



Passion
Sunday

Welcome to Worship on the Lord's Day
Palm/Passion Sunday
March 24, 2024

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

BRINGING GOD'S LIGHT INTO THE CHURCH

RINGING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Sykes

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Mary Ann Wright

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Humble and riding on a donkey,

People: we greet you;

Leader: Acclaimed by crowds and caroled by children,

People: we cheer you;

Leader: moving from the peace of the countryside to the corridors of power,

People: we salute you, Christ Jesus, our King.

Leader: You are giving the beast of burden

People: a new dignity;

Leader: you are giving majesty

People: a new face

Leader: you are giving those who long for redemption

People: a new song to sing.

Leader: With them, with heart and voice, we shout:

People: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Leader: Let us worship God.

*HYMN

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

#89 (Blue)

CALL TO CONFESSION (Psalm 96:11-13)

“Let the heavens exult and the earth be glad;
let the sea resound and all that fills it.
Let the fields rejoice and all that is in them;
let all the trees of the forest shout for joy
before the Lord, for he is coming,
coming to judge the earth.
He will judge the world with justice
and the nations with equity.”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

By God’s great mercy, through Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS The Gloria Patri

#579 (Blue)

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SHARING FAITH WITH OUR CHILDREN

Pastor Bob Bardin

WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

A Reading of the Passion of Jesus

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| 1. The Last Supper | Mark 14:12-26 | Kitsie Jones |
| 2. Jesus Predicts Peter’s Denial | Mark 14:27-31 | Ann Kennedy |
| 3. Jesus Prays in Gethsemane | Mark 14:32-42 | John Sykes |

ANTHEM	The Garden	L. Shackley
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There in the garden, Christ kneels to pray, His heart is heavy, facing the day.
While friends lie sleeping, He prays alone in the garden.
Now through the darkness a voice is heard, the sound of weeping, a whispered word.
God’s Son is praying, “Thy will be done,” in the garden.
There is so much at stake, for the weight of the world rests on shoulders that will soon bear
a cross.
And His own painful loss is the price that will purchase our pardon.
All the forces of hate, and the swords of the soldiers cannot quench the great love in His
heart.
So He stays there apart, and He offers His life in the garden.
The noise of soldiers, a lantern’s blaze, His friends desert Him, a kiss betrays — for our
salvation.
He’s led away from the garden.

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| 4. Jesus Is Betrayed and Arrested | Mark 14:43-52 | Frances Sykes |
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| 7. Jesus' Trial Before Pilate | Mark 15:1-15 | Sue Neil Godwin |
| 8. The Soldiers Mock Jesus | Mark 15:16-20 | Sherry Smith |
| 9. The Crucifixion of Jesus | Mark 15:21-32 | Alice Adams |
| 10. The Death of Jesus | Mark 15:33-41 | Lisa Dismore |

*HYMN	What Wondrous Love is This	#85 (Blue)
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| 11. The Burial of Jesus | Mark 15:42-47 | Faye Porter |
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SILENT MEDITATION

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

INVITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER OF SENDING

*HYMN	When I Survey the Wondrous Cross	#101 (Blue)
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***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles' Creed

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 at 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.

SENT TO SERVE AS GOD'S PEOPLE

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

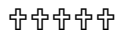
Go Now in Peace

D. Besig & N. Price

Go now in peace.
Never be afraid
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen

***POSTLUDE**

*(*Please stand as you are able)*



This Week's Activities

Today	11:00 am	Palm/Passion Sunday Worship
	1:00 pm	Session Meeting
Monday	3:45 pm	Senior Fitness
Tuesday	10:00 am	Bible Study
	11:00 am	Workbook of Living Prayer Study
	6:00 pm	Cub Scout Pack 34
Wednesday	6:45 am	Men's Group
	5:30 pm	Workbook of Living Prayer Study
	6:30 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Service
Friday	7:00 pm	Tenebrae Service
Sunday	10:00 am	Adult & Children's Sunday School
	11:00 am	Easter Worship Service

Join us for the **Maundy Thursday Service** at 7 pm and the **Tenebrae Service** on Friday also at 7 pm. We celebrate the **Resurrection** on **Easter Sunday** at 11 am. (a nursery will be provided) We will have poms available for placement on the flower cross before the service on Easter or you may bring flowers from your home garden.

One Great Hour of Sharing (offering taken today and next Sunday, March 31)

Syria: a place of humanitarian and economic crisis as well as ongoing hostilities. I am Bernadette. My husband and I work and our son is in his final year of school. We also support my brother who has diabetes and is an amputee. My apartment has been assessed by engineers and retrofitted so it is safe thanks to your offering. I have been helped! I offer my prayers and thanks to all who have stood by us and given generously to OGHS through the Presbyterian Church (USA).

Two Cents a Meal Offering collected: Feb. \$201.01 March \$102.45

Worship Attendance on March 17—69.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Concerns

- Betty Lou Kornegay-shoulder surgery
- Wimberly Raynor, (Sue Godwin's daughter-in-law, thyroid surgery)

Ongoing Concerns

(names listed for 2 months)

- Jean Honeycutt, (friend/neighbor of Ann Kennedy, cancer/chemo/surgery)
- Brenda Hicks, (friend of Charlotte Price, leukemia)
- Rudy Hooks- UTI and heart issues
- Maxine Summerlin- fainting episodes
- Brenda Schroeder- AFib
- Vanessa, (kindergarten student, brain tumor)
- Donna Williams, (Jimmy Bayles' sister, liver and bone cancer)

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the families of:

(names listed for 2 months)

- John Braxton, Lynn Coates' brother-in-law
- Dr. Hervy Kornegay
- Ralph Hollingsworth

Homebound/Nursing Facilities

- Edna Colson
- Bobbie Coley
- Vennie Jordan
- Robbie McSwain
- Rudy Hooks

Please call or email the church office with your prayer concern. Church members and their family will be included in the worship bulletin for the durations listed above. Please let us know as prayers are answered, so we can celebrate with you; or as needs change, so we know how best to pray with and for you. If you have a confidential concern, please contact Pastor Bob.