



Strengthening Servanthood



PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 13, 2025



God of love,
as we prepare to remember the events of this week, open our eyes to see the beauty of Jesus's self-giving love, and by your Holy Spirit work in our community a desire and commitment to serve each other and our hurting world. In Jesus name,
Amen.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**please stand as you're able*

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN 197**

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna, Ellacombe²

WELCOME & OPENING SENTENCES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

Luke 19:28-40

PRELUDE

Postlude, W. Mathias¹

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

O Lord, who on this day 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. Lord have mercy on us. Help us 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 guide us as your own. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SONG OF CELEBRATION 593

*Holy, Holy, Sanctus*³

*PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

After the message, children may follow the teacher to room 11 for Spiritual Adventures.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

Holy God, as we come now to the reading of your word, we ask you to illuminate our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit. May the light of your word brighten the Holy Week path ahead of us as we journey in steps of Christ towards the cross. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 50:4-9a

SERMON

The Servant King

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN 199

*Filled with Excitement, Hosanna*⁴

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER RESPONSE HYMN (insert)

*Make Me a Servant, Make Me a Servant*⁵

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Hosanna, R. Clausen*⁶

*DEDICATION HYMN 761 (vs. 1)

*Called as Partners in Christ's Service*⁷

Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace,
we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to grace.

May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend,
equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SEALING THE WORD

*HYMN 364

*Lift Up the Gates Eternal, Gilu Hagalilim*⁸

With each verse, the hymn will be sung faster.

*CHARGE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Toccatà on "All Glory, Laud, and Honor", arr. M. Burkhardt*⁹

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Leaders Today:

Preacher: Pastor Sara Tonje

Liturgist: Jean Loup

Minister of Music: Joe Chrisman

AV/Tech: John Tarr/Josh Mou

The Chancel Choir

Ushers/Greeters: Chuck Kamp, Kate Fletcher, Judy Graham, Gary Stephens (Deacon)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Lilies

You are invited to share in the Easter decoration of the sanctuary by purchasing a lily plant at a cost of \$18 each. You can take your lily home after the 9:45am worship on Easter or leave it in the sanctuary. This is a lovely way to remember someone who has passed, or to honor someone living. Please complete a form by TODAY and turn in the payment by next Sunday, April 20. Checks can be payable to Westminster with "lily" in the memo.

Church Discussions

The Session invites you to participate in a conversation about our mission and ministry to prepare for calling a new pastor. We will be using the 2024 Westminster Self Study Overview as a way to see current challenges and opportunities that the church is facing. Our goal is to have honest and hopeful conversations toward a shared understanding of the priorities for Westminster.

- When: Sundays April 13, 27, & May 4th at 11am-12noon

- Where: the Yuma side of the narthex

Coins for a Cause - April

All coins collected in the offering plates for the 4 Sundays in April will go to this endeavor. As we did in 2024, we are asking our children, with Amy Poland's guidance, to use these monies to select gifts from the Presbyterian Giving Catalog. So bring your spare change to church and drop those coins in the collection plate.

Rummage Sale THANK YOU

The annual rummage sale raised a record-setting \$4,000+! Thank you to those who donated, volunteered and shopped! These funds will go directly back into our community to support others.

One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) - The PCUSA Offering

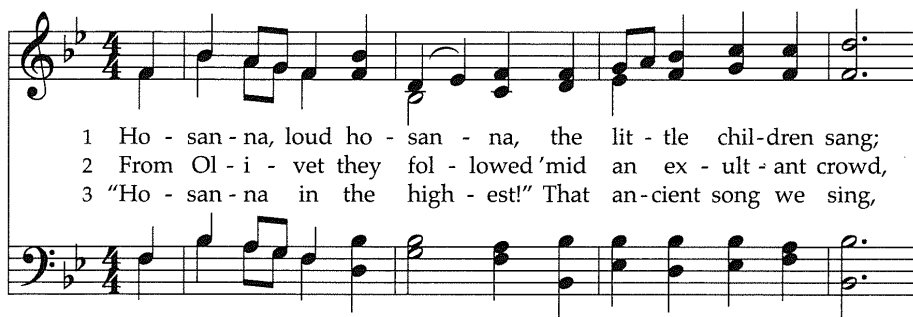
One Great Hour of Sharing supports disaster relief, programs to prevent hunger & poverty and refugee assistance as well as issues of climate change. Please consider donating to OGHS anytime now through Easter. When we all do a little, it adds up to a lot!

