



# Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, April 13, 2025

**Palm Sunday, 9:00 am**

*Please silence your cell phone.*

## GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

+WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Don Wahlig

MUSIC FOR ADORATION

"He Comes in the Name of the Lord"  
Sanctuary Choir

Bell

MINUTE FOR MISSION

SSPC Discount Cards

Scott Pepperman

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

David Gray

L: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

P: Peace in Heaven, and glory in the highest Heaven.

L: Let God's people rejoice and shout aloud!

P: Look! Our humble King comes riding on a donkey.

L: In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

ALL: Let us worship God!

+\*HYMN #197

["Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"](#)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

David Gray

God of Mercy, we confess that we do not follow the living example of love and peace that Christ gave us. We care for ourselves and ignore the needs of others. We rage at the slightest insult and imagine great vengeance on those who wrong us. We laze about in the good news of our faith and do not consider the deep commitment and sacrifice it requires of us. Forgive us, we pray, and lead us to repent. Give us new hearts to seek the ways of love and self-giving that make for true peace. In Christ's name, we pray. (Continue in Silent Reflection and Confession)

**\*KYRIE—HYMN # 551**

**“Lord, Have Mercy”**

**Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**David Gray**

**L: Friends, the mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting. Through God’s surpassing grace, we have been given new life in Jesus Christ. I declare to you that our sins are forgiven.**

**P: Thanks be to God - Hallelujah!**

**+\*RESPONSE TO PARDON #645**

**Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,**

**the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.**

**With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled:**

**To God all praise and glory.**

**+\* PASSING THE PEACE**

**David Gray**

**L: Now, as those who know God’s peace in Jesus Christ, let us share his peace with one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.**

**P: And also with you!**

## **PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD**

**TIME WITH CHILDREN**

**Rev. Lisa Chase and Elder Diane Lupia**

**Celebration of Confirmation into membership for the following SSPC youth:**

**9:00 am:**

**Kyla Grace Callahan**

**Morgan Grace Crompton**

**Brynn Delaney Hipp**

**RJ Holt**

**11:00 am:**

**Charlotte JoElle Gillis**

**Jayne Cimone Whittle**

**FIRST READING**

**Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29**

**David Gray**

**SECOND READING**

**Luke 19:28-42**

**Rev. Dr. Wahlig**

**SERMON**

**The Path of True Peace,  
Part 1: “The Power of Peace”**

**Rev. Dr. Wahlig**

**ANTHEM**

**“Train Up A Child”  
Sanctuary Choir**

**Pepper Choplin**

# RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Chase

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Rev. Chase

\*Doxology, Hymnal #606 "Doxology"

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures  
here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son,  
and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## SENDING IN THE SPIRIT

\*HYMN #215

["What Wondrous Love Is This"](#)

\*BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Wahlig

\*MUSICAL RESPONSE #541, v.1

**God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
With a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

"The Palms"

Faure

Lucy Vaughan, Organ / Erica Ickes, Piano

*\*Please rise in body and/or spirit*

*+Latecomers will be seated*

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The Richwine/Fehr family is pleased to continue supplying the palm fronds today in memory of our grandparents/great-grandparents, Bruce and Mary Tinner. The congregation extends sincere appreciation for this gift of palms.

The chancel flowers are given by Connie Spangler in honor of Shawn and Ting Spangler's 2nd wedding anniversary.

The window flowers are given by Alan Flenner in memory of Robin Flenner, who would have been 60 years old.

## **WE THANK THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR THEIR SERVICE THIS WEEK**

**Ushers:** Tom and Steven Gross **Liturgist:** David Gray

**Deacon Servers:** Jenny Bell and Charlie Dagino

**Downtown Daily Bread volunteers for April 18th:** Jim and Carol Bogar



Hearing-assist devices are located at each entrance of the Meeting House.

To assist those who for some reason must leave the sanctuary during the worship service, a video-camera link broadcasts the service to the Chapel.

## **WEEKLY SSPC ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 13, 2025**

### **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering to be received today**

The prophet implores us to see those on the margins, the hungry and afflicted, as those for whom God holds great care. And so should we. Showing our love, sharing our love, is how we repair the breach in so many of our interactions in this world. OGHS makes a difference through three programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People.

