

First Presbyterian Church

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Palm/Passion Sunday

March 25, 2018

A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND HYMNS FOR PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

(In preparation for worship, please silence all mobile devices.)

WELCOME (Children gather in the narthex for the palm branches processional.)

Mindy Douglas

Minute for Mission: One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

Karolyn Mangeot

SETTING THE STAGE

Holy Week

Mindy Douglas

(poem by Ann Weems)

THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

PRELUDE Ride On, King Jesus Dennis Janzer

GOSPEL READING Mark 11:1-11 Sarah Finbow

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Hosanna to the Son of David!

People: Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Hosanna in the highest!

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 196 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Valet Will Ich Dir Geben

(Children will process behind the choir and gather at the front of the sanctuary.)

*BLESSING OF THE PALMS (in unison)

Sam Miglarese

O God, who in Jesus Christ triumphantly entered Jerusalem, heralding a week of pain and sorrow, be with us now as we follow the way of the cross. In these events of defeat and victory, you have sealed the closeness of death and resurrection, of humiliation and exaltation. We thank you for these branches that promise to become for us symbols of martyrdom and majesty. Bless them and us that their use this day may announce in our time that Christ has come and that Christ will come again. Amen! Come, Christ Jesus!

(The children are dismissed to the nursery or may join their parents in the pews. There is no Children's Choir rehearsal today.)

PROCLAMATION OF THE PASSION STORY

A FITTING ENTRANCE

Donkey Theology (Poem by Koloma Make)

Sam Henry

THE CHANGING SCENE

Lent, 1991

Cris Rivera

⁽Poem by Maren C. Tirabassi)

^{*} Those who are able, please stand.

HYMN No. 166 (verses 1.4)

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

St. Flavian

Lord, who throughout these forty days for us did fast and pray, teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.

Abide with us, till when this life of suffering shall be past, an Easter of unending joy we may attain at last.

THE BETRAYAL

Renderings

(Poem by J. Barrie Shepherd)

Mindy Douglas

(Please stand, as you are able.)

*LITANY OF CONFESSION

Leader: Judas, slave of jealousy, where are you?

People: I am here.

Leader: Peter, slave of fear, where are you?

People: I am here.

Leader; Thomas, slave of doubt, where are you?

People: I am here.

Leader: People of Jerusalem, enslaved to mob rule, where are you?

People: I am here.

Leader: Pilate, slave of expediency, where are you?

People: I am here.

Leader: The story of Christ's passion and death mirrors for us much of our own weakness and sin.

We all come here as people who have missed the mark and who are alienated from God and our

neighbors near and far. We seek God's forgiveness.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Hear the Good News: Even Judas was included in that last supper with Jesus.

People: Even when we are languishing in the depths, Christ offers his grace.

*PASSING THE PEACE

HE PEACE Mindy Douglas

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you!

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Gilbert Martin

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown? Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

(The Hunger for Change Offering will be received following the anthem.)

*Doxology (Hymn No. 209, verse 5)

Love Unknown

Here might I stay and sing, no story so divine: Never was love, dear King, never was grief like thine. This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend.

THE LAST SUPPER

The Foot Washing (Poem by G.E. Lyon) Holy Communion (Poem by Ann Weems)

Sam Henry

Torrell Armstrong

Marilyn Hedgpeth

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily.

People: Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.

Leader: Let us pray.

(Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession)

... 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.

IN THE GARDEN

Gethsemane

(Poem by Ella Wheeler Wilcox)

HYMN No. 220 (verse 1)

Go to Dark Gethsemane

Redhead 76

Go to dark Gethsemane, all who feel the tempter's power; your Redeemer's conflict see; watch with him one bitter hour; turn not from his griefs away; learn from Jesus Christ to pray.

THE TRIAL

Fair Is Fair

Torrell Armstrong

(Poem by Ann Weems)

HYMN No. 215 (verses 1,2)

What Wondrous Love Is This

Wondrous Love

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss

To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down, when I was sinking down, sinking down, When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,

Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul!

