeting to vote on two items:

1) proposed changes to the church bylaws that the Session is recommending

2) a proposal from the Personnel Committee regarding a compensation item for members of pastoral staff. Members on the active roll are able to vote, and anyone involved in the church's life is welcome to attend.

Background papers for the meeting are posted on the FPC website, and are also available upon request from the church office by leaving a phone message at (503) 228-7331, or by email at office@firstpresportland.org.

Call for Fellowship Hosts

We're delighted to be able to have coffee fellowship after worship again. Would you like to take a turn in hosting? Or providing the sliced cheese? Hosts make the coffee and set everything out, then clean up afterwards. (They also bring the half & half.) It's a fun volunteer job that you can do monthly or occasionally. If you're interested, contact Lauren Deming at laurendeming511@gmail.com.

Tuesday Women's Book Club

The Tuesday Women's Book Club will meet on Tuesday, May 3 at 11:00 am on Zoom. Our book is "Tightrope" by Nicolas Kristof and Sheryl Wu Dunn. Norma Fales will lead the discussion. A national bestseller, it deals with the crisis in working class America and focuses on solutions. To join, contact Jan Mittelstaedt: janmitt@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Racial Diversity Workshops in April

A coalition of local congregations, including First Presbyterian, is bringing David Campt and The Dialogue Company to Portland this spring. The Dialogue Company is committed to building the capacity of people, organizations, and communities to defuse racism by engaging in positive, inclusive dialogue. The purpose of the trainings is to encourage and inspire people to have constructive conversations about race and help provide the tools to do so. The workshops will be at Westminster on April 21-23. FPC has 15 scholarship spots for \$20 to attend both the keynote and session one. E-mail bdykman@firstpresportland.org to claim a spot. For a calendar of events and ticket prices, click on the following link: <https://bit.ly/3CNLdAl>

Learning Together Through Lent

Join us on Sundays after church from 12-1:00 pm in-person or online to reflect on being a “beloved community.” To sign up to be a part of this group and receive an electronic PDF of the devotion, please e-mail Pastor Brenna at bdykman@firstpresportland.org or call the church office.

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81652694626>

FPC Higher Education Grant

The FPC Higher Education Grant is a one-time award to high school seniors or those who have been tied to FPC and have been accepted into an accredited 2-year, trade, license or certification program or full college. To receive a copy of the application or for questions, please contact Pastor Brenna at bdykman@firstpresportland.org

Rummage Sale

Please stop by the old Alder Street Learning Center (in the basement of FPC) on May 15 from 11:30-1:30 to find a deal! Fill a bag for \$5 or larger items are as marked. There are lots of toy, children’s books, and other items. All proceeds go to support FPC’s Youth Mission Trips.

Save the Date for Labor Day Retreat, September 2-4

Enjoy Menucha’s spectacular scenery, marvelous meals, and an excellent community-building program. Whether you want an active weekend including swimming and hiking or would rather take things easy, you’ll love this time to connect with our church community, draw closer to God and marvel at creation in the Columbia River Gorge. And whether you’re new to our church family or have been here for years, there’s a place for you at Menucha.



“Entry into the City,” John August Swanson, 1990



LOVE GOD.
LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS.

Vision Statement:

At First Presbyterian Church, we commit to building faithfully on our legacy as a Christ-centered community, serving the spiritual needs of a multi-generational congregation, welcoming and accepting all, honoring all voices. Through engaging worship, thoughtful education, warm fellowship and caring outreach, we will develop and sustain disciples for Christ, serving our neighbors near and far.

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