



CHRIST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

PALM SUNDAY
APRIL 13, 2025



ORDER OF WORSHIP

A Service of Word and Prayer

April 13, 2025 | 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Music: Sandra McCracken

Lyrics: Based on Psalm 72, James Montgomery, 1821, 1828



Chorus: Hail to the Lord's a - nointed - ed,



great Da - vid's great - er Son!



Hail in the time ap - point - ed,



His reign on earth be - gun, His reign on earth be - gun!



1. He comes to break op - pres - sion,
2. He comes with com - fort speed - y
3. To give them songs for sigh - ing,
4. He shall come down like show - ers
5. The tide of time shall nev - er



to set the cap - tive free,
to those who suf - fer wrong;
their dark - ness turn to light,
up - on the fruit - ful earth;
His cov - e - nant re - move;



to take a - way trans - gres - sion
to help the poor and need - y
whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing
love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers,
His name shall stand for - e - ver;



and rule in eq - ui - ty. *vv. 1, 3, 5 to Chorus*
and bid the weak be strong.
were pre - cious in his sight.
spring in His path to birth.
that name to us is Love.

Welcome & Announcements

Les Newsom

*Please stand, if able.

***Call to Worship¹**

Psalm 118:19-26

Elder: 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.

People: I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

Elder: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

People: This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Elder: Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success!

All: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.

***All Glory, Laud, and Honor**

Hymn No. 235

Music: ST. THEODULPH, Melchior Teschner, ca. 1615

Lyrics: Theodulph of Orleans, ca. 820, tr. by John Mason Neale, 1854

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

***Affirmation of Faith**

Philippians 2:5-11

Elder: Church, who is the Lord Jesus Christ?

All: Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

***At the Name of Jesus, verses 1-3, 5**

Hymn No. 163

Music: KING'S WESTON, Ralph Vaughn Williams, 1925

Lyrics: Caroline M. Noel, 1870; alt.

Call to Confession

John 3:19-21

¹⁹And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil.

²⁰For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. ²¹But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.

Silent Confession

¹We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His invitation and command to us to gather in His name.

Confession of Sin

All: O Lord, just as on that day when You entered the rebellious city that later rejected you, we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's, that our faith is often more show than substance, that our hearts are in need of cleansing. 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 to receive us as your own, for Your namesake. Amen.

***Assurance of Forgiveness** Matthew 21:9b, John 3:17, Ephesians 5:1-2
9...“Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!...

17For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him...

1Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. 2And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

*Song of Moses

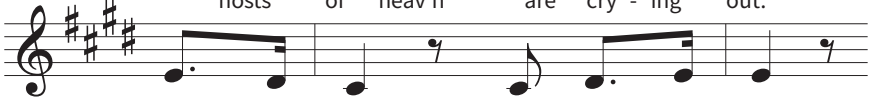
Music & Lyrics: Aaron Keyes, Ben Smith, Chris Moerman, Graham Kendrick, Joseph Barrett



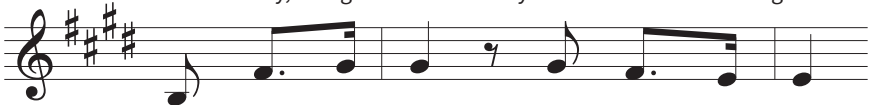
1. O the Lord, our strength and song,
2. Though the storms of hell pursue,
3. All the saints and angels bow,



high - est praise to Him be - longs;
in dark - est night we wor - ship you.
hosts of heav'n are cry - ing out:



Christ the Lord, our con - q'ring King,
You di - vide the rag - ing sea;
"Glo - ry, glo - ry to the King!



your name we raise, your tri - umphs sing.
from death to life you safe - ly lead.
You reign for all e - ter - ni - ty!"



Chorus: Praise the Lord, our Might - y War - rior.



Praise the Lord, the Glo - rious One.



By His hand we stand in vic - to - ry,

*Please stand, if able.



and by His name we o - ver - come.



Bridge: The Lord shall reign for - ev - er, and ev - er.



The Lord shall reign for - ev - er, and ev - er. The

Life Together

Grace Anne Byrd, Disability Support Ministry

Offertory Prayer

Deacon Webb Lewis

Offertory

"Hosanna"

Music & Lyrics: Andrew Peterson, Andy Gullahorn, Ben Shive

Visitors, please fill out a visitor card located in the chair backs in front of you and drop it in the offering plate.

***Children's Church Dismissal: During the 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. service four- & five-year-olds may be dropped off & picked up at the sanctuary door to the left of the piano to attend Children's Church.*

Pastoral Prayer

Les Newsom

Members of the Week:

Randy & Kathy Atkins
Caleb Bailey

Missionaries of the Week:

Ricky & Arely Kroeger: Wycliffe, Mexico

Sunday School Teachers of the Week:

Youth: Scott Byrd & Phoebe Goodwin

Christ Pres Leadership & Staff:

Abby & Reed Davis

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Scripture Reading

Psalm 73:1-28

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Elder: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"Singing Our Doubts (Psalm 73)"

Brian Sorgenfrei

Psalms: Songs of the Heart

Children's Church pickup by the sanctuary door to the left of the piano after sermon.

***Children's Church is provided to help families make the transition from nursery to the worship service. Volunteers will take them upstairs for a time of singing, praying, playing and listening to a Bible story. Please note that Children's Church is optional for families and we also fully support keeping your child in the service as well!*

*The Power of the Cross

Music & Lyrics: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend



1. Oh, to see the dawn of the dark - est day:
2. Oh, to see the pain writ - ten on Your face,
3. Now the day - light flees, now the ground be - neath,
4. Oh, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds,



Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry,
bear - ing the awe - some weight of sin;
quakes as its Mak - er bows His head.
for through Your suf - f'ring I am free.



Tried by sin - ful men, torn and beat - en, then
ev - 'ry bit - ter thought, ev - 'ry ev - il deed
Cur - tain torn in two, dead are raised to life;
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,



nailed to a cross of wood.
crown - ing Your blood - stained brow.
"Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry.
won through Your self - less love!

v. 4 to Final Chorus



Chorus: This, the power of the cross: Christ be - came sin for us.



Took the blame, bore the wrath: we stand for - giv - en at the cross.



Final Chorus: This, the power of the cross: Son of God, slain for us.



What a love! What a cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross.

*Benediction²

¹Please stand, if able.

²Just as God has the first word in worship, He also has the last word. For those who are in Christ Jesus, these are always words of blessing. We look up and extend our hands out in a posture of receiving the blessing of God.



The flowers in the sanctuary were donated from the wedding of
Kathryn Mitchell & Andrew Hyde.

Musicians & AVL Team

Randall Bryant, guitar & vocals; Noel Childress, mandolin; Gregg Davidson, vocals;
Kristi Davidson, lights & projections; Amanda Fliflet, sound engineer;
Allison Lavender, violin; Slade Lewis, bass; Gabriel Miña-Reyes, cello;
Andy Paney, piano; Molly Singletary, keyboard & vocals; Daniel Spears, percussion

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