PETER'S DENIAL

The Courtyard Scene (Poem by Ann Weems)

Cris Rivera

HYMN No. 218 (verses 1,2)

Ah, Holy Jesus

Herzliehster Jesu

Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,

that we to judge thee have in hate pretended?

By foes derided, by thine own rejected, O most afflicted!

Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?

Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee.

'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee; I crucified thee.

JESUS BEFORE PILATE

Mark 15:1-15

Sam Miglarese Cherrie Henry

Again the Story Is Told (Poem by Ada Jackson)

HYMN No. 220 (verse 2)

Go to Dark Gethsemane

Redhead 76

Follow to the judgment hall; view the Lord of life arraigned; O the wormwood and the gall! O the pangs his soul sustained! Shun not suffering, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.

JESUS IS CRUCIFIED

Mark 15:20b-39

Mindy Douglas

ANTHEM

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Thomas Dorsey arr. Howard Helvey

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm, through the night Lead me on to the light, take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord linger near, When my light is almost gone; hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand, lest I fall, Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near, And the day is past and gone; at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand, Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

(Silence)

*HYMN No. 221

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Passion Chorale

*BENEDICTION

Mindy Douglas

*POSTLUDE

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Malcolm Archer

The Durham CROP Hunger Walk is today at 2:30 p.m. FPC walkers should meet at 2:00 p.m. in front of the statue at Duke Chapel for a group photo. Remember to wear your CROP Walk t-shirt.

First Presbyterian Church welcomes all who worship here. We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Christ. We welcome individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that we may better know each other, please sign the *Ritual of Friendship pad*, pass it along the center pew across to the shorter side pew, and then return it to the starting point, noting the names of those sitting near you. On Sunday, March 18, we welcomed 21 visitors to worship.

Name Tags: Church and visitor name tags are now available on Sunday mornings in the foyer (lower level, elevator alcove). If you enter the sanctuary through the narthex (rear of the sanctuary), your name tag can be picked up and dropped off there (add a yellow dot to the back of your tag to indicate this location). Remember to wear your name tag on Sunday mornings, and as you leave the sanctuary after worship, drop it in the containers provided. We encourage everyone to wear a name tag, including our visitors. Thank you for your cooperation.

The *flowers* in the sanctuary are given by *Heather Wallace and Michael Schultz* in celebration of the birth of their child *Juneau David Schultz Wallace* on January 14, 2018.

Easter Lilies will grace our sanctuary again this year on Easter Day, Sunday, April 1. If you would like to honor someone or remember someone in the worship bulletin on Easter, please fill out a lily card (available in the foyer / narthex) and return it to the church office. **TODAY** is the deadline.

Nursery care for children 3-6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. There is a changing table in the narthex, located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Worship bags and activity bulletins are available in the foyer for children. Books are on the pews in the narthex which young children can read and enjoy if they need to take a break from the worship service.

Hearing Assistance Receivers are available from the ushers. Before you leave the sanctuary, please turn off the receiver and place it in the specially marked receptacle or return to an usher.

Portions of today's worship texts were reprinted from Book of Common Worship and Glory to God.

Copies of recently transcribed sermons are available from the table in the foyer.

The *bulletin cover image* "King of Kings" is a painting by artist Mark Jennings. Retrieved March 22, 2018 from: https://pixels.com/featured/king-of-kings-mark-jennings.html

These Days devotional booklets for April – June 2018 have arrived. Regular and large print copies are available from the tables in the foyer and narthex, while supplies last.

~ OUR CONCERNS ~

We extend condolences to *Scottie Seawell and Phil, Erin, Rachel and Lauren Boyle* on the death of Scottie's mom and FPC member, *Dorothy Graham*, who died March 18. A Service of Witness to the Resurrection will be held Saturday, March 31 at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary of FPC. The family will receive friends at a reception in Watts-Hill Hall following the service.

