



ST. PAUL'S
PRESBYTERIAN

For The Glory of God & The Joy of All Peoples

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

On the Lord's Day Morning
Sunday of Passion—Palm Sunday
April 13, 2025, at 10:30



To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whoever will come—this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The sounding of the bells calls us to quiet our hearts before worship.

Welcome

Introit

Hosanna to the King

Words and Music by Craig Courtney

Hosanna to the King of kings, hosanna to the Lord of lords,

Hosanna to the great I AM who reigns forever,

Reigns forevermore, who reigns forevermore.

If you will feed the hungry, give water to the thirsty and

Welcome any stranger, then you may call Him Lord.

O, brother, if you keep silent, O, sister, if you keep silent,

O, brother, if you keep silent, the rocks and stones will cry out.

† congregation standing

✠ congregation kneeling

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

† Call to Worship

From Psalm 106

Minister: Praise the LORD! Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

People: Save us, O LORD our God, and gather us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.

Minister: Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting! And let all the people say,

Unison: "Amen!" Praise the LORD!

† Hymn of Proclamation

Hymn A • Trinity Hymnal #235

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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† Prayer of Adoration

Unison: Almighty God, we praise you for the act of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord. On this day, he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King by those who spread their garments and branches of palms along his way. Let us likewise lay our lives down before him, and grant that we may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

For centuries, the singing of hymns has been a way of grounding God's people in sound doctrine. We sing our theology. Hymns give us words for expressing our praise and thanks to God. Setting these words to music helps to get the truth into our hearts.

† **Gospel Reading**

Matthew 21:1-11

Pew Bible, page 826

Minister: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: Thanks be to the Lord!

✠ **Prayer of Confession**

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 need cleansing. Have mercy on us, Son of David, Savior of sinners! Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and are, trusting you to forgive what is sinful, to heal what is broken, to lift what is fallen, to welcome our worship, and to lead us forward. Amen.

Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.

✠ **Assurance of Pardon**

From Colossians 1

Minister: Hear this good news! God has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Unison: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Confession of sin is followed by an assurance of pardon because God has promised to forgive those who humble themselves and seek his grace. "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

✠ Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Unison: Our Father 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, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

✠ Pastoral Prayer



† Psalm of Consecration

Hymn B • From the Psalter

Psalm 118

RENDEZ A DIEU

† Affirmation of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Question #26

Minister: How does Christ execute the office of a king?

People: Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

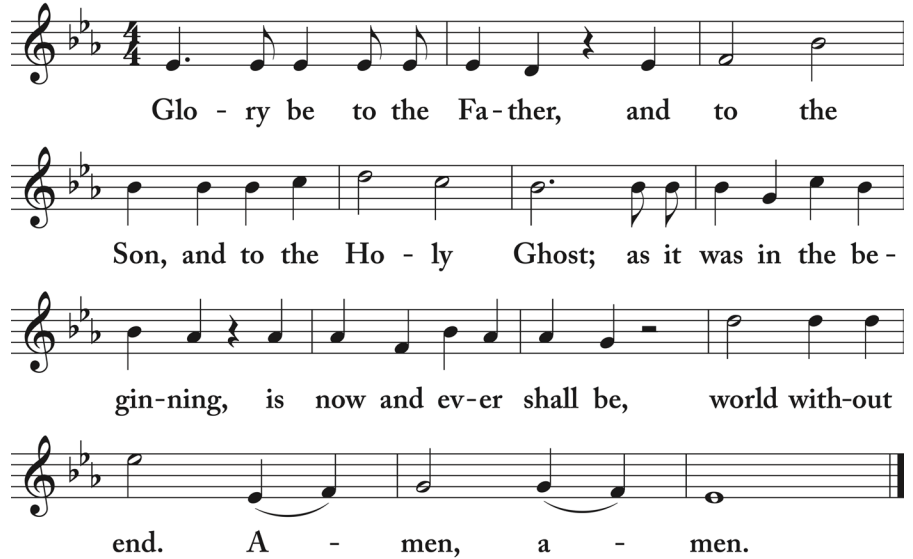
Unison: Thanks be to God!

As a part of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), St. Paul's affirms the doctrinal standards found in the Westminster Confession of Faith, as well as in the Larger and Shorter Catechisms.

Children are welcome for our entire service. Following the Gloria, a specifically designed time for children aged four through first grade is also provided. Those interested can meet at the back of the Fellowship Hall.

† Gloria #735

GREATOREX



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the
Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -
gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be, world with - out
end. A - men, a - men.

† Old Testament Lesson

Zechariah 9:9-13

Pew Bible, page 793

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. Justin Berger

HOLY WEEK:

Behold, Your King

Without the Spirit's help, we can't understand or be convinced of the truth of Scripture. In humble dependence on the work of the Holy Spirit, we ask God to give us eyes to see and ears to hear what he says to us in his written Word.