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

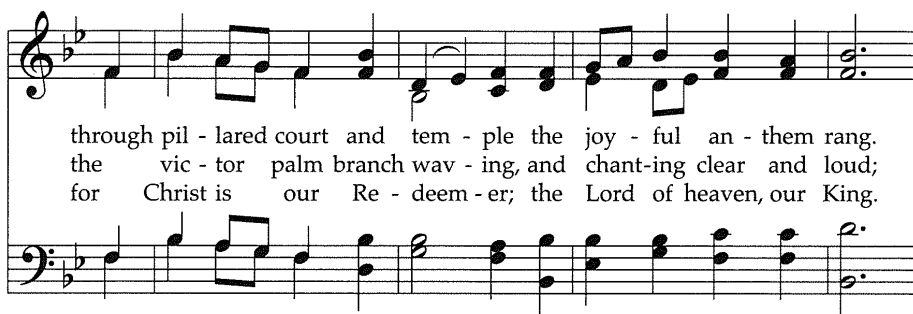
Care List: Rick Dettloff, Nancy Prine, Lynn Chapman, Bill & Sue Bridson

Members & Friends: Bob Klassy, the family of Bob Forsberg, the Tarr family, the family of Rick Gajeski (dear friend of Sara Pope), the Scoville family (passing of their Aunt Tammy)

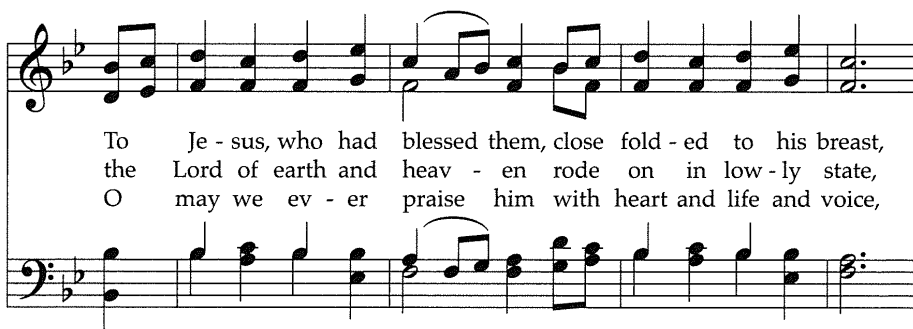
197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



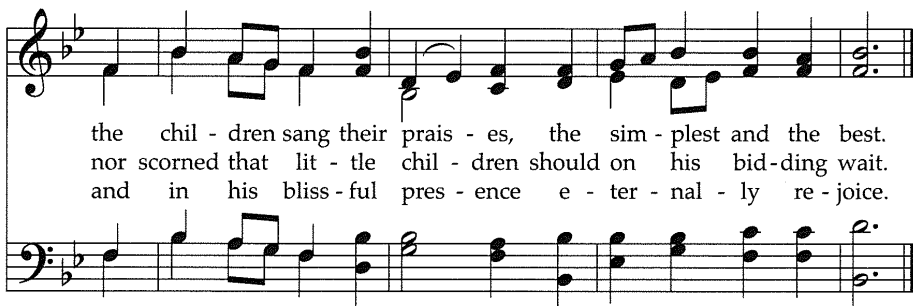
1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed 'mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,



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.

Make Me a Servant

Unison

G Em D7sus/A D7sus D7 D7sus/A

Make me a ser - vant, hum - ble and meek, Lord, let me

C/D D7 C/G G Am/G G B7 Em Em7/D

lift up those who are weak; and may the prayer of my

Em/C# Cm6 G/B D7sus/A G/B

heart al - ways be: make me a ser - vant, make me a

Am7/C G/D D7sus D7 C/G G

ser - vant, make me a ser - vant to - day.