Added this week: Anna Gerwe and her family, granddaughter of Barbara and Rod Gerwe Marsha Hussung, sister of Brent Curtis

Carsey Family Mary Clark Paul Cornsweet Julie Maxwell

Brookdale Senior Living (Durham): Julian Boswell Croasdaile Village: Bette Conroy, Bob Rankin

Croasdaile Pavilion: Bob Keever, John Kerr, Florence Shackelford

Pruitt Health at Carolina Point (Durham): Helen Garrison The Forest at Duke: Fran Bryant, Peaches McPherson

Family and Friends of Church Members and Staff:

Tom Birchfield, step-father of Wil James

Claiborne Clark, son of Arthur and Mary Clark

Marc Crawford, friend of Brianna and Ricky Bennett

Kim Cummings, father of Drew Cummings

Heath, Rebecca, and Julia Huberg, friends of Kathy Parkins and Mary Kay Robinson

Patricia Kost, grandmother of Jack Kost

Ben Johnston-Krase, pastor of Durham's Farm Church

Dell McMillian, brother-in-law of Valerie McMillian

Sue Noel, resident at Croasdaile Village and friend of Bill Hendrickson

Jonathan Pratt, son of Lanny Pratt

Vickie Tobey, niece of Mickey Velkey and cousin of Beth Brockman

Anne Turlington, aunt of Jack Kost

~ Serving Today ~

Liturgists: Sam Henry, Cris Rivera, Torrell Armstrong

Narthex Greeter: Chris Williams

After Worship Greeters: Jane Williams (rear/narthex), Gray Wilson (side/font)

Ushers: Kathy Krahenbuhl (head), Mary-Jo Keenan (flowers), Jo Bernhardt (assisting),

Jennie Alwood, Amy Dillon, El Hess



Flowering the Cross: As part of our Easter tradition, everyone is invited to bring flowers or greenery to church on Easter Sunday to decorate the cross outside the Memorial Garden. You may add your flora to the cross as you enter the glass doors on your way to worship.

The *One Great Hour of Sharing Offering* will be received on Easter Day. Your generous gifts to this offering provide relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and help empower the poor and oppressed around the world. See today's bulletin insert for more information about this PCUSA special offering. Specially marked envelopes will be available on next Sunday for this offering.

MAUNDY THURSDAY - MARCH 29

7:00 p.m. Joint Worship at Covenant Presbyterian Church

First Presbyterian, Beacon Light Missionary Baptist, and Covenant Presbyterian churches of Durham will join together for worship with holy communion and foot-washing or hand-washing at Covenant Presbyterian Church (2620 Weaver Street, Durham) to commemorate Jesus' last supper. Childcare will be provided. Supper will be available at 6:00 p.m. before worship. Joint choirs will rehearse Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at Covenant and sing during the service.

GOOD FRIDAY - MARCH 30

Stations of the Cross - 12 Noon in Downtown Durham
A spiritual pilgrimage of the Holy Week texts in Durham's downtown context,
beginning at St. Philip's Episcopal Church and ending at FPC.

