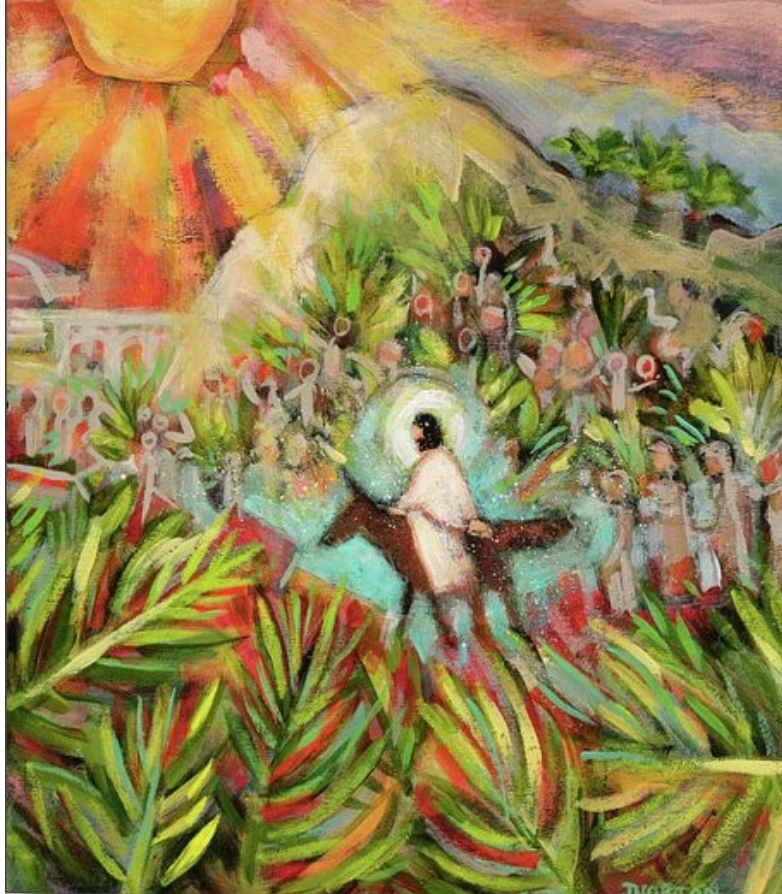


Palm Sunday
April 24, 2023



Palm Sunday, acrylic on metal
Jen Norton (b. 1958) American

Faith Presbyterian Church
ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Cat Dodson Goodrich

JOYS AND CONCERNS

INTROIT *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

setting Joel Raney
(b. 1956)

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had held them close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna to the King!
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!
Let loud hosannas ring!

*Please rise in body or in spirit

PRELUDE *Hosannah!*

Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens
(1823-1881)

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Carl Herber

As we begin this holy week, give thanks to God,
whose steadfast love endures forever!
Make way, let the gates of righteousness be opened,
that the one who brings peace might enter in.
Wave branches, shout for joy:
Blessed is the one who comes in God's name!
Hosanna!
Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is our savior!

***HYMN 196** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy one, forgive us: You are not the savior we expect. We long for a conquering hero, but you walk in the power of solidarity, inviting us to follow. We are happy to join the crowd, waving branches, but we're not so sure we could go where you lead - to challenge exploitation; to forgive betrayal; to face hatred without fear. Forgive our false assumptions and fickle faith. Clarify our commitment to be people of peace, building beloved community for all. May your grace save and guide us in the days ahead. We open our hearts to you in silent prayer...

KYRIE 577 *Lord, Have Mercy*

KYRIE ELEISON
(Reindorf)

**Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

***GLORIA 215** *What Wondrous Love Is This*

WONDRIOUS LOVE

verse 3

**To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb who is the great I am,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
while millions join the theme, I will sing!**

***PASSING THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you...
... and also with you.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A MOMENT WITH FAITH KIDS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE READING Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

Therefore, God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

MUSIC *Give me Jesus*

Mark Hayes
(b. 1953)

GOSPEL READING Mark 11:1-11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, ‘Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, “Why are you doing this?” just say this, “The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.”’ They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, ‘What are you doing, untying the colt?’ They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

‘Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!’

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

For the wisdom we find in this ancient story,
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

People Power

Rev. Goodrich

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN 199** *Filled with Excitement*

HOSANNA

MINUTE FOR MISSION *One Hour of Sharing*

Krista Wallace

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING *If you wish to contribute online, please scan the QR code with your mobile device to be directed to Faith's online giving site.*



OFFERTORY *Hosanna, Hosanna!*

Joseph Martin
(1937-2010)

Hosanna, hosanna to the King.
Hosanna rang through the crowded streets.
Thousands came to see him, to cheer as he rode by.
Hosanna was their cry.

Jesus entered into Jerusalem; people spread their garments on the road.
O blessed is the King foretold.
The multitudes all praised him, they waved the palms in praise.

They welcomed the Messiah as he came through the gates.
Sing hosanna to the King through the crowded streets.
Hosanna to the King of glory, hosanna rang praise the King of kings.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lenten Creative Prayer Project – Holy week is a doorway from the world as it is to the world that is promised; a series of rituals that help us connect with the depth and breadth of God's

love for us. It is a pathway to greater understanding of both the power of sin and death in the world, and the power of God to bring new life. As we begin this holiest of weeks, write a prayer that is on your heart: pray for yourself, lifting up a fear or worry that weighs on you; pray for another person, place, or situation as an act of petition, contrition, or gratitude. However you pray, trust that God journeys alongside us, saying, "Do not be afraid."

