



**Calvary
Presbyterian
Church**

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Palm/Passion Sunday
March 28, 2021

Welcome to Calvary! In our “virtual” service, we invite you to sing, pray, and dance in whatever way the Spirit might move you this morning. You'll notice there are things printed in **BOLD** throughout the bulletin. Those are your parts. We invite you to lift your voices with us in prayer and praise.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MOMENT *Were You There?*

We use this time to center ourselves in worship.
The lighting of the candles symbolizes God's presence among us.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Who is this unlikely king?
Hosanna! His name is Jesus!
Why does he ride into the city?
Hosanna! He comes to save us!
Let us wave our palms, throw down our cloaks,
and follow Christ toward the cross.

*HYMN *All Glory, Laud and Honor*

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*Refrain: All glory, laud and honor
 To Thee, Redeemer, King!
 To whom the lips of children
 Made sweet hosannas ring.*

*1 Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest,
The King and blessèd One. (Refrain)*

*2 The people of the Hebrews
With palms before Thee went;
Our praise and prayers and anthems
Before Thee we present. (Refrain)*

*3 To Thee, before Thy passion,
They sang their hymns of praise;
To Thee, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise. (Refrain)*

*4 Thou didst accept their praises;
Accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest,
Thou good and gracious King! (Refrain)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Hosanna, we pray. Save us, Lord.
Save us from ourselves,
when we trip over pride, doubt, or fear.
Save us from the systems that keep us bound,
when we cannot see the way out.
Save us from our sins,
when we feel their weight pressing on our hearts.
Remind us, O Lord, that crowds shouting “Hosanna”
will soon be screaming “Crucify him.”
Save us we pray, O Lord,
and do not let us be among them.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(unison)*

**Gracious God, our way in the wilderness,
guide us by your Word through these forty days,
and minister to us with your Holy Spirit,
so that we may be reformed, restored, and renewed;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Mark 11:1-11

The Word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Mark 15:6-15, 33-39

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SERMON *“A Tale of Two Crowds”*

Tom Speers

A TIME OF REFLECTION *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

INTERCESSORY PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

(Feel free to pray in any version or language you like.)

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.

*1 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes Hosanna cry;
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road
With palms and scattered garments strowed.*

*2 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.*

*3 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
The wingèd squadrons of the sky
Look down with sad and wondering eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.*

*4 Ride on! ride on, in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, Thy power, and reign.*

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

POSTLUDE *Love Divine, All Love's Excelling*

Make a point of reaching out to other members of the church, and to your friends, to share the peace of Christ during this time when we must be physically apart.

The building may be closed, but the church is still active. We encourage you to send your offering to the church. You can now make gifts online.

Visit our website, or use your cell phone to scan this barcode to make a gift.



Leading the Service
The Rev. Thomas G. Speers, III, Pastor
Julie Hall Katz, Music Director
Barbara Cronin, Organist
Dick Stuhrke, Trumpeter
Deacon Jenn Swarter, Reader