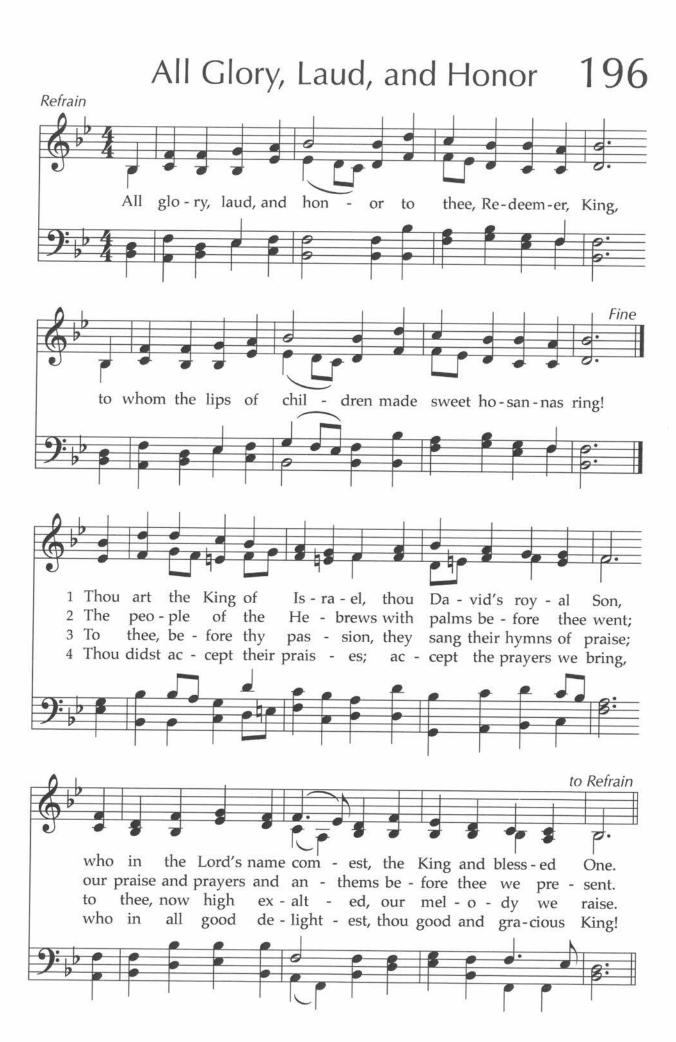
EASTER DAY - SUNDAY, APRIL 1

8:30 a.m. Prayer Service in the Memorial Garden

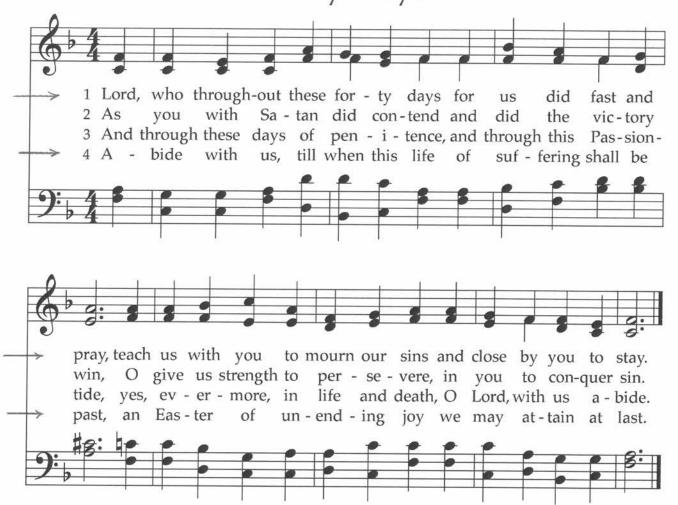
9:00 a.m. Worship and Communion in the sanctuary

10:00 a.m. Fellowship Brunch in Watts-Hill Hall

11:00 a.m. Worship and Communion in the sanctuary



Lord, Who throughout These 166 Forty Days

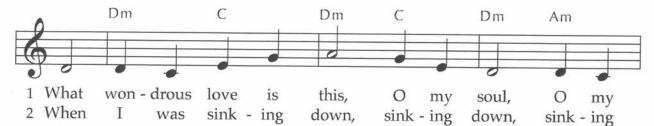


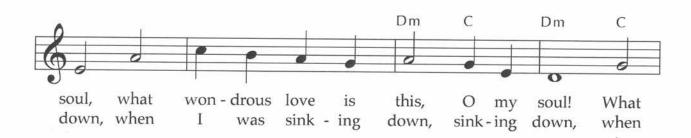


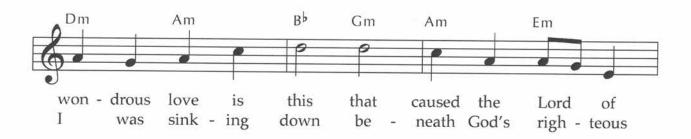
Go to Dark Gethsemane

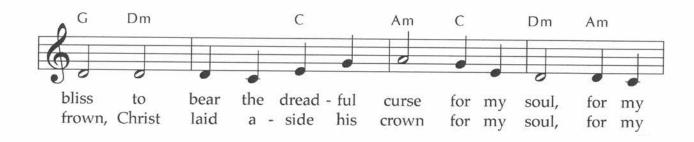


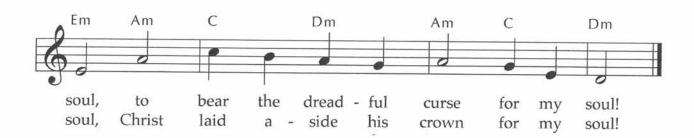
What Wondrous Love Is This 215











218

Ah, Holy Jesus



1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, 2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee?





that we to judge thee have in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord





rid - ed, by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed!