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SENDING GOD'S PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 220 *Go to Dark Gethsemane*

REDHEAD 76

verse 1-3

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Epilogue on "St. Theodulph"*

Healey Willan
(1880-1968)

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Cat Dodson Goodrich, *Pastor*
Dr. Samuel Springer, *Minister of Music & Organist*
Carl Herber, *Liturgist*
The Chancel Choir
****Tory James, *Snare Drum***
Patrick Baker, *Zoom Moderator & PowerPoint*
Andy Fuller, *Audio/Camera*

Joys and Concerns: We are a community who prays with and for each other. There is a book in the narthex where you may write your joys and concerns, to be included in the Prayers of the People and shared in our weekly prayer chain email. If you would like to be added to the prayer chain email: faithchurchbalt@gmail.com.

This week we pray for:

Faith's homebound members and
those receiving long-term care.
Our partners in Cuba

Victims of gun violence
The people of Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, Sudan,
and all those who suffer from war and disaster.

WELCOME to Faith Presbyterian Church! If you are visiting with us this morning, we hope you find our worship to be meaningful - your presence enriches our community. If you are seeking a church home, we hope you will return soon so that we might get to know you better. To learn about ways to get engaged in the life of Faith, check out our website, www.faihpcbalt.org, and speak with our pastor, Rev. Cat Goodrich, cgoodrich@faihpcbalt.org.

KIDS are welcome at Faith! Our PRAYGROUND at the front of the sanctuary is for children 6 and younger during worship. There are books and quiet activities to keep hands busy so ears can listen, and it's close to the action so that our youngest members can experience the beauty of worship in a space that's just for them.

Sign up for our weekly **News & Notes** email by completing the visitor card or go to the website: faithpcbalt.org and navigate to "Contact Us."

Wednesday Bible Study 11:00 a.m. on Zoom Wednesdays - Join Cat most Wednesdays to reflect on the coming Sunday's lectionary passage. All are welcome! Meeting ID: 818 8551 6595; passcode: 716331

The Forum: Faith formation gathering for youth and adults, *Sundays, 9:15 in the Woodmont Room and on Zoom.* Meeting ID: 829 2802 1217, passcode: 551345

Join us in March as we read and reflect on Casper ter Kuile's book *The Power of Ritual: Turning Everyday Activities into Soulful Practices*. To see our everyday lives as filled with potential for spiritual practices and meaning. If you would like us to order a book for you, please email the church office at seekfaith@faithpcbalt.org.

3/24 Connecting with Transcendence

Children's Sunday School On Sunday mornings, after the Moment with Faith Kids, kids ages 4 and up are invited to explore the passage of the day with games, crafts, and other activities. They will return at the end of worship to the sanctuary.

Book Club: NEW DATE: This month we are reading *Killers of the Flower Moon - The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann. "A twisting, haunting true-life murder mystery about one of the most monstrous crimes in American History." National book award finalist and now out as a Martin Scorsese movie. Book Club will meet at Pat & Jack Nesbitt's home on **Tuesday April 2 at 7PM.**

ROPAGOFA Youth Group meets every third Sunday! Join young people from Faith, Govans, and Roland Park churches to build a durable faith through fun, games, and encountering God together. The next gathering will be on **Sunday, April 21 5:30-7pm at Roland Park Presbyterian.**

Dinner at Harford House Deacons will be providing dinner for residents of Harford House on **Thursday, March 28.** If you would like to contribute to the meal, we would like to have the following:

mashed potatoes, green beans, salad greens/dressings, desserts, sweet tea, rolls and butter
All items should be clearly marked and left in the kitchen by the morning of the 28.

This month we will also need a volunteer to take the food down to Harford House. It is very easy to get to, parking is right in front, and a resident will let you in. (You will be given his contact info.) The men look forward to this dinner so much, we really appreciate your willingness to take part! **A deacon will be in church today,** ready to take your name and which item(s) you would like to donate. Thank you for your generosity!

****Today's musician** is sponsored by donations to the **Music Fund,** thank you! If you would like to contribute to future special musician see the Easter Flowers and Funds insert in today's bulletin.

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 30

10:30 - Noon

Games & Crafts on South Lawn at 10:30am

Photos with the Bunny begin 11:00am

Egg Hunt at 11:15am



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*Rituals along
the way...*

Holy Week at Faith

PALM SUNDAY

March 24

Meet in the courtyard at **10:20** for our Palm Parade. Worship in the sanctuary at **10:45**.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

March 28

Gather with family or friends for dinner at home
(Questions to spark reflection will be provided).

Join to break bread on Zoom at **6:30**.

GOOD FRIDAY

March 29

Join us in the sanctuary at **6:00** for a solemn service of remembrance for Good Friday.
Visual art connected to the scripture will guide our shared meditation.

SATURDAY EGG HUNT

March 30

Join Faith friends and neighbors at **10:30 - 12:00** on the south lawn for games and
crafts; egg hunt in courtyard at **11:15**. Photos with the bunny starting at **11:00!**

EASTER

March 31

Congregational brunch at **10:00** in Jackson Lounge – bring a breakfast dish to share.
Worship with brass, communion, and a festive procession at **10:45**.
Come celebrate the joy of the resurrection with us!