### **Our 2024-25 Confirmation Class**

Six outstanding teenagers will be confirmed during the Palm Sunday Services. They are Kyla Callahan, Morgan Crompton, Charlotte Gillis, Brynn Hipp, RJ Holt, and Jayme Whittle. From September 2024-April 2025, the youth successfully completed a comprehensive confirmation course, which included keeping a journal on the Gospel of Mark, completing 15 worship responses, giving service hours, and meeting with their mentors. Please greet them during the Palm Sunday reception in the Gathering Place or after the services. May God bless you Kyla, Morgan, Charlotte, Brynn, RJ and Jayme!

**Join us for the Fellowship Palm Sunday Reception today at 10 am** in the Gathering Place.

### **Blood Pressure Sunday**

Come to Room 201 from 10:00 to 10:45 am today to have your blood pressure checked.

### **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

#### **Maundy Thursday - April 17th**

Worship Service at 5:30 pm in the Gathering Place; Simple Supper and Communion

**Good Friday - April 18th:** Service of Tenebrae at 7:30 pm in the Meeting House

#### **Easter Sunday - April 20th**

Worship Services at 9 am and 11 am

Children's Easter Celebration at 10 am; Nursery for children 3 and under

**Easter Lilies:** To order an Easter lily, order forms are in the Gathering Place. Lilies are \$15.00 (checks only please, payable to SSPC). Please submit your order by Monday, April 14th.

**There is no Adult or preschool Sunday School class this week so that we can enjoy Palm Sunday brunch.**

### **Youth Church at 10:00 am, Room 112**

We meet, sing, study our Bible, participate in arts and crafts, earth care, and much more. This class is for children from 6 to 18. Parents/grandparents are welcome to attend.

### **Wednesday Afternoon Adult Christian Education Book Class**

We meet in the Parlor at 1:00 pm every Wednesday to study Max Lucado's book called "God Never Gives Up on You: What Jacob's Story Teaches Us About Grace, Mercy, and God's Relentless Love" Come and learn, come and discuss.

### **Young Adults Christian Education Group, the Pathfinders!**

CE and young leaders from SSPC have begun a new group for **young adults** over 18 called Pathfinders. For further information, contact Ty Headley or John Goff. This group is specifically for our young adults from 19 and older, single or married! They are leading this effort and charting their own course.

### **Youth Families Christian Education Group**

Also new in 2025, CE has begun a new effort for our **young families**. We are meeting one Sunday a month with young families for lunch and discussion. We are planning one or more events this summer featuring earth care, food, fun and fellowship built for our young families. All interested families can contact Scott Pepperman.

### **New Adult Forum coming on June 1st! CE and Earth Care.**

CE will be presenting a new Adult Forum on Sunday, June 1st, during the Sunday School hour. CE, along with the Earth Care team will present Reverend Kevin Long, of the Intertwined Ministry of Harrisburg. Rev. Long will present his ministry and the topic of Environmental Justice. This follows up on our topic last May as part of the local churches topic we presented on Environmental Justice. Seating will be limited so arrive early in Room 204 to get a spot!

### **Calling all Graduates**

Our graduates will be honored on Sunday, May 11, at both services. If you have a high school or college student graduating this year, please submit their names to the church office by May 5 to have them recognized. Please provide their name, place of graduation and future plans.

### **Vacation Bible School: Sunday, June 22—Thursday, June 26, 2025**

Plans are underway for the SSPC 2025 Vacation Bible School. VBS will be evenings only, from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm. It will include a light dinner, music, crafts, a Christian Education program, Earth Care and much more. The theme will be "Jesus Rescues" and will include stories of Jesus rescuing characters in the Bible. Watch for opportunities to help out and contact Pastor Lisa or Scott Pepperman and Drew Crompton, co-chairs of CE. We can use help with food, decorations, crafts, music, and or course teaching! VBS-YES!

