

Tryon Presbyterian Church

March 29, 2026 - 10:30 am

Palm Sunday

To be and make disciples of Jesus Christ, who love God and their neighbor.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD OF GOD

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND LOVE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE Beth Child, piano and Buddy Deshler, trumpet
"All Glory, Laud, and Honor" LLANFAIR, arr. Dallas Blair

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Lynnette Sills

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP Children's Choir
"Blessed is He" Vivian Hare and Katie Houts
(Lee Lindsay, Joanne Alderman, Deanna Bancroft - handbells)
(Margaret Clark - piano, Sandy and Hank Sibley - percussion)

†CALL TO WORSHIP

What will we lay down as Christ passes by?

**We have no cloaks today, but we will lay down
our hearts, our hopes, and our lives.**

As the crowds in Jerusalem cried out long ago, we echo,

**Hosanna! Save us! Blessed is the One
who comes in the name of the Lord!**

†HYMN Hymnal Number 196
"All Glory, Laud, and Honor" Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN
Palm Processional

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Christ our Redeemer, try as we might, we do not follow your example.
We do not empty ourselves, we do not humble ourselves, we are not
obedient. You simply ask us to care about this world you created, but
we fail to do even that. Forgive us. You have given us the greatest,
clearest example of love. Heal us, and help us to follow.**

Silent prayers and personal confession

Through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

†RESPONSE

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Hymnal Number 197

Tune: ELLACOMBE

“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer; the Lord of heaven, our King.
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice;
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Amy McGrath

Children may be dismissed to Children’s Church.

RECOGNITION AND THANKSGIVING

Dr. Allan Purtill

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Charlie Fisher

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 21:1-11 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, New Testament page 23

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

“Hosanna to the King”

Chancel Choir

Dan Forrest

(Beth Child, piano and Buddy Deshler, trumpet)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Dr. Allan Purtill

John 19:29-30 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, New Testament page 114

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SERMON

“Processing the Palms”

Dr. Allan Purtill

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen. - *The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version*

PRAYER 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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Meditation on the Cross"

Chancel Choir
Paul Fey

†DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymnal Number 606
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

Hymnal Number 216
Tune: ST. CHRISTOPHER

SENDING OF THE CHURCH

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Dr. Allan Purtill

†CARRYING CHRIST'S LIGHT AND LOVE INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

"Postlude for Palm Sunday"

Jane Wilson
Lorraine Forsdick

Welcome!

We extend a sincere welcome to everyone who is visiting with us this morning. If you haven't done so, please be sure to pick up a welcome packet from one of the ushers this morning. If you are interested in learning more about Tryon Presbyterian or church membership, contact Rev. Dr. Allan Purtill. We hope that you will find the warmth and love of God in worship today.

Ministry for Children

We welcome all children and infants in worship - they are at home in God's house! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it! We do have nursery care available for children ages 0-2 in "The Manger". Following the "Time with Children", children ages 3-7 are welcome to remain in worship or attend Children's Church in "The Ark". For all other children and youth, we have worship bags available in the Narthex.

Music Notes

We welcome our Children's Choir "*The Joy Singers*" to worship this morning! Members of the choir are; Luna Baughman, Lucy Guerrerno, Kensie Guerrerno, Aubrey Hazelwood, Arzi Ishwar, Shealyn Macaluso, Sullivan Meissner, Viola Meissner, Sylvia Meissner, Elizabeth Peek and Analise Yoder.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Community Maundy Thursday Service

Tryon Presbyterian Church
Thursday, April 2nd at 7:00 pm

Stations of the Cross - Friday, April 3rd

Sanctuary will be open: noon - 3pm
A guided meditation with Rev. Lynnette Sills

Community Easter Sunrise Service

TFAC Amphitheater - 34 Melrose Avenue
Sunday, April 5th at 6:45 am
Breakfast following service at Tryon Baptist

Easter Communion Service

Sunday, April 5th at 10:30 am

Men's Bible & Breakfast

All gentlemen are welcome to join us Thursday, April 2nd at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall for our monthly Men's Bible & Breakfast. Come enjoy good food, fellowship and most importantly our devotional by Rev. Mike Carruth. See you there!