RESPONDING IN THANKS

‡ Hymn of Response

Hymn C • Trinity Hymnal #565

All for Jesus!

WYCLIFF

Giving to God & Choral Offertory

Come Unto Me

Text from Matthew 11:28-30

Music by L. Stanley Glarum

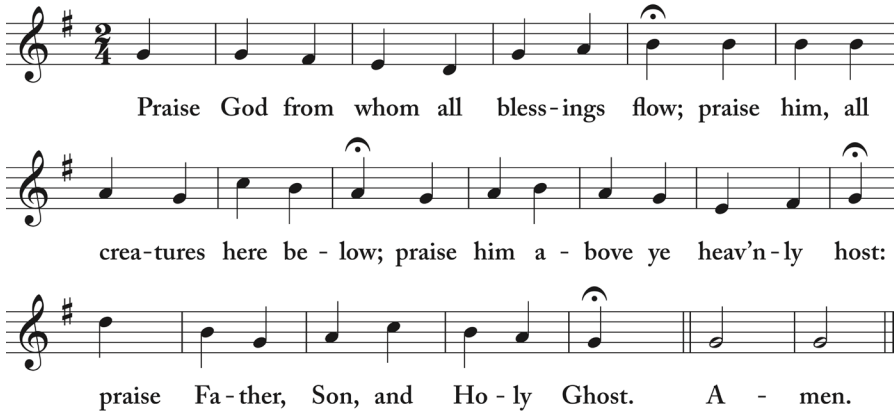
*“For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich”
(2 Corinthians 8:9).*

*Come unto me,
All ye that labor and are heavy laden,
And I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you and learn of me;
For I am meek and lowly in heart:
And ye shall find rest for your souls.*

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‡ Doxology #731

OLD HUNDREDTH



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all
crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove ye heav'n - ly host:
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

† **Prayer of Dedication**

† **Benediction**

† **Sending Forth Hymn**

My Song Is Love Unknown

Hymn D • Trinity Hymnal #182 (*Verses 3, 5, and 7*)

ST. JOHN

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

Welcome, visitors! If you are visiting St. Paul's today, we are so glad you have joined us for worship! We would love to get to know you. Email staff@stpaulsorlando.com to let us know your name, contact information, how you heard about St. Paul's, and any questions you may have. Please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastors or ushers.

Postlude

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

Please take a moment to greet those around you.

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

"Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the King of Israel!" John 12:13



1. All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King,
2. The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
3. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!
our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent:
who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King!



Thou art the King of Is - rael, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
to thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King,



who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One!
to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!



Psalm 118



1. O thank the LORD for all his good - ness: his love en - dures for -
 2. O - pen to me the gates of jus - tice; o - pen the gates of
 3. The stone the buil - ders had re - ject - ed now has be - come the
 4. Blest he who in the LORD's name en - ters; we bless you from his



ev - er - more! Let Is - r'el say in joy - ful cho - rus:
 right - eous - ness, that I may en - ter them with glad - ness
 cor - ner - stone. How mar - ve - lous to us this won - der;
 ho - ly house. The LORD is God; he shines u - pon us.



"His love en - dures for - ev - er - more!" O house of
 and show the LORD my thank - ful - ness. This is the
 this is the work of God a - lone! This is the
 Bind up with cords your sac - ri - fice. Bring to the



Aa - ron, join your voic - es: "His love en - dures for -
 gate the right - eous en - ter, the gate - way of the
 day, the LORD has made it! Be glad in it, re -
 al - tar's horns your off - 'ring. You are my God, whom

ev - er - more!" Let all who fear the LORD de -
 LORD our God. You have be - come my great sal -
 joice, and bless. Save us, we pray, O LORD! Ho -
 I a - dore. O thank the LORD for all his

clare it: "His love en - dures for - ev - er - more!"
 va - tion; you an - swered me and made me glad.
 san - na! O LORD, we pray, give us suc - cess.
 good - ness, his love en - dures for - ev - er - more.

All for Jesus!

Offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God. Rom. 12:1

1. All for Je - sus! All for Je - sus! All my be - ing's ran - somed pow'rs,
 2. Let my hands per - form his bid - ding, let my feet run in his ways;
 3. World - lings prize their gems of beau - ty, cling to gild - ed toys of dust,
 4. Since my eyes were fixed on Je - sus, I've lost sight of all be - side;
 5. O what won - der! how a - maz - ing! Je - sus, glo - rious King of kings,

all my thoughts and words and do - ings, all my days and all my hours.
 let my eyes see Je - sus on - ly, let my lips speak forth his praise.
 boast of wealth and fame and plea - sure; on - ly Je - sus will I trust.
 so en - chained my spir - it's vi - sion, look - ing at the Cru - ci - fied.
 deigns to call me his be - lov - ed, lets me rest be - neath his wings.

