

Palm/Passion Sunday

April 13th, 2025

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE *Verset* *Léon Boëllmann*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

✠CALL TO WORSHIP *from* Psalm 118

One: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever!

One: Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!

All: Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

One: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

All: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

✠HYMN OF PRAISE *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* #197

✠PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Have mercy on us, O God, for we are broken vessels. You call us to follow you, but we deny, abandon, and betray. You call us to pursue justice and righteousness, but we stick to the status quo. You invite us into the hope of your Spirit, but we make despair our daily bread. You lead us to the cross, but in our discomfort, we try to skip to the empty tomb. Transform us, O God. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon all our brokenness, that your grace may fill in the cracks and make us whole. Amen.

✠ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE *from* Philippians 2

One: Christ Jesus, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, assuming human likeness.

All: And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.

One: In Jesus Christ, exalted and given a name that is above every other name, we are forgiven.

All: This is the good news. Thanks be to God!

✠RESPONSE *Come Sing to God* #805, v. 1

✠PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Registration Pad found at the end of the row and pass it along.

MOMENT FOR MISSION – COMPASSION COALITION **Kathy Duggan**

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward for the Time for Young Disciples. Following this time, children through 1st grade are invited to Children's Church.

✠HYMN OF PREPARATION *Throned Upon the Awful Tree* ARFON

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Isaiah 53:1-9 p. 683 OT

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Blessed is He Who Comes in the Name of the Lord* *Lloyd Larson*

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 23:32-47 p. 89 NT

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THE WORD PROCLAIMED **Tim Reynolds**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory *Choral* *Flor Peeters*

✠Response *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* #606

✠Prayer of Dedication

✠AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *adapted from* The Heidelberg Catechism

Throughout his life on earth, but especially at the end of it, Jesus Christ bore in body and soul the wrath of God against the sin of the whole human race, so that by his suffering, as the only reparative sacrifice, he might redeem our body and soul from everlasting damnation, and might obtain for us God's grace, righteousness, and eternal life. [By the cross] I am assured that he took upon himself the curse which lay upon me, because the death of the cross was cursed by God.

✠HYMN OF SENDING *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* #223

✠BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

✠POSTLUDE *Christe, du Lamm Gottes* *JS Bach*

✠PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR IN SPIRIT, AS YOU ARE ABLE

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Tim Reynolds – Pastor

Sarah Morgan – Pastor

Lisa Henley – Liturgist

Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

Sarah J. Warner – Organist

2nd Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Ushers: Lauren Dodson, Doug & Leslie Matthews, Janis Smith

Technicians: Neal Henley (video); Paul Sexauer (audio)

WORSHIP

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS: We continue our sermon series on The Life of Jesus as we move through Lent. Jesus' Kingdom Mission is coming to a conclusion and from now through Easter we will be focusing on the last week of Jesus' life, as recorded in Luke's Gospel.

Apr 13	Luke 23:13-25, 33-47	The Life of Jesus: <i>Crucifixion</i>
Apr 17	Luke 22:7-38	The Life of Jesus: <i>The Last Supper</i>
Apr 20	Luke 24:1-12	The Life of Jesus: <i>Resurrection</i>
Apr 27	John 20:19-29	The Life of Jesus: <i>Appears to Disciples</i>

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK are given to the glory of God.

EASTER FLOWERS are now available to order. You may order using the order forms in the Narthex and Atrium, or order online through Realm. Lilies are \$13 each and Hydrangeas are \$26 each. The deadline to order is tomorrow.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: There will be a Celebration of Life for Amy Garcia at the Thompson Proton Center on April 19th. There will be a receiving of friends at 2:00 p.m., with the service beginning at 4:00 p.m.

PALM SUNDAY: Everyone is invited to pick up a palm as they enter the sanctuary this morning to wave during the first hymn. All children and their families are invited to come to the Narthex at the start of worship to receive palms and parade through the sanctuary during the first hymn.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE: This Thursday, April 17th, we will celebrate Maundy Thursday with our friends from Church of the Savior. The service will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER SERVICE: We will gather in the sanctuary with 7 other PCUSA congregations at 12 noon this Friday, April 18th, for a reflective and contemplative prayer service.

THE FLOWERING OF THE CROSS: Everyone is invited to take part in our annual "Flowering of the Cross" on Easter Sunday morning! Bring flowers from your yard, garden, the store, or even the side of the road with you to worship. Then on Easter Sunday morning prior to the service, come and place your flowers on the cross as you enter the sanctuary before you take your seat. Following the service (weather permitting), the flowered cross will be placed in the courtyard for all to see.

EASTER EGG HUNT: There will be an Easter Egg Hunt NEXT Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the preschool playground area for our youngest disciples. All families with young children are invited to participate.

