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THE HIGHEST HOSANNA IN

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH OF PORTLAND**

palm

SUNDAY

**10:30 AM
APRIL 2ND, 2023**

**LOVE GOD.
LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS.**

Please remember to silence your cell phone.

* = *Please stand as you are able.*

Regular text is read by minister
Bold text is read by congregation

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

All Glory, Laud, and Honor
All Glory, Laud, and Honor
Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

arr. Austin C. Lovelace
arr. Kevin J. Sadowski
arr. Jason W. Krug

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

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

David Halls

*CALL TO WORSHIP

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.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**God Most High, gracious and glorious,
blessed is the one who comes in your name.
Lead us now on the road to the cross.
May we follow with faithfulness and joy,
shouting Hosanna in the highest heaven;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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!**

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.

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

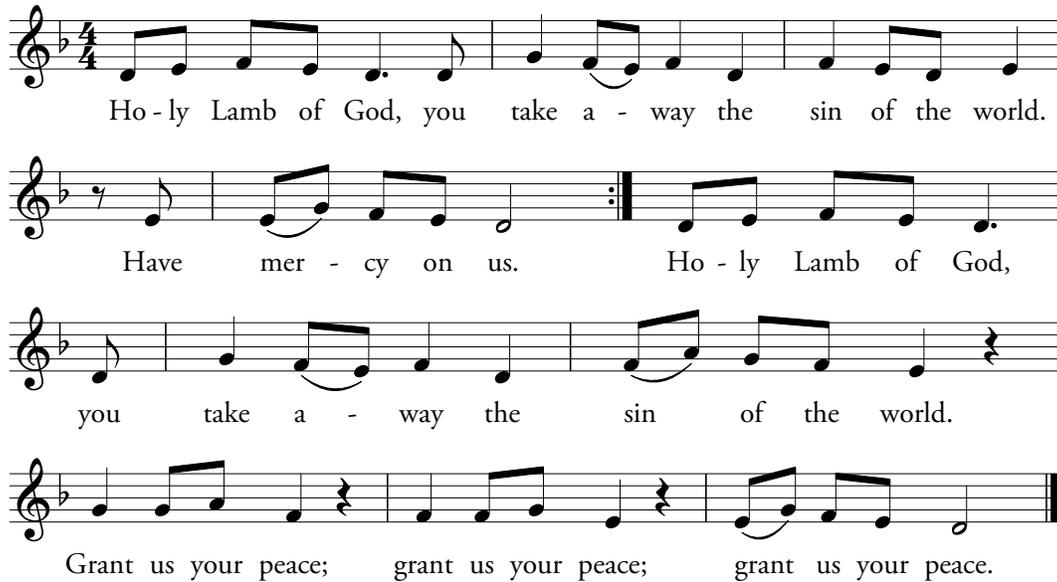
***INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Unison*)

**Holy God, sure of your faithfulness even in your pain,
comforted by your loyalty even in our betrayal, we pray for your mercy.
Forgive us that we fail to follow you to the end,
and when you need us, we abandon you.
We have been afraid to follow in faith and slow to help your people in need.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
who gave his life that we might live, we pray.**

Our prayers continue in silence.

***LAMB OF GOD**



Ho - ly Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world.
Have mer - cy on us. Ho - ly Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world.
Grant us your peace; grant us your peace; grant us your peace.

Text: Trad. liturgical text Music: © Yusuf Khill (Glory to God No. 602)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

As far as the East is from the West so far shall God remove our transgressions from us.
Friends believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

ELLACOMBE

**“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer; the Lord of heav’n, our King.
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.**

Text: Jennette Threlfall, 1873, alt. Music: Gesangbuch der Herzogl, 1784, alt.

***SHARING THE PEACE**

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

Please take a moment to greet those around you with God’s peace.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING

Jesus' Entrance into Jerusalem

Matthew 21:1-11

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

ANTHEM

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

GOSPEL READING

Jesus' Passion

from Matthew 26 & 27

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

“A Long Journey to Jerusalem”

Rev. Dr. Audrey Schindler

*HYMN #221

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

*RESPONSIVE PRAYER ON CHRIST'S PASSION

Our Redeemer suffered death, was buried, and rose again for our sake.

With love let us adore him.

Let us pray. Christ our teacher, for us you were obedient, even to death.

Teach us to follow God's will in all things.

Christ our life, by dying on the cross, you destroyed the power of death.

Enable us to die with you and rise with you in glory.

Christ our strength, you were despised and rejected by all.

Teach us the humility by which you saved the world.

Christ our salvation, you gave your life out of love for us.

Help us to love one another.

Christ our Savior, on the cross you embraced all time with your outstretched arms.

Gather all the scattered children of God into your realm.

Jesus, Lamb of God,

have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins,

have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world,

grant us peace.

Thank you for your faithful support of the church and Christ's ongoing ministry. You may give through the church website at: 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 you depart the sanctuary.