Je - sus, I it was de - nied thee; I cru - ci - fied thee.



O Sacred Head, Now Wounded 221





THE HUNGER FOR CHANGE OFFERING

Hunger has become more prevalent, particularly since the recession. First Presbyterian Church of Durham has a long history of involvement in hunger-related mission, most notably Pennies for Hunger and the Durham Crop Walk. In addition, we coordinate volunteers for the Community Kitchen at Urban Ministries of Durham, collect food for the members at Iglesia Emanuel Presbyterian Fellowship, and the Food Bank of Central and Eastern NC. Our youth sponsor the annual Souper Bowl of Caring to raise money for hunger-related missions. We also encourage giving to the One Great Hour of Sharing Hunger Offering on Easter Sunday which funds mission activities related to disaster assistance and hunger programs locally and around the world.

The funds received from our Hunger for Change Offering go to the New Hope Presbytery for the Presbyterian Hunger Relief Program and are divided as follows:

50% - International Hunger Relief Programs

40% - Local Hunger Programs

10% - Administration.

These funds are dispersed through local grants to hunger relief programs based on a grant application process. Urban Ministries of Durham, Presbyterian Urban Ministries and Iglesia Emanuel have been frequent recipients.

If your family committed to saving a **Penny**/day each month, you'd be donating about \$0.30 per month or \$3.65 for the entire year. That's not much in the face of the rising need. Save a **Nickel**/day, and you can contribute \$1.50 per month. A **Dime**/day will generate \$3.00 and a **Quarter**/a day will generate \$7.50 per month.

The fourth Sunday of each month is designated to receive the Hunger for Change Offering. Please consider supporting this hunger relief effort with a generous offering each month.



The sanctuary will be open for midday prayer during Holy Week.

Later Today

After Worship: 2:30 PM

Annual CROP Walk (meet at 2 at Duke Chapel)

5:00 PM

Robert Parkins Recital (at Duke Chapel)

5:00 PM

Retirement Celebration for Margaret Smith (at Fisher Memorial UHC)

No Evening Youth Groups

March 26

Monday of Holy Week

No Officers' Meetings

March 27

Tuesday of Holy Week

1:30 PM

Worship Planning

2:30 PM FPC Staff

March 28

Wednesday of Holy Week

5:00 PM

Bell Choir (Easter group)

5:30 - 7:00 PM

Lenten Study: Spiritual Autobiography

7:00 PM

Chancel Choir

March 29

Maundy Thursday

7:00 PM

Joint Worship with
Holy Communion and
hand/foot-washing
at Covenant
Presbyterian Church
(6:00 PM Supper and joint
choir rehearsal before
worship)

March 30

Good Friday

7:45 AM

Men of Faith at Nosh's Café

10:00 AM

Bible Study: What's Nice About Vice & Greed?

12 Noon

Stations of the Cross (begins at St. Philip's Episcopal Church and ends at FPC)

March 31

Saturday of Holy Week

10:00 AM

A Service of Witness to the Resurrection for Dorothy Graham (reception follows)

April l

Easter / Resurrection of the Lord

The One Great Hour of Sharing offering received

8:30 AM

Prayer Service (Memorial Garden)

9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion

10:00 AM

Fellowship Brunch

11:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion

No Evening Youth Groups

CHURCH STAFF

Tom Bloom, Business Administrator Robert Daye, Sexton Mindy Douglas, Pastor/Head of Staff Susan Dunlap, Parish Associate Sarah Finbow, Youth Minister



Marilyn Hedgpeth, Associate Pastor Cheryl Henry, Parish Associate Valerie McMillian, Parish Administrator Sam Miglarese, Associate Pastor Kathy Parkins, Minister of Music

For more information about First Presbyterian Church, visit our website at: https://firstpres-durham.org.

305 EAST MAIN STREET

DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA 27701 ORGANIZED 1871

919.682.5511