

**NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
*Welcome to Christ's Service of Worship for the Lord's Day*

*April 10, 2022*  
*Palm Sunday*

***WE WELCOME YOU TO WORSHIP! You are special, because God brought you here today. Together we celebrate and rejoice in God's blessings in our lives!***

**GATHER JOYFULLY**

THE PRELUDE

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR PRAYER AND PREPARATION

Psalm 118:1-2. 19-29; Luke 19:28-40

(Congregants are encouraged to read and reflect upon these passages as they prepare for worship.)

BUILDING THE BODY OF CHRIST

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 196      *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Minister: Blessed is the one who comes  
in the name of the Lord!

**Congregants: Hosanna in the highest!**

Minister: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

**Congregants: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!**

Minister: Lo, your King comes to you.

**Congregants: Triumphant and victorious is he,  
riding on a colt, the foal of a donkey.**

Minister: Let us worship our God.

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND CONFESSION (unison)

**We praise You, O God,  
for Your redemption of the world through Jesus Christ,  
who entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph  
and was proclaimed Messiah and King**

**by those spreading branches along his way.  
Let these branches be signs of his victory,  
and grant that we who sing Hosanna  
may follow him in the way of the cross,  
so that dying to self and rising with him,  
forgiven of our sin and brokenness,  
we may enter into Your Kingdom.  
Hear these our silent prayers.**

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*RESPONSE HYMN 197      *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* (Verse 1)

Hosanna, loud hosanna,  
the little children sang;  
through pillared court and temple  
the joyful anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them,  
close folded to his breast,  
the children sang their praises,  
the simplest and the best.

## **GROW SPIRITUALLY**

THE FIRST READING OF GOD'S WORD    *Philippians 2:5-11*

<sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, <sup>8</sup> he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.**

ANTHEM

*The Palms*

John-Baptiste Faure

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE SECOND READING OF GOD'S WORD Matthew 21:1-7

<sup>1</sup>When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, <sup>5</sup> 'Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.' <sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; <sup>7</sup>they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them.

THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON

*HOLY WEEK REFLECTIONS*

Russ Merritt

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 200 *A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd*

\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* (Unison)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, 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 is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**GO FAITHFULLY**

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION 198 *Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!*

THE BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

OUR SERVICE

\*Indicates the People Standing

**Thought for the Month:**

**Lord you have made many things; with your wisdom you made them all. The earth is full of your riches. Psalm 104:24**

**Earth Care:**

**Carry a reusable bag to the grocery store and retail store or ask for a paper bag and buy orange juice and other drinks in a carton rather than a plastic bottle.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Thank you for the care and support that you have shown the Brammer family over these last few days and months. So thankful to be a part of this Church Family.

Marie Haines would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, and expressions of love following her hip replacement surgery. I hope to be back in the sanctuary on Easter Sunday

Circle1 meets Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at the Church.

OUR ANNUAL MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE will be held April 14 at 7:00 p.m., and will include the "stripping of the church" ceremony, as well as the celebration of Holy Communion. This is always a special worship experience, so we encourage you to make plans to join us that evening.

Our Annual Easter egg hunt is Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated in our Easter worship service. Please be in prayer and spiritual preparation as we gather to celebrate our Lord's resurrection.

Northminster delivered 16 bags of food and one cash donation to the Presbyterian Center. Thanks to