### **Lenten Christmas Trees!?**

This week you will find something new in the Gathering Place and the Chapel. The SSPC Youth have placed Lenten Christmas trees in those areas. What?! We have formed the two Christmas trees, used in the Meeting House over Advent, into crosses and adorned them as Lenten crosses. Thanks to Terry Jones for his skill in helping us to put them together, and thanks to our SSPC Youth for finishing and placing them for all to see this week. We hope this will be a tradition that will continue for many, many years to come.

### **Dining Out Group - April 29**

Please join us for dinner at Fiddlers Bar & Grille at the Mayapple Golf Club on Tuesday, April 29th at 5:00 pm. You can sign up in the Gathering Place, or contact Jim Shoop at 717-761-7606. All are welcome!

### **Wine Tasting Group - May 17**

The next wine tasting event will take place on Saturday May 17 at 6:00 at the home of B.J. Lopez, 4612 Chestnut Ave., Camp Hill 17011. As usual, bring a sweet or savory dish to share and your own wine glasses, if you wish. The cost of the wine is divided among each person who has tried the wines. The cost is very reasonable and the evening is always enjoyable. Please contact Jenny Bell at belljen000@gmail.com or 717-307-5648

### **Calling all those interested in Mahjongg!**

Mahjong is a game using tiles to match hands on a card. It's a fun game that aids our cognitive function. Luck is involved so no worries about making mistakes. We will meet the second and fourth Tuesdays from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm in Rooms 202-203 beginning May 13th. May 13th, however, will be from 1:30-3:30.

If you are interested, please email me at wigginbarb@icloud.com. Please let me know if you are a beginner, a veteran, or a veteran with tiles. I might have to keep a waiting list as the numbers we can accommodate depend on the number of folks with tiles. We will also need card tables. I anticipate that the group will grow after folks learn the game. Questions? Please call me (Barb Wiggin) on my cell, 973-214-1394.

## **CORE Youth**

CORE is meeting today at 6:00 PM. We will explore our faith with a Christian Education message and working on two service projects, to include stuffing Easter Eggs for our upcoming Sunday School Easter Egg hunt, and our newest ministry, the Storyboard. It will be a great time as we play new games, learning new skills and share fellowship.

CORE meets on Sundays from 6-8 pm and is open to all youth from sixth to twelfth grade. CORE is about fellowship, service and Christian Education. Come and join us this!

## **Tinner-Fehr Scholarship**

The Tinner/Fehr families offer SSPC students a wonderful opportunity. Applicants for this scholarship must be current, active members of SSPC and either a high school senior or college student committed to a career in human healthcare and/or a human healthcare-related field of study. To apply, write a short essay that includes, but is not limited to, listing the colleges to which they are applying, chosen major, career goal, and explain how SSPC has influenced their lives and future career choices. Submit your essay to the Deacon Moderator (Shawn Marshall) or to the church office by May 15th.

## **Earth Care - Used Battery Collection:**

We are NOT collecting any LITHIUM batteries. These batteries are a potential fire hazard. DO NOT THROW THESE BATTERIES IN THE TRASH. Take these batteries to a Waste Management facility or call Batteries Plus for disposal information. The church will take 9 volt batteries if the ends are taped and placed in a sealed plastic bag.

**New Hope Ministries:** Needs this month include: Pancake mix, pancake syrup, and dish detergent. Please place items in the bins located outside the Chapel. Thank you so much for your help to this local ministry!

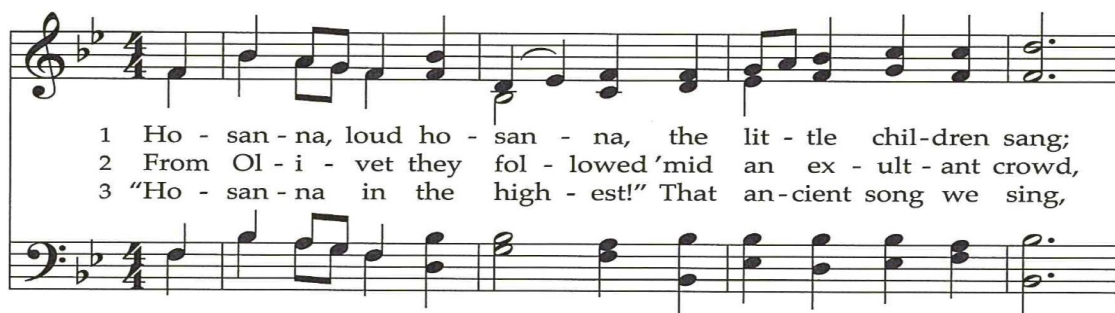
**Prayers of healing and comfort:** Bob Buyers, Chuck Eichelberger, Peggy Strong (Pastor Lisa's mom), Mike Evans, Forrest Adams, Nancy Thomas, Rich and Chris Sebring, Tom Gross, Pat Langdon, Margaret Glockner, Elizabeth Bentzel, Debbie Bitting, Betsy Eichelberger, Ron Kutz