My Song Is Love Unknown

The Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Gal. 2:20

3. Some - times they strew his way, and his sweet prais - es sing; re -
5. They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made a - way; a
7. Here might I stay and sing, no sto - ry so div - ine; ne -

sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King. Then
mur - der - er they save, the Prince of Life they slay. Yet
ver was love, dear King, ne - ver was grief like thine. This

“Cru - ci - fy!” is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
will - ing he to suf - f’ring goes, that he his foes from thence might free.
is my Friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could glad - ly spend.

DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

Use this plan for your daily Bible reading.

- **Sunday, April 13** Proverbs 31 • 1 Timothy 2
- **Monday, April 14** Ecclesiastes 1 • 1 Timothy 3
- **Tuesday, April 15** Ecclesiastes 2 • 1 Timothy 4
- **Wednesday, April 16** Ecclesiastes 3 • 1 Timothy 5
- **Thursday, April 17** Ecclesiastes 4 • 1 Timothy 6
- **Friday, April 18** Ecclesiastes 5 • 2 Timothy 1
- **Saturday, April 19** Ecclesiastes 6 • 2 Timothy 2
- **Sunday, April 20** Ecclesiastes 7 • 2 Timothy 3

WEEKLY SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Use these questions to reflect more deeply on this week's sermon.

1. Considering various passages in Scripture where donkeys appear (see, for example, Genesis 49:11; 1 Samuel 9:3, 5, 20; 10:2, 14, 16; Job 39:5; Zechariah 9:9; Matthew 21:2, 5, 7; and John 12:14, 15), what is the significance of the donkey that Jesus rides into Jerusalem?
2. In what sense is the king described in Zechariah 9 long-expected?
3. In what sense is the manner of Jesus' kingship unexpected?
4. What does it mean to be a "prisoner of hope" (Zechariah 9:12)?
5. How does Jesus' fulfillment of Zechariah 9 in the gospel confront you and call you to repentance?
6. How does Jesus' fulfillment of Zechariah 9 in the gospel comfort you and encourage your faith?

MONTHLY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

Devote time to memorizing this passage of Scripture throughout the month.

"And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead" (Acts 10:42).

ABOUT WORSHIP

In his encounter with the woman of Samaria, Jesus explained that “God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth” (John 4:24). The reason Jesus says true worshipers must worship in this way is because God himself “is spirit.” Here we discover the simple yet profound principle that true worship is a response to God as he has personally revealed himself. Thus, conformity to God’s character is the key to true worship. “Great is the LORD,” as the psalmist puts it, “and greatly to be praised” (Psalm 48:1)! In worship, we seek to reflect this divine reality, declaring with our lips and demonstrating with our lives that God is supremely precious and therefore worthy of all glory and honor and praise.

THE SHAPE OF WORSHIP



Entering God’s Presence—We gather in response to God’s call to worship, joyfully offering praise to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. With reverence and awe, we confess our sins and receive God’s forgiveness, which is declared in Jesus’ name.



Renewing Our Faith—Worship continues with a focus on God’s Word. Our faith is renewed as we publicly confess the truth of God, join our hearts and voices in prayers and hymns of praise to God, and hear the good news of God powerfully proclaimed.



Responding in Thanks—As hearing becomes doing, we respond to the proclamation of God’s Word. Songs of praise continue to be raised and the gifts and offerings of God’s people are collected. On Communion Sundays we are invited to celebrate the Lord’s Supper. With God’s blessing upon us, we are sent into the world to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ!

Why Do We Worship in This Way?

In this section, we answer a question about worship each week.

Question: What are the colored hangings on the pulpit, and why do they change?

Answer: These hangings are called “paraments” and they change as we celebrate special occasions, especially the five great “evangelical feasts” of the church year: Christmas, Good Friday, Easter, Ascension, and Pentecost. These liturgical colors have an instructive purpose, helping us to mark time and pointing us to key events in the life of Christ and the great work of redemption that he has accomplished.

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We are delighted you have joined us for worship. Our hope is that you find our worship service glorifying to God and personally refreshing.

We would love to connect with you. Please stop by our Welcome Kiosk in the Narthex after the service so that we may greet you in person and provide you a *Welcome Bag*. To connect with us, please use the QR code below to fill out a *Connect Card*.

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Our Vision

To see the invisible kingdom of heaven made visible,
for the glory of God and the joy of all peoples.

Our Mission

To grow in grace and give away our lives
in the following seven major ministry areas:

Worship that exalts God in Christ and promotes unity in the Spirit

Discipleship that is rooted in the Scriptures and centered in the gospel

Community that is characterized by discipleship and care for one another

Local Missions that promotes the common good and evangelizes the lost

Global Missions that participates in church planting and spreading the gospel
to the ends of the earth

Children's Ministry that partners with parents to build children up in the
faith through loving care and Reformed biblical teaching

Youth Ministry that promotes maturity, joy, and identity in Christ

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