OFFERTORY

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Philip W.J. Stopford

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 an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

— Isaac Watts, 1707

(Nick Halsey, conductor)

COMMISSIONING OF MISSION TEAM TO UGANDA

*DOXOLOGY

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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THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF GREAT THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

GREAT THANKSGIVING ACCLAMATIONS (*Spoken*)

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation

Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Great Amen

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Unison*)

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 OF THE BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION MUSIC

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

arr. Rebecca Groom te Velde
arr. Mary Beth Bennett

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE SENDING

***HYMN #209**

My Song Is Love Unknown

***BENEDICTION**

CLOSING RESPONSE

Amen

Richard Lambert

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Rev. Carmen Goetschius, Parish Associate
Greg Homza, Director of Music Ministries
Shelby Walker, Lay Reader

**WORSHIP
LEADERS**

**PRAYERS OF
THE PEOPLE**

We join in holding in prayer:

Kathy Callas, Ross Fogelquist, Fran Hermanson 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 flowers in the sanctuary are in loving memory of Glen and Bette Morris
by Raj and Shelly Garg.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Week Services

Please join in Holy Week worship services (in person and streamed) including communion on Maundy Thursday (April 6 @ 7 pm), Tenebrae on Good Friday (April 7 @ 7 pm), and Easter Sunday (April 9 @ 10:30 am) as we commemorate Christ's last supper, passion, and joyous resurrection.

Easter Lilies

Easter lilies adorn our sanctuary and are hand delivered to homebound or ill church members to brighten their Easter holidays. You can help offset the cost by donating \$18 in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Order online by clicking the **"Order Lilies" button on the front page of our website** or by clicking the link in this week's e-blast. If you need assistance ordering online, please call Sheila or e-mail the office. Please order your lilies by **Today**.

Easter Vigil; a recital of the Gospel of John

We invite you to participate in a contemplative recitation of the Gospel of John on **Saturday, April 8 from 8pm - 9pm in the Chapel**. Participants will take turns reading aloud. If you're interested in attending, please contact Pete Vanden Bosch. (petevandenbosch@gmail.com, 503-440-7886)

Palm Sunday Brunch @ Menucha

Today after worship the Palm Sunday brunch will be held at Menucha, for those who have previously signed up and have purchased a ticket. We look forward to this yearly event and hope you can join us for events over the summer as well.

Observe Lent with One Great Hour of Sharing

Today we dedicate our One Great Hour of Sharing offerings. OGHs provides relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed here at home and around the globe. You may give by placing your offering in the offering plate as you depart the sanctuary, or online on the church website. Thank you for taking part in this effort to care for those in need across the world!

"Beautiful Words: Reconnection" April 2-May 28

Join the artists **following worship this morning** for the Opening Reception of the first post-pandemic exhibition for this group. This exhibit will feature calligraphy that explores the beauty of writing and design, and empowers calligraphers to write words that are personally meaningful. The artists all members of the Portland Society for Calligraphy, are celebrating their reconnection with each other through this exhibition.

Women's Book Club

We invite you to join us on **this Tuesday, April 4th, at noon** in The Heritage Room (#207) or via Zoom to discuss the book "A Road Called Down on Both Sides: Growing up in Ethiopia and America" a memoir by Caroline Kurtz. Caroline, an Oregonian and child of Presbyterian Missionaries from the 50s, joins us to discuss her book. Join us at 11:30 am and bring a brown bag lunch. Beverages will be provided before the meeting.

Easter Egg Hunt

We look forward to welcoming children of all ages to our annual Easter Egg hunt that will take place immediately following the Easter service next week. The hunt will begin around 11:30 am in the plaza garden outside the sanctuary (located above the parking garage). Please bring a basket for collecting eggs (though we will have extra on hand if you forget). **This event is free and there will be snacks & fun for all ages!** If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Carmen at cgoetschius@firstpresportland.org

Soft Goods & Books!

Running from **now until April 30th**, the youth will not only be collecting soft goods, but books as well. This drive goes to support their mission trip to the Philippines. Both the soft goods and books go to a local thrift store, and the youth raise money per pound of items! So bring us those big books and old clunky shoes and more. **All items can be dropped off in Geneva Hall.**

CAN you Help?

With the rising cost of food and cuts made to SNAP benefits, our emergency food closet is being hit hard. For the next month we are collecting food staples: **peanut butter, tuna, canned fruit, canned soups**. As our space is limited, we are **ONLY collecting the above items**.

Please drop donations in the large Red bin in Geneva Hall or by the church office.

Flowering the Easter Cross

On Easter Sunday we invite everyone to participate in our tradition of 'flowering the cross' just prior to worship. Bring a flower with you (or some will be available here) and attach it to the cross at the front of the sanctuary. Together we will transform the cross from a bleak symbol of death to a beautiful Easter celebration of new life through Jesus' resurrection.

Vision Statement:

We commit to be a church that is:

Engaged: A forward-thinking and involved congregation committed to each other and to the wider community.

Inclusive: A faith community that affirms and welcomes all people.

Compassionate: A congregation that follows in Christ's way, advancing the well-being and dignity of all people, working for a just and equitable society, and caring for all creation.

Faithful: Living our faith authentically with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love while expanding the circle where God's love is known.

Ways to get involved at FPC

Adult Bible Lectionary Study

Every Sunday @ 9:00 am via Zoom and in Room 308

Practical Theology Study and Discussion

Every Wednesday @ noon at the church

Open Circle

Every Thursday @ 10:15 am in the Heritage Room (207) and via Zoom

Chancel Choir

Practice every Thursday @ 7pm in the Choir Room

Sunday School: Pre-k to 8th Grade

Every Sunday @ 10:45 am during worship at the church, except for Communion Sundays
(First Sunday of the Month)

Volunteer @ Alder House Food Closet, Community Dinners, and NEFP

Contact Rev. Brenna Dykman for info (email below)

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