**Prayers of sympathy:** Matt, Tracy and Nathan Wieseman; Lois DeHart and family; Carol Barstow and Susan Bruner on the death of Carol's sister

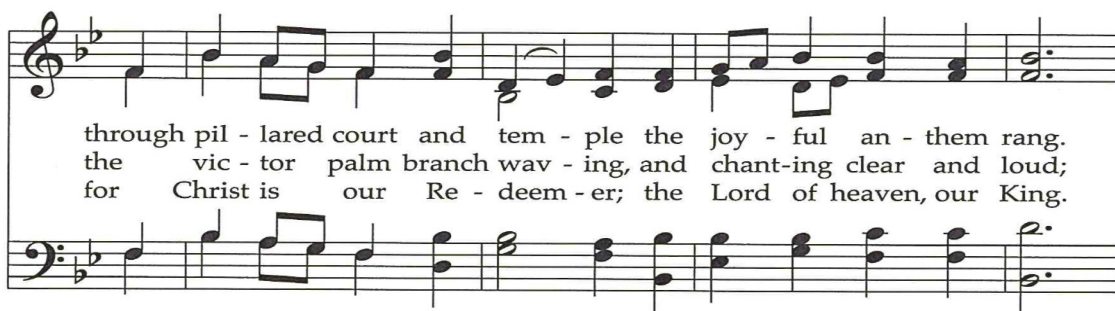
## **Prayers for our military members:**

Olivia Chase, Justin Ledvina, Josiah Scandle, Wyatt La Pointe

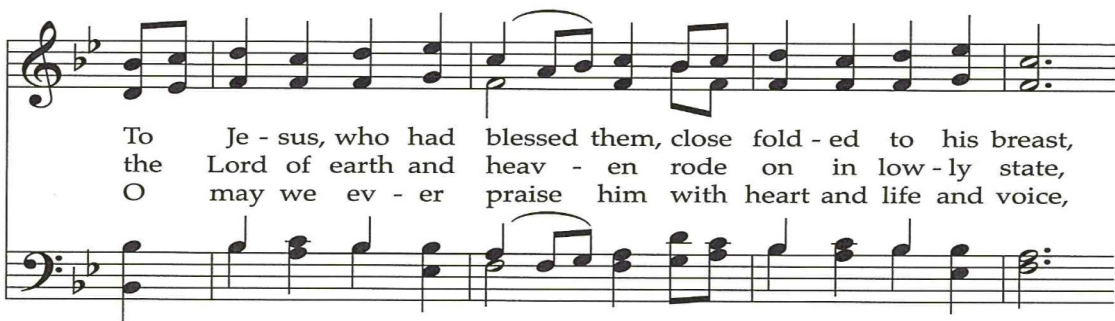
## Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



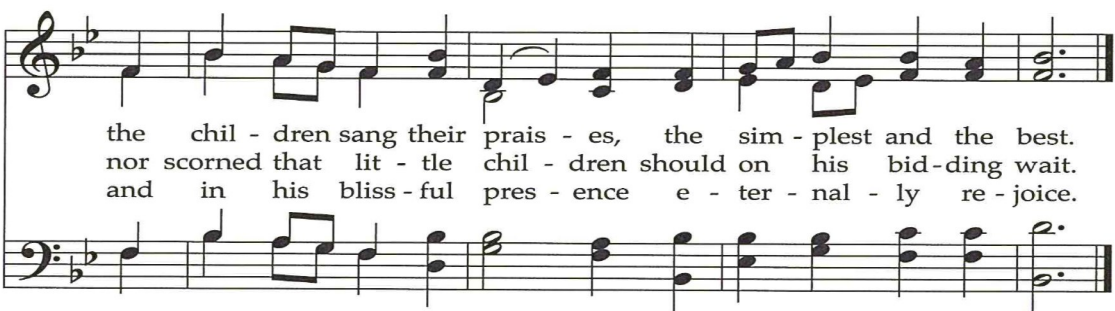
1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;  
 2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed 'mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,  
 3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,



