

**First Presbyterian Church  
Palm Sunday  
March 20, 2016  
at 11:00 a.m.**



**THE CHURCH GATHERS . . .**

**PRELUDE**

*With the first notes of the organ, please silently prepare yourself for worship.*

**THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**WELCOME AND SHARING OF COMMUNITY LIFE**

**HYMN OF PREPARATION No. 84 Verse 1&4**

*Rathburn*

**“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Jesus rode a donkey into Jerusalem.

**People: Hosanna! Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Leader: The people laid down their garments and praised God.

**People: Hosanna! Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Leader: If the people keep quiet, even the stones will cry out.

**People: Hosanna! Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**“All Glory Laud and Honor”**

**\* UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, we confess  
That we have sinned against you.  
The lips that sing “Hosanna!  
are the same that shout “Crucify! “  
The hands that wave palm branches  
are the same that prepare your cross.  
Forgive us, God of grace.  
Look upon us with mercy—  
our lives are in your hands.  
Save us, by your steadfast love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**\*PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION IN SILENCE**

**\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE AND GRATITUDE**

*Gloria Patri*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to  
the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

**TO HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD.....**

**A TIME FOR OUR CHILDREN**

Children ages 5 and under are excused to go downstairs following our Children's time.

## THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

**Psalm 118: 1-2; 19-29**  
*Pew Bible Page #492-93*

The Response: Leader: This is the Word of the Lord  
People: **Thanks be to God**

## THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

**Matthew 21:1-11**  
*Pew Bible Page #875*

The Response: Leader: This is the Word of the Lord  
People: **Thanks be to God**

## ANTHEM

**“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna!**

**Matthew 21:9**

Text by Jennette Threlfall

Arranged by John Carter

from *Gesangbuch der Herzorl*, 1784

Hosanna! Hosanna!  
Blessed is He that comes in the  
name of the Lord!  
Hosanna to the Son of David!  
Hosanna, loud hosanna  
the little children sang;  
through pillared court and temple  
the lovely anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them,  
close folded to his breast,  
the children sang their praises,  
the simplest and the best  
Olivet they followed mid an  
exultant crowd,

the victory 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..

**SERMON**

**Rev. John Wamsley**

**“Christopher”**

**Christos + pheon= Christ - Bearer**

**\*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION No. 91**

**St. Drostane**

**“Ride On! Ride On Majesty”**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**Philippians 2:5 - 11**

*Pew Bible Page 954*

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

**THE FELLOWSHIP OF SILENT PRAYER**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND SUPPLICATION**

**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.**

# **PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

## **THE OFFERTORY**

**\*THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE No. 592**

**Verse 1**

**We give Thee but Thine own  
Whate'er the gift may be  
All that we have is Thine alone\  
A trust, O Lord from Thee**

**\*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**TO GO OUT AND SERVE**

**\*HYMN OF PROCLAMATION No. 148**

**King's Weston**

**“At the Name of Jesus”**

**\*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*THE RESPONSE FOR CHOIR AND CONGREGATION No. 333**

**“Seek Ye First”**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**To Our Guests** – Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of Marianna. We are happy to have you worship with us today. We invite you to join us each Sunday, as we worship and study God's word. If you would like more information concerning our church, you may fill out one of the *Welcome* cards in the pews and place it on the offering plate, talk to the ushers or call the church office.

**The Palms** gracing our Sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God.

**Our Prayer Calendar:** Daniel Bilik (requested by Fran McNeill), Brandon Stewart (requested by family), ( Mike Evans (requested by family), Louise Pumphrey (requested by family), Gail Stearn, Guy Green's sister, (requested by family), Ned Grove (requested by family), J R Gortemoller (requested by family), Elizabeth Littleton Walker (requested by Stanley Littleton), Dr. Steve Stafford (requested by Barry Stafford), Jeff Allen (requested by Hazel Nelson), Destry Burch and Fletcher Dunaway (requested by Mary Bevis Schmidt), Bob Ward and Michael Ward (requested by Mary Wierman), Kena Nelson (requested by Hazel Nelson), Marie Lanier (requested by Joy Lewis), Gina Stuart, Joy Gilbert, Daun Crews, Stanley Littleton, JoAnn Rountree.

The final **LENTEN LUNCHEON** is Tuesday, March 22nd, and will be hosted by our Presbyterian Men, who will be responsible for the food that day.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY** on March 24th, a service with **COMMUNION** will be observed at 6:30 p.m. Choir will help lead worship.

**GOOD FRIDAY** We will be having a worship service at 5:30 p.m. We will be emailing you all copies of the Maundy Thursday and Good Friday Services. Nursery provided and feel free to "Come as you are" –esp. Friday.

**EASTER SUNDAY** is March 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be a special Education Hour program and the annual picture of our church family will be made on the front steps across from City Hall. Rumor has it that there will be an Easter Egg Hunt as well. Anyone donating filled Easter eggs, please have them at the by 9:30 a.m.

The **One Great Hour of Sharing** offering will be taken on Easter Sunday, Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through One Great Hour of Sharing to share God's love with people experiencing need. Our gifts support ministries of disaster response, refugee assistance and resettlement, and community development that help people find safe refuge, start new lives and work together to strengthen their families and communities.

## **This week in the life of the church . .**

Today	Coffee, Juice and Fellowship at 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal at 10:00 a.m. Special Education Hour at 9:45 a.m. Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Monday	Ladies Exercise Class at 9 a.m.
Tuesday	Lenten Luncheon at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Bagging for the Food Pantry at 3:30 p.m. Session at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
Wednesday	Food Pantry open from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Wild Wonderful Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Choir Rehearsal at 4:00 p.m.
Thursday	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> Alzheimers Caregivers Group at 11:30 a.m. Worship service at 6:30 p.m. with Communion
Friday	<b>Good Friday</b> Ladies Exercise Class at 9 a.m. 5:30 p.m. "Come to The Cross" in Fellowship Hall
Sunday 4/03	<b>Easter Sunday Celebration</b> Coffee, Juice and Fellowship at 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal at 10:00 a.m. Special Education Hour at 9:45 in the Fellowship Hall Easter Egg Hunt, Flower the Cross, All-Church photo Worship at 11:00 a.m. One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

**The Dogwood Acres Work Retreat was a great success with much accomplished  
Thanks to all who attended.**

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