Blessing Box

Throughout the month of April, the Missions Committee is collecting much-needed non-food essentials for the Blessing Box in the Narthex. Items especially needed include: toilet paper and tissues, paper towels, dish soap and laundry detergent, all-purpose cleaners and disinfectants, and personal hygiene products.

Every donation makes a difference in the lives of local families. Thank you for helping us support our neighbors in need with dignity and care.

Together in Prayer

In May, we will begin a new ministry to, "carry each other's burdens," by offering an opportunity for intercessory prayer after the church service. Please give prayerful consideration to being a member of one of the prayer teams. You may select your prayer team partner, or one will be assigned to you. Your commitment will be to serve one or two Sundays each month.

For those called to this ministry, we will have a light lunch and time of training and discussion on Sunday, April 26th, following the church service.

For more information, please contact:

Susan Speight, 803-429-6242, scspeight@windstream.net or,
Parish Associate, Lynnette Sills, lrj.sills52@gmail.com.

New Books For TPC Library

Our 2026 selection has arrived and is on display. It includes best sellers and a Pulitzer Prize winner. Please stop by our library to browse and check out some great books. We are located in the Education Building past the Fellowship Hall.

Carolyn Thompson, TPC Librarian

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, March 29

Palm Sunday

9:30 am Lent Study - JCR

10:30 am Worship - S

11:45 am Palm Sunday Brunch - FH

Monday, March 30

3:30 pm Co Team Meeting - JCR

5:30 pm AA Meeting - CR

Tuesday, March 31

12:00 pm Staff Meeting - JCR

4:15 pm Children's Choir - CR

Wednesday, April 1

3:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - CR

6:00 pm Girl Scouts - EB

Thursday, April 2

8:00 am Men's Bible & Breakfast - FH

7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service - S

Friday, April 3

12-3pm Stations of the Cross - S

Saturday, April 4

Sunday, April 5

Resurrection of the Lord Sunday

10:30 am Worship - S

S=Sanctuary; **FH**=Fellowship Hall; **EB**=Educational Building; **JCR**=Jones Conference Room; **CR**=Choir Room; **PS**=Pastor's Study; **TE**=Tryon Estates; **WO**=White Oak

We Remember in Prayer...

MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

Joanne Alderman
Doris Clark
Donna Croft
Donald Hawthorne
Judy Warden
Betsy Zeek

TRYON ESTATES MEDICAL - COLUMBUS

Mimi Child
Margaret Covington
Camilla Dick

LAURELWOODS - COLUMBUS

Lila Corpening

CARE OF LAKEWOOD

Esther Taylor

RESTORATION AT WESTGATE

Betty Brewer

FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH

Holly Muir
(*Gail Muir's daughter*)

...our church family and staff

...our partner school, Sunny View
Elementary School

THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Sgt. Seth Walker
(*Terri Hendrix's nephew*)

If you would like the church to pray about an illness, surgery, or need pastoral and congregational care support, let us know by calling the church office at (828) 859-6683.

Daily Bible Readings For This Week

S	03-29	Isa. 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Phil. 2:5-11; Matt. 27:11-54
M	03-30	Isa. 42:1-9; Ps. 36:5-11; Heb. 9:11-15; John 12:1-11
T	03-31	Isa. 49:1-7; Ps. 71:1-14; 1 Cor. 1:18-31; John 12:20-36
W	04-01	Isa. 50:4-9a; Ps. 70; Heb. 12:1-3; John 13:21-32
T	04-02	Ex. 12:1-10, Ps. 116:1-2; 1 Cor. 11:23-26; John 13:1-17
F	04-03	Isa. 52:13-53:12, Ps. 22; Heb. 4:14-16; John 18:1-19
S	04-04	Jonah 1:1-2:1; Ps. 98; Rom. 6:3-11; John 20:1-18

April Birthdays

1st - Marilyn LeFeber
2nd - Bruce Hunt
3rd - Jim McCallister
10th - Charlie Fisher
11th - Carolyn Bender
11th - Richard McKee
12th - Bobby Silvers
13th - Robert Conrad
16th - Russell Alderman
16th - Jon McGrath
18th - Bill Sullivan
19th - Suzanne Hunt
20th - Gregg Lynch
20th - Ed Spencer
21st - Cherie Brooks
26th - Gloria Underwood
28th - Susan Woodcock
30th - Ellie Graber

April Anniversaries

2nd - Duane & Mary Bateman

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