through pil - lared court and tem - ple the joy - ful an - them rang.  
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud;  
 for Christ is our Re - deem - er; the Lord of heaven, our King.



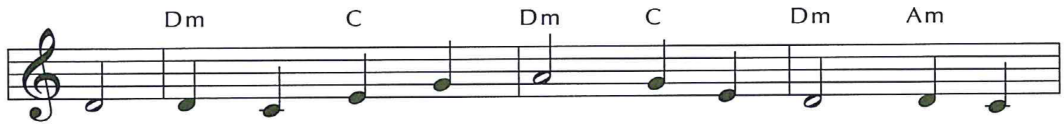
To Je - sus, who had blessed them, close fold - ed to his breast,  
 the Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,  
 O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,



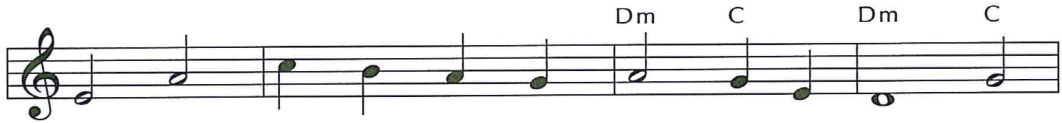
the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.  
 nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.  
 and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.



# What Wondrous Love Is This 215



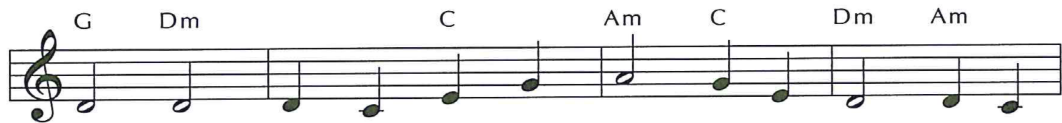
1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my  
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing  
 3 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will  
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, what won - drous love is this, O my soul! What  
 down, when I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when  
 sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to  
 on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and



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 I was sink - ing down be - neath God's righ - teous  
 God and to the Lamb who is the great I  
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful



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## ATTENDANCE

### March 30

9 am Traditional—114    YouTube— 68

11 am Gathering—58    YouTube— 47

Sunday School—18

### April 6

9 am Traditional—110    YouTube— 69

11 am Gathering—47    YouTube— 22

Sunday School—18

## CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Donald B. Wahlig

Rev. Lisa S. Chase

Dr. Kyle J. Weary

Tracy Wieseman

Erica Ickes

Ryan Edwards

Emily Cocores

Diane G. Rabold

Priscilla Biller

John Clegg

Senior Pastor/Head of Staff

Associate Pastor

Director of Music

Music Associate

Organist

Worship Tech Specialist

Preschool Director

Business Manager

Office Manager

Sexton

*We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.*

**Our Mission** is to love and praise God, love and nurture our church family, and love and serve our neighbors,

**through** worship, prayer, fellowship, education, hands-on work, financial support and compassionate care,

**in order to** follow Jesus and make known the Kingdom of Heaven.

**Our Vision** is to be a grace-filled family of faith sharing Christ's love with all.

### **Our Values:**

**Glorify God:** Glorify and praise God through discipling, sharing faith and serving with love

**Show Compassion:** Compassion expressed as care and concern for all

**Share Hospitality:** Inclusive hospitality through welcome, acceptance and fellowship

**Nurture Relationships:** Nurture relationships through respect, support and communication

**Steward God's gifts:** Faithful stewardship of all God's gifts

**Soli Deo Gloria**



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