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are excited to have you with us today and hope you feel at home! We are honored you are here and pray you will feel God's presence in this place. If you do not have a church home, we would love for you to be a part of the 2nd Pres. Please let us know a bit about you by completing a Visitor's Card or by filling out your information in the Friendship Register. Children are welcome in worship. There is a **family worship area** down front. There is also a "crying room" next door in the Library where the service is live streamed. **Children's Worship Bags** are available in the Narthex. Children ages 2 through 1st grade are invited to **Children's Church** following the children's time in worship. A **nursery is available** beginning at 9:15 for infants and children through age 2. **Hearing Devices** are available if needed.

CONNECT

FELLOWSHIP TIME: All are invited to stay for coffee, cookies, and a time of fellowship following worship each week.

FOOD & FRIENDS: On the 2nd Sunday of the month, all college students and young adults are invited to lunch at a local restaurant paid for by the church. **Our next Food and Friends is TODAY.** All who are interested in going, meet at the Baptismal font following worship.

GROW

THE FAITH, SCIENCE & THE FUTURE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS meets in the Barbour Room at 9:30 a.m. weekly. This class studies current events through the lens of faith using a weekly curriculum called *The Wired Word*. All are invited – join us!

EASTER EGGS: We are collecting Easter Eggs for our annual Easter Egg hunt! If you would like to donate, please place your filled, plastic easter eggs in the donation box in the atrium. If you have any questions, please contact Holly Grimm.

GO

FISH MISSION DONATIONS: We are currently asking you to direct your monetary gifts directly to the Fish designated fund rather than donating items. You can contribute via Realm, the church website, or by check. Monthly donations would be most helpful. FISH meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month to pack and/or deliver. If you'd like to help, contact Dick Dodson at rdodson52@gmail.com.

THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING will be received TODAY, Palm Sunday, and NEXT Sunday, Easter Sunday. Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors in need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

SUPPORT

WI-FI NETWORK: Our Wi-fi network is for use by anyone who visits the building. The network is "Second Presbyterian Church", and the password is *Psalm100*.

GIVE ONLINE: Visit us at www.2ndpres.org/give, text *2ndPresKnox* to 73256, or scan the QR code to the right.



2ND EDITION ARTICLES are due next Sunday, April 20th at 4 p.m.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, April 13th

- 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

Tuesday, April 15th

- 6:00 p.m. Session Meeting (Barbour Room)

Wednesday, April 16th

- 11:30 a.m. 2nd Readers Book Club (Buckingham Clubhouse)

Thursday, April 17th

- 5:30 p.m. Lenten Book Study (Barbour Room)
- 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service (Sanctuary)

Friday, April 18th

- 12:00 p.m. Good Friday Service (Sanctuary)

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- 9:30 a.m. Faith, Science & The Future Class (Barbour Room)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 4:00 p.m. **Deadline for 2nd Edition Articles**

PRAYER CONCERNS

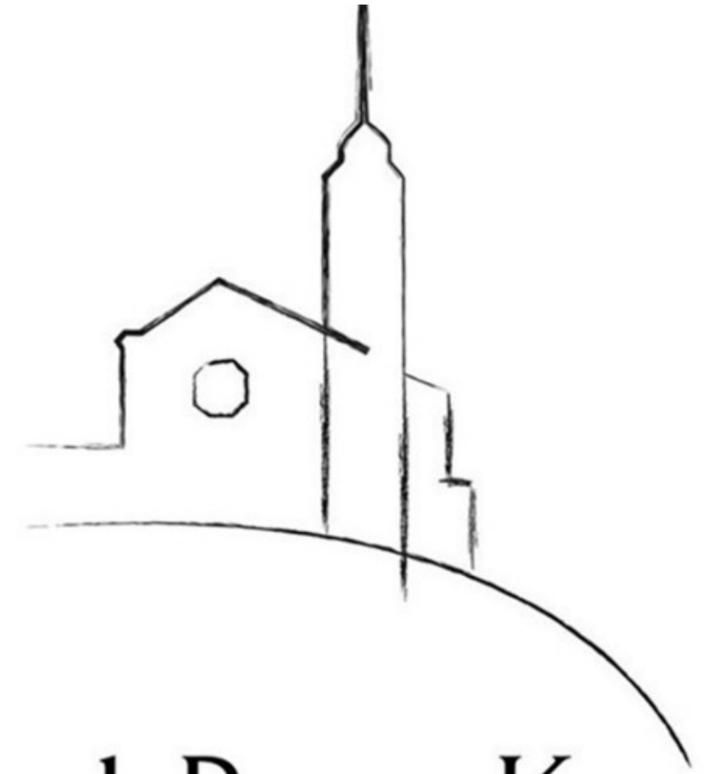
Sue Jacox, The family of Bruce Foster, Bill Roach, Jr.,
The family of Amy Garcia, Donna Downen, and Arlys Milligan

*Please notify the office if you are sick, in the hospital, or have a prayer request.
Names remain on the prayer list 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer.

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*Responding in gratitude to God's love and grace,
we are a welcoming, faithful, and hopeful community,
following Jesus and serving him in the world.*

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