



***"Come, follow me," Jesus said.
Matthew 4:19***

First Presbyterian Church

Hartsville, South Carolina

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

March 24, 2024 - 10:00 AM

Palm Sunday – Follow to Lead

“FPC is a body of Christ-followers compelled by God’s love to strengthen all of God’s community through the way we worship, serve, and live.”

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Ashley L. Cheek

GATHERING HYMN

Hosanna!

O’Brien

Chancel Choir; Penny Rogers, flute
Please sing refrain when invited.

HOSANNA!

Francis Patrick O’Brien

Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho -

san - na in the high-est! Ho - san - na, Ho -

san - na, Ho - san - na in the high-est!

PROCESSIONAL PRELUDE

Kyle Henderson, bagpipes; Cherubs, Choristers

GENEVAN 118

CHORAL INTROIT

Jesus, We Are Here
Cherubs, Choristers

Matsikenyiri

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Kevin Norwood

Jesus is coming, riding on a donkey!

From the mountainside, from the seaside,

From the homes of the rich and the company of the poor,

From the bedside of those who are sick,

Jesus is coming, riding on a donkey!

Along dusty roads, with a ragged band of travelers,

Jesus comes to Jerusalem, Jesus comes to worship.

Will we greet him with Hosannas?

†HYMN 196

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Ashley L. Cheek

On this day, O God, we gather with the children who lead the crowd into Jerusalem that first Palm Sunday;

And we consort with the scribes and leaders who condemn Jesus.

We work with the disciples to prepare the way,

And we linger with those who do not understand.

We follow the crowd, shouting, "Hosanna,"

The same crowd who will say all the louder, "Crucify him!"

We celebrate the Son of David,

And we confess we do not follow him to the end. Forgive us, Lord, when we deny you, when we fail to love as you loved or to serve as you served. As we find ourselves in your story this week, reveal the grace you share all the way, even on the cross, Amen.

†ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Brothers and sisters, hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us! (Romans 8:34) Friends, believe the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Ashley L. Cheek

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

An Expression of Joy
Chancel Ringers

Behnke

†DOXOLOGY 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Carley Norwood

WE HEAR AND RESPOND

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Ashley L. Cheek

FIRST READING

Mark 11:1-11

Sadie Norwood, p.47

ANTHEM

Sanctus
Chancel Choir

Fargason

SECOND READING

Luke 10:25-37

Rev. Ashley L. Cheek, p.71

MESSAGE

Get off the Donkey

†HYMN 197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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.

†HYMN 826

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

†BENEDICTION

Rev. Ashley L. Cheek

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

IF YOU ARE VISITING WITH US TODAY, WELCOME to the worship of Jesus Christ at First Presbyterian Church! **Please fill out a card in the pew rack and leave it in the offering plate. *If you would like more information about us or about joining our church family, please speak with Rev. Ashley L. Cheek or contact the church office.***

There is a nursery available for those who are in need, and the service is also streamed live in the conference room should you need to step out.

The Lenten Luncheon service this week will be at St. Luke UMC. Rev. Ashley L. Cheek will be the guest preacher.

Maundy Thursday service will be at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary. We hope you will join us for this very special service.

The Easter Egg hunt will be on Saturday, March 30, at the MFH beginning at 11:00am.

Easter Breakfast will be at 9:00am next Sunday morning, March 31, in the breezeway by the Prayer Garden.

Last Chance to turn in your memorial gifts is tomorrow – Monday, March 25th!

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

ELDERS/USHERS

ACOLYTE

AUDIO-VISUAL

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

Meghan Godwin, Stephen Jones

Fitz Ingalls

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Easter Memorials and Honorariums

Remember our friends and loved ones on Easter morning with a memorial or honorarium. Donors will be listed on a special insert to be placed in the church bulletin on Easter Sunday. Please complete the below form, make your check payable to First Presbyterian Church and denote that it is for Easter Gifts. Suggested donation is \$10 per memorial/honorarium. Bring or mail your form to the church office. Payment is due when form is submitted. Thank you!

(Please return by Monday, March 25)

Please Print

Donor's Name:

Phone:

IN MEMORY OF:

IN HONOR OF:
