SUN 11AM MAR 24, 2024

Worship Service for THE LORD'S DAY



FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

As a community of Christ's disciples, we joyfully participate in Christ's mission of love and peace, transformation and hope.

Welcome to Worship

Words printed in **bold** are for the congregation to speak in unison.

* An invitation to rise in body or spirit.

PRELUDE Chorale Fantasia on All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Johann Sebastian Bach Stephen Adams

The Holy City

Pittsburgh Ceremonial Brass

WELCOME AND INVITATIONS

Rev. Roger Owens

INTROIT Lift Up Your Heads

Giovanni Gabrielli

Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors. (Psalm 24:7)

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Zechariah 9:9)

Rev. Ginger Thomas

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.

* **HYMN 196** All Glory, Laud, and Honor Valet will ich

CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

All are invited to exchange signs of reconciliation and peace with others.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE AND PALM PROCESSION

Rev. Lori Bass-Riley

Children are invited to join Pastor Lori for the Palm Procession.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Ellacombe

Children attending Kids' Church may follow Pastor Lori after the Procession.

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (OT, pg. 565)

Mark 11:1-11 (NT, pg. 47)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON Glimmers of God's Kingdom Rev. Rebecca DePoe

Draw nigh to thy Jerusalem, O Lord, thy faithful people cry with one accord. Ride on in triumph, Lord, behold we lay our passions, lusts, and proud wills in thy way! Thy road is ready, and thy paths made straight, with longing expectation seem to wait the consecration of thy beauteous feet, and silently thy promised advent greet! Thy road is ready; and thy paths, made straight, with longing expectation seem to wait. Hosanna! Welcome to our hearts for here thou hast a temple too as Zion dear. O enter in, dear Lord, unbar the door and in that temple dwell forevermore. Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Bert Lerini, timpani

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

OFFERING

Please complete a connect card and place it in the offering plate.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Canticle for Palm Sunday

Tom Fettke

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. Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna to the King! The company of angels are praising thee on high, and mortal men and all things created make reply. The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went. Our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present. Sing Hosanna!... To thee, before thy Passion, they sang their hymns of praise. To thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. Thuo didst accept their praises; accept the praise we bring, who all good delightest, thou good and gracious King. Sing Hosanna!...

* DOXOLOGY One Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN 198

Ride On! Ride on in Majesty!

St. Drostane

*BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

The Palms

Jean Baptiste Faure

Sing and rejoice, O blest Jerusalem. Of all thy sons sing the emancipation; through boundless love the Christ of Bethlehem brings faith and hope to thee forevermore. Join all and sing, his name declare; let every voice resound with acclamation, Hosanna! Praise ye the Lord! Bless him who cometh to bring us salvation.

POSTLUDE The Palms Jean Baptiste Faure

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All are invited to remain for the postlude.

Participants Today

Rev. Ginger A. Thomas, Co-Senior Pastor (ginger@fcpc.us)

Rev. Dr. L. Roger Owens, Co-Senior Pastor (roger@fcpc.us)

Rev. Rebecca DePoe, Associate Pastor (rebecca@fcpc.us)

Rev. Lori Bass-Riley, Minister of Children and Families (lori@fcpc.us)

Dr. David A. Billings, Director of Music Ministries and Organist (david@fcpc.us)

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Kelly Lynch, soprano

Louise van Mook, mezzo-soprano

Andrew Boag, tenor

Logan Newman, bass

Howard Havlicsek, Audio Engineer

Jenny Clark, Livestream Producer (jenny@fcpc.us)

Don Moyer, Temporary Caretaker (don@fcpc.us)

Chancel Choir

Andrew Boag, Don Boyd, Nick Graef, Margaret Groninger, Dee Hoyt, June Hurh, Zelene Hutchison, Fran Jetcyk, Beth Lockwood, Kelly Lynch, Brian Miller, Gwen Minshall, Jerry Minshall, Logan Newman, Barbara O'Connell, Ray Overmyer, Takako Petek, Audrey Russo, Polly Swanson, Terry Thompson, Louise van Mook, Tommy Walters, Joanne Welsh

Pittsburgh Ceremonial Brass

Drew Fennell and Josh Boudreau, trumpets; Matt Litterini, horn; Bruce Lazier, trombone; Phil van Ouse, tuba; Bert Lerini, timpani

For Children and Families during 11am Worship

Children of all ages are welcome to remain in worship with their families, and we provide the following opportunities for children and families:

Children age 3 to 5th grade are invited to sign up for Kids' Church prior to worship near the entry to the Sanctuary. Children may join Pastor Lori at the front of the Sanctuary for a Children's Message during worship (except on the first Sunday of the month). Following the Children's Message, children are led to the lowest level Kids' Space, where parents/guardians can pick them up following worship. The lowest level is accessed via the elevator in the Atrium or the staircase near the main entrance to the building.

Nursery care is available for ages 0-3 in Room 109 (near the main entrance).

The Comfort Space is available in Room 107 (next to the nursery) to comfort or feed a child and watch the worship service via livestream.

Chancel Flowers

Today's chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor and in memory of those who came before, by Marti White.

HEARING DEVICES are available in the Sanctuary. Ask an usher for assistance. If you have a hearing aid that has the T-Coil activated, please ask for a T-Coil neck loop receiver.

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