



Palm Sunday

April 5, 2020

While our ordinary practice is to celebrate communion on the first Sunday of each month, we will not be celebrating the sacrament today. We ask for your patience as we learn new ways of sharing the sacrament even while we are apart.

Gathering and Announcements

Prayer of the Day

Gathering Hymn 88

All Glory, Laud and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To Thee, Re-deem-er,

To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas

1. Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, Thou Da - vid's roy - al
2. The peo - ple of the He - brews With palms be - fore Thee
3. To Thee, be - fore Thy pas - sion, They sang their hymns of
4. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; Ac - cept the prayers we

Who in the Lord's name com - est, The King and bless-ed
Our praise and prayers and an - thems Be - fore Thee we pre -
To Thee, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we
Who in all good de - light - est, Thou good and gra-cious

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings

First Reading

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

- 1 O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!
- 2 Let Israel say,
“His steadfast love endures forever.”
- 19 Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.
- 20 This is the gate of the LORD;
the righteous shall enter through it.
- 21 I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.
- 22 The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD’s doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 24 This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- 25 Save us, we beseech you, O LORD!
O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!
- 26 Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.
We bless you from the house of the LORD.
- 27 The LORD is God,
and he has given us light.
Bind the festal procession with branches,
up to the horns of the altar.
- 28 You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God, I will extol you.
- 29 O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Anthem

Ride Through Jerusalem

Michael Bedford

(b. 1949)

sung and recorded remotely by members of The Youth Choir

Nick Dogas, *director*

Taylor Brooks, *sound engineer*

Jason Kissel, *piano*

Ride through Jerusalem, little donkey, ride through the city today.
Ride through Jerusalem, little donkey, palms spread along the way.
You bear a dear and precious load, making your way down a crowded road.
Ride through Jerusalem, little donkey, ride through the city today.

Ride through Jerusalem, little donkey, ride through the city today.
Ride through Jerusalem, little donkey, palms spread along the way.
You bear the son of God, you see. He'll bear a cross for you and me.
Sing Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Matthew 21:1-11

1When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 2saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. 3If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." 4This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

5 "Tell the daughter of Zion,

Look, your king is coming to you,

humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

6The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; 7they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. 8A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

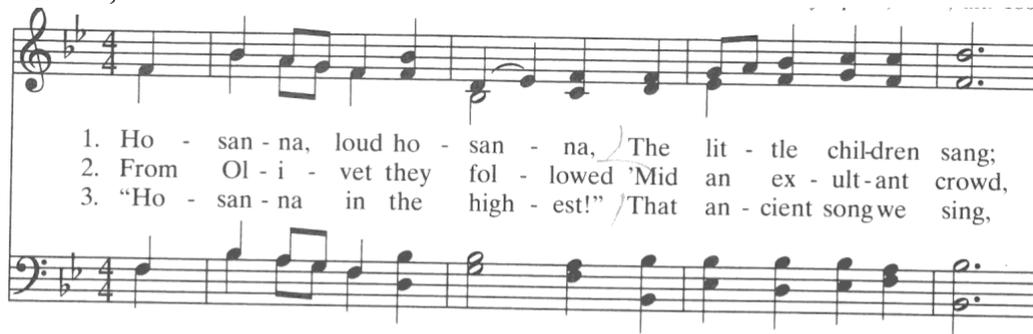
10When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?"

11The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

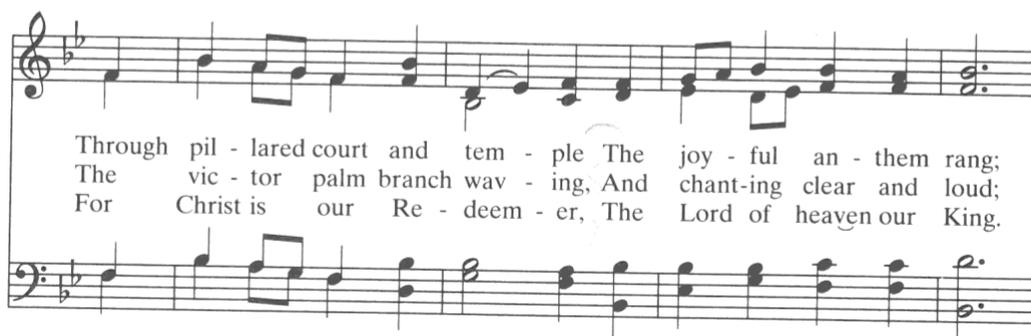
Hymn of Response 89

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna!

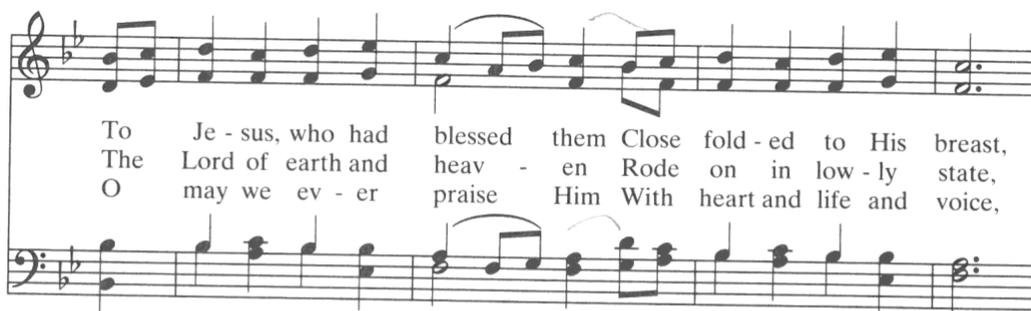
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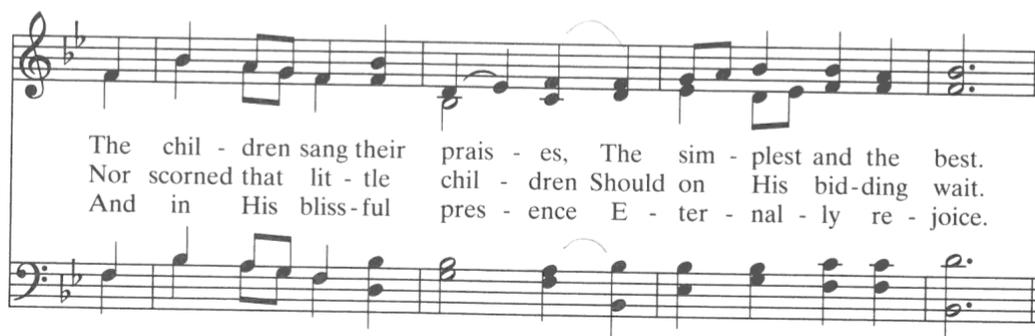
1. Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle children sang;
2. From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed 'Mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
3. "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,



Through pil - lared court and tem - ple The joy - ful an - them rang;
The vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, And chant - ing clear and loud;
For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heaven our King.



To Je - sus, who had blessed them Close fold - ed to His breast,
The Lord of earth and heav - en Rode on in low - ly state,
O may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice,



The chil - dren sang their prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.
Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.
And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

Prayers of the People

Please use the chat forum to enter your prayers and we will share those as a part of our communal worship.

O God, in your mercy.

Hear our prayers.

Purple Ribbon List

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| 04/01/2020 | Gary Williams | 18 | Male | Unknown |
| 03/30/2020 | Riyad Campbell | 18 | Male | Unknown |
| 03/29/2020 | Kimberly McCubbin | 30 | Female | White |
| 03/28/2020 | Anthony Covington | 27 | Male | Black |
| 03/27/2020 | Shannon Barmer | 22 | Female | Black |
| 03/25/2020 | Stephen Sanders | 38 | Male | Black |

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

Offertory *See invitation to give in the Chat Box on Zoom*

Offertory Anthem

The Way to Jerusalem

Harold Friedell
(1905-1958)

*Sung and recorded by the First & Franklin Sanctuary Choir,
Palm Sunday, 2019.*

John McLucas, baritone

And it came to pass when the time was come that he should be received up,
He steadfastly set his face to Jerusalem.

And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way.

Others cut down branches from the trees and strewed them in the way.

And the multitudes that went before and that followed, cried, saying,
Hosanna to the Son of David; Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the
Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

And when he was come near, he beheld the city and wept over it, saying,
If thou had'st known, even thou, at least in this thy day,

The things which belong unto thy peace, but now they are hid from thine
eyes,

Jerusalem! Who watched while Majesty rode on to die, crying hosanna in a joyous song, Could'st thou not heed the distant warning cry of heaven's apprehensive waiting throng?

Hosanna to our King! Thine acclamations ring,
While God the Father veils his face, and God the Son his griefs embrace,
Sing thine own griefs, Jerusalem!

Jesus saith, Father, save me from this hour:
But for this cause came I unto this hour; Father, glorify thy name.

Then came there a voice from heaven saying,
I have both glorified it and will glorify it again.

Jesus answered and said,
This voice came not because of me, but for your sakes.

Sending Hymn 91

Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty

ST. DROSTANE

1. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! all the
 2. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
 3. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! The wing - ed
 4. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly

tribes ho - san - na cry; O Sav - ior meek, pur -
 pomp ride on to die; O Christ, Thy tri - umphs
 squad - rons of the sky Look down with sad and
 pomp ride on to die; Bow Thy meek head to

sue Thy road With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
 now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
 won - dering eyes To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
 mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy power, and reign.

Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God, as we approach the end of our Lenten journey, we too are frightened by what lies ahead. Set your spirit upon our hearts to remind us that you are always near, within us, around us, and among us. Like the crowds gathered at the triumphal entry, we are understandably preoccupied with the events of the day and somewhat distracted from your ever-present guidance and teachings. Accept these offerings as both a thanksgiving and as a renewal of our commitment to being attentive to your kingdom as it entwines within our reality. Help us to remain vigilant, be more eager to give than to receive, and keep our hopes from fading. For you are our God, and we will praise you; you are our God, and we will extol you. Amen.

Charge and Benediction

Fellowship & Invite to an online Public Forum with Maya Rockey Moore Cummings, Candidate for U.S. House of Representatives, 7th Congressional District

Giving at First & Franklin Presbyterian Church

The ministry of the First & Franklin Church depends on your generous giving, especially in these difficult times. Click the link to give your offering: [GIVE](#). Please consider using an "automatic payment" for your church giving, or mail your offering to the church office at 210 West Madison Street, Baltimore, MD 21201. Your gifts will be processed by the church office.

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Rob Hoch, *Pastor*

Jason Kissel, *Minister of Music & Organist*

The Taylor Brooks, *Tech Support*

Youth Choir

Nick Dogas, *director, The Youth Choir*

Don Juedes, *tenor, hymn leader*

Marianne Shick, *soprano, hymn leader*

Sandra Smith, *alto, hymn leader*

Pastor Rob's schedule runs from Tuesday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (not including Sunday). To meet with Rob, please set up an appointment.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

MESSAGE ABOUT THE HEALTH OF JIM SCHNEIDER

To our First & Franklin Church Family,

I am writing to tell you that Jim became a home hospice patient last night. He is declining in a number of ways but hospice hopes to manage his pain and any anxiety optimally. Caroline, our daughter, and I are with him. Unfortunately Laura, our oldest daughter, must remain in Austin, Texas. Pastor Rob visited with us by phone and Jim was able to say most of the Lord's Prayer with him. The family appreciates your thoughts and prayers.

Lovingly,

Susan, Laura, and Caroline

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR OFFERINGS

As we all recognize real concerns for our friends who will experience hardships through this disruption in regular routines, so too, we need to be mindful that your weekly contributions are critical to helping us maintain the financial obligations of the church. Payroll, mortgages, electricity and the rest are needs we must continue to cover, and your continued support of your pledges will be even more important while we are tele-worshiping. In addition to accepting your pledges by mail to the church office, we have recently added a PayPal link to the top of our new website which will allow us to process donations with this link: **GIVE**. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

PUBLIC FORUM | MAYA ROCKEYMOORE CUMMINGS | April 5, 2020 | 12 noon

First & Franklin is invited to a public forum, HOPE in a Time of Crisis featuring Maya Rockeymoore Cummings on Sunday, April 5, 2020 at 12 noon. Rob Hoch will perform the introduction.

Please plan to join after Sunday worship.

Click: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1Pt-ndMwSJ2Nx4fV-EpmPw

For more information about Maya Rockeymoore Cummings click: [Maya Cummings](#)

QUARANTINE ON THE PALATINE (HILL): MUSICAL DIVERSION

by **Scott Fulton**

Hoping to overcome the coronavirus blues with the company of friends, Scott Fulton will again perform some music this Sunday. To join “Quarantine on the Palatine (Hill): Musical Diversion by Scott Fulton” please click the link below at 1:00 pm Sunday, April 5th.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/293795981?pwd=STN3VjB2UXVQckJJTXJGTzNRTENjZz09>

Meeting ID: 293 795 981

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Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/ad7oc9N85h>

MORNING PRAYER | 7:00am

Please join us online:

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

Zoom Event Click: [MORNING PRAYER](#)

Facebook Live: [FFacebook](#)

EASTER SCHEDULE

Due to the pandemic, we will continue to host our services online, including a Good Friday service at 7 p.m. on April 10th and a 10:30 a.m. online worship service on Sunday, April 12th.

While we will not be meeting with Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church for a Maundy

Thursday Service, we commit to be in prayer for and with our sibling church as together we follow Christ into a ministry of reconciliation and healing.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayers from March 29, 2020 Service

Prayers for our grandson Christopher who in spite of the pandemic is scheduled for his last surgery on his right foot. [Connie & David]

Prayers for the loved ones of Dolores Huse who passed away. [Sabrina]

Prayers for Urban Bible Fellowship Church in East Baltimore which lost its steeple, the second highest in the city after ours, in a four-alarm fire. [Alec]

Prayers for my friend Aditya, in isolation from his wife and 6-month old daughter, with pneumonia in Seattle, presumed Covid-19. [Laurel]

Prayers for our daughter Valerie who has been tested for Covid-19 but has no results yet. [Connie & David]

Prayers for Becca's sister Leslie in Waco, TX who is a nurse practitioner on the front lines. [Steve & Becca]

Prayers for my neighbors in the Mt. Vernon community and my apartment building. [Randy]

For all those who die alone, including our neighbor Frank Harmon, from Covid-19 at Howard County Hospital. [Audrey & Rol]

Prayers for my niece, Cynthia Warren, who is at the end stages of colon cancer in NYC which is challenging for her family here in Maryland. [Deborah]

In celebration of our F&F community, worshipping together despite all obstacles. Gratitude for all who labor to make that possible. [John]

Prayers of Thanksgiving for Dr. Fran Wallace who tested negative for Covid-19. [Chris & David]

Prayers for my friend, Anika, who is recovering from Covid-19 and her mentor and best friend's mother who both succumbed to the virus. [Scot]

For Alan Anders, now in hospice at home, and fading. [Audrey & Rol]

In thanksgiving for my sister Abby, who tested negative for the virus. [Sarah]

For those in situations of domestic abuse who are now quarantined with their abusers. [Jan]

Prayers for my son, Gregory, who is a paramedic in Baltimore City. [Deborah]

For our nephew, Mike, who is intensive care in Bloomington, IL. [Chris & David]

For parents who are bringing new babies into the world in this challenging time. [Miriam]

For my friend, Donna, who is at home recovering from Covid-19 and doing well. [Mike]

Prayers for my childhood friend Carly, who was hospitalized in DC and transferred to their Covid-19 wing. [Taylor]

Prayers and thanks for those previously unseen who are now deemed essential. [Scot]

Prayers for the many ministers who continue to feed their congregations from points of their own isolation. May the Holy Spirit continue to strengthen them. Like all of us, those in ministry are also experiencing challenges. [Bob Glock]

Prayers for several friends suffering from Covid-19 and for a friend who lost her brother to Covid. [Paul]

Prayers from March 25, 2020 Service and earlier

Prayers for Jim Schneider, who is now a home hospice patient.

Prayers for the clients of Moveable Feast who are isolated. [Mike Johnson]

Prayers for our sister church in Cuba, also fighting the coronavirus, with much more limited medical resources. [Laurel Oldach]

Prayer for the family and friends of Marie Tillman, my dearest Aquarium volunteer. She was 93. blind and died of cancer. [Audrey Suhr]

Prayers for Becca Hollaway for medical treatment on her neck. [Steve Hollaway]

Prayers for Alan Anders, Rol's nephew, who has only 2-4 months to live and is suffering with brain cancer. [Audrey Suhr]

Prayers for Doris Huse (my extended family) who is suffering from dementia and organ failure in Wisconsin. [Sabrina Schumann]

Prayers for my friend Ellie's cousin, who has Covid-19 and is having to self-isolate with an immunocompromised 1-year old son. [Sarah Lloyd]

A prayer of thanks for the technology that can keep us in touch with family and friends. [Jim Schroll]

Prayers for all the patients and hospital workers who are being restricted from visitors. [John Wolford]

Thanksgiving for the great outdoors and the care of our Leadership and staff at Glen Meadows. [Susan Haugh]

Prayers for Kimmie McNeil who passed away last week, the mother of Frank McNeil and mother-in-law of Paul Fowler. [Charley Boynton]

Prayers for those of John McLucas' friends in Italy who we met and know in our hearts. [Maggy]

Thanksgiving for Rhonda Cooper, Paula Fowler, Kevin Jones and other healthcare givers in our community who are continuing to provide care in the face of this virus. [Beth Seeley]

Prayers for the many furloughed and laid off employees. [Bob Glock]

Thanksgiving for friendships at a distance. [Al Gephart]

Praying for our daughter-in-law Fran Wallace as she awaits her Covid-19 results. [Chris & David Wallace]

Thanksgiving to Rob and the entire team for making this online church community possible. [Audrey Suhr]

Prayers for my Mt. Vernon neighbors. [Randy Veale]

Prayers for Robin. [Anne Silbermann]

Thanksgiving that I was able to hear Dr. Hoch preach again. [Michael Hill]

Thanksgiving for Rob, Taylor, Jason, John, Marianne and Nick for their creative use of technology to give our church family avenues to stay connected. Big thanks to Wanda, George and Deborah who are behind the scenes but still working hard for all of us. We have the best staff!! [Beth Seeley]

For all those who cannot be at the bedside of those who are dying. [Tamara Razzano]

I am grateful that my close friends in Italy are all well during their time of quarantine. [John McLucas]

Prayers for Kerri, a family friend, who was laid off, and for my friend Andrea who is still awaiting evacuation from the DRC. [Allie Pyan]

Prayers of concern for the foodservice industry and all those who have lost their jobs. [Marianne Shick]

Prayers for all the teachers who will be navigating the waters of online learning. [Nick Dogas]

Prayers for family who cannot visit Covid-19 patients. [Jason Kissel]

Thanksgiving that we heard from and worshipped with Scott and Sasha as they are quarantined in Italy. [Beth Seeley]