



*Palm Sunday*

### Welcome and Announcements

*Please sign the Friendship Folder and pass it to others seated on your pew. If you have a prayer request, complete a yellow prayer card. Ushers will collect them during the opening hymn.*

### Minute for Mission

Mo Ranch Men's Conference

Barry Webb

### Passing the Peace of Christ

### Prelude

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor: Andante*

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN  
arr. Michael Burkhardt

### Introit

*Excerpt from Hosanna in the Highest*

David W. Music

### †Call to Worship

Barbara Davis

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

**All: God's steadfast love endures forever!**

One: The Lord has answered our prayer

**All: and become our salvation.**

One: God's steadfast love endures forever!

**All: Hosanna, hosanna!**

### †Hymn #197

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

ELLACOMBE

*Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;  
through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,  
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.*

*From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd,  
the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud;  
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,  
nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.*

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

### Prayer of Confession

**Triumphant God, we join the crowds of the ages in shouting your praises. While our lips give you glory, our lives seldom reflect your purposes. We sing of your greatness but often fail to live in ways faithful to your will. We hear of your salvation, yet sin is still close and real, daily leading us away from you. Ride into our hearts, bringing your strength and showing us your mercy. In your healing grace, forgive what we have done and direct who we shall be.**

(Silent Confession)

**Kyrie** Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

### **Assurance of Pardon**

### **Prayer for Illumination**

#### **Old Testament Reading:** Psalm 118:19–29

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

### **Anthem**

#### *Sing a Glad Hosanna!*

arr. Lee Dengler

*O sing a glad hosanna! Wave your palms and shout for joy!  
O sing a glad hosanna, you followers of the Lamb.*

*Awake, Jerusalem! Redemption's drawing near.  
In meekness and humility, your Lord appears.  
He is the King of kings, and David's royal Son.  
In God's own name, He comes today, the blessed One.*

*Sing glory, hallelujah, unto our Redeemer King!  
Sing glory, hallelujah, you followers of the Lamb.*

#### **New Testament Reading:** Luke 19:29-40

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 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. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it." ' So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. 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, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

### **Sermon**

*"Peace in Heaven, Conflict on Earth"*

Rev. Dr. Fairfax Fair

### **†Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed**

### **†Hymn #200**

*A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd*

CHRISTIAN LOVE

*A cheering, chanting, dizzy crowd had  
stripped the green trees bare, and hailing Christ as  
king aloud, waved branches in the air.*

*They laid their garments in the road and  
spread his path with palms and vows of lasting  
love bestowed with royal hymns and psalms.  
When day dimmed down to deepening dark the  
crowd began to fade till only trampled  
leaves and bark were left from the parade.  
Lest we be fooled because our hearts have  
surged with passing praise, remind us, God, as  
this week starts where Christ has fixed his gaze.  
Instead of palms, a winding sheet will  
have to be unrolled, a carpet much more  
fit to greet the king a cross will hold.*

### **Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

#### **Call to Offering Offertory**

*An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare*

Barbara Baltzer Kinyon  
Handbell Choir

#### **†Doxology #606**

#### **†Prayer of Dedication**

#### **†Hymn #198**

*Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!*

ST. DROSTANE

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

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

*Ride on! ride on in majesty! The hosts of angels in the sky  
look down with sad and wondering eyes to see the approaching sacrifice.*

*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.*

#### **†Charge and Benediction**

#### **†Response #561**

*Amen*

Per Harling

#### **Postlude**


*All Glory, Laud, and Honor: Toccata*

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN  
arr. Michael Burkhardt

*†Please stand in body or spirit.*

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 **Flowers** today are given to the **GLORY OF GOD** by the Worship Ministry in honor of Palm Sunday, and in celebration of Walkers 10<sup>th</sup> birthday by Steven and Shannon English.

**Worship** in the Sanctuary is at 10:30 am each Sunday. Livestream can be found at [fpcpasadena.org](http://fpcpasadena.org).

**FPC Sunday School: All classes except Men's Bible Study begin at 9 am.**

- **Sunday Morning Bible Study**—8:45 am in the Library. Led by Mark Corder.
- **Stepping Out in Faith**—Bride's Room & Zoom (contact Bonnie Keith for the Zoom link). (Pat Abrams leads the current study of *Paul for Everyone: 2 Corinthians*, by N. T. Wright.) This class is taking a break.
- **Current Christianity**—Room #8, discussion of the book *The Day I Met Jesus*, by Frank Viola and Mary E. DeMuth.
- **Kindergarten through 5th grade**—Room #7. Led by Bonnie Keith and Donna Gilchrest.
- **6th-12th grade**—Room #10. Led by James Jackson and Brian Davis.

 Drop by the Fellowship Hall after Sunday School or before worship for fellowship, a cup of coffee, and possibly a 'treat'... 10-10:30 every Sunday morning.

**Easter Lily orders are due TODAY!** Purchase your **EASTER LILIES** for \$12.00 each in honor or memory of a loved one. You may take your lilies home after worship service on Easter Sunday. Envelopes are located on the pews and in the Narthex.

**Maundy Thursday** soup supper and communion service is Thursday, April 17, at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**Good Friday Tenebrae Service** is at noon on Friday, April 18, in the Sanctuary.

**One Great Hour of Sharing Special Offering** — Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed. Envelopes will be in the pews today and on Easter Sunday, April 20. **IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!**



On Easter Sunday, bring flowers (real or artificial) to **"Flower the Cross"** on your way into church. The cross is located in front of the church and is wrapped in chicken-wire.

THE 2025 LENT DAILY DEVOTIONAL, *The Hardest Part: Hurt We Carry, Hope We Find*, is located on the FPC website at [fpcpasadena.org](http://fpcpasadena.org).

Order your 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary T-SHIRT in **Light Blue** or **Heathered Purple** by April 30. Order forms located in the narthex. Place your order and payment in the envelope provided. Drop it in the box in the church office or the church mailbox. Thanks!

**Orphan Grain Train** Packing Day Plus - Saturday, April 26th 8:00-noonish. Lunch will be served. Meet at OGT 5040 E Sam Houston Parkway S, 77505.

**The Brunch and Book Group** meets next on Saturday, April 26, 10-Noon in the Fellowship Hall, to discuss the book, *The Demon of Unrest: A Saga of Hubris, Heartbreak, and Heroism at the Dawn of the Civil War*, by Erik Larson. "Erik Larson bring to life the pivotal five months between the election of Abraham Lincoln and the start of the Civil War in this riveting examination of a nation in tumult."

**Remember in your thoughts and prayers:** Pat Abrams; Melba Slaven; Beth Council; Frank & Glenda Kucera; Mike & Susan Wallace; Kay Hutson; Imelda Carrillo; Maurice and Joyce Barclay; Joan Gibertini's daughter, Deborah; Iliana Vela's sister, Maribelle; Anne Berridge; Cathy Armstrong; Elois Murray's son, Steve; Leah Slaven; Lavinia Brown's sister, Edith Morehead; Diane Hall's great granddaughter, Mary Ellen.

Sunday, April 13	Sunday School/Men's Class—Library	8:45 am
	Sunday School/All Ages	9:00 am
	Worship Service	10:30 am
	Handbells—#11	12:15 pm
Monday, April 14	Mission & Outreach—Library	1:00 pm
	85 <sup>th</sup> Anniv. Meeting—#10	5:30 pm
	Session Meeting—FH	6:45 pm
Tuesday, April 15	Chair Yoga—FH	5:00 pm
	Floor Yoga—FH	6:15 pm
Wednesday, April 16	Brown Bag & Bible—FH	12:00 pm
	Prayer Shawl—#10 & Zoom	1:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Thursday, April 17	Men's Breakfast—Frank's	7:30 am
	Intercessory Prayer—Library	11:00 am
	<b>Maundy Thursday Meal &amp; Communion—FH</b>	<b>6:00 pm-7:00 pm</b>
Friday, April 18	<b>Good Friday Tenebrae Service</b>	<b>12:00 pm</b>
Sunday, April 20	<b>Easter Sunday</b>	
	Sunday School-All Ages	9:00 am
	Fellowship—FH	10:00 am
	Worship Service	10:30 am

### Mission Statement

"Our mission is to live and share the good news of God's love, grace, and mercy in Jesus Christ, to equip people for discipleship and service, and to work for social justice and peace."

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#### Leading in Worship Today

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