

Faith Presbyterian Church Sierra Vista, AZ April 10, 2022

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~ At the sound of the chimes, please use this time to silently prepare for worship. ~

PRELUDE *"Hosanna!"- Martin*

GREETINGOne: This is the day that the Lord has made!**All:Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

INTROIT *"Filled with Excitement"*

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

One: We begin the holiest of weeks this day, seeking to discover God in the passion and grief.

- All: Have grace on us, O God, as we listen for words which will sustain our weariness.
- One: We will be invited to sit at the Table, where Jesus welcomes friends and followers.
- All: Have grace on us, Brother of our tears, as we struggle not to turn our backs on you.
- One: As the days unfold, may we worry not so much about ourselves, but for the One who stands by us.
- All: Have grace on us, Spirit of comfort, and hold us in every moment of this journey.

***OPENING HYMN** *"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" #197*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Have mercy on us, God of betrayers and deniers. We have run out of tears, weeping for ourselves, so have none for those damaged by life. We forget those who are around us, as if they have died, rather than caring for them. We argue about who is the wisest, strongest, greatest, and never notice those who serve with humility and grace. Yet we pray that you would remember us, God of the Passion, and pour out mercy on us. May we commit our hearts into yours, so we may learn how to love as deeply as you. May we commit our hands into yours, so we may be taught how to serve others with joy. May we commit our spirits into yours, so we may be as trusting as Jesus, the One who was willing to believe the promises you made so long ago.

(silent reflection)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)

- One: Our tears are mingled with those of God; our sighs are held in the heart of grace; our emptiness is filled with hope and peace.
- All: Hesitantly, hopefully, we will walk with Jesus to Jerusalem, and beyond. For everything is done for us, and we bend our knees in praise and joy. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

*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.

WELCOME

We invite all our guests to identify themselves as they wish.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDRENS TIME Elder Richard Carter

ANTHEM *"Raise the Wave of Praise" -* Chopin Special Guest, Cory Allen, flutist

SCRIPTURE - Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

¹O 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.^a

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.^{III}

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.

Holy wisdom, holy word, thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE – Luke 19: 28-40

²⁸ After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ 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. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ 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, ³⁸ saying,

"Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven!"

³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰ He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

Sermon Keeping the Stones Quiet

RESPONSE The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OUR PRAYERS FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

Offertory "Chapel Bell" - Flagler

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS**

*CLOSING HYMN "Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!" #198

*BENEDICTION

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"* #196 (verse 2)

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring! The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our praise and prayers and anthems before thee we present

POSTLUDE *"Hosanna in the Highest" - Gale*

Announcements:

Maundy Thursday, April 14, 7:00p.m.

Easter Sunrise Service, April 17 6:00a.m., Veterans' Memorial Park

Dixieland Devotionals, Thursday, April 21,

Sierra Vista Sings, Friday and Saturday, April 29 and 30, 7:00p.m. United Methodist Church, 3225 St. Andrews Dr., Sierra Vista Tickets are \$5.00 each. Debi Godwin has tickets available and They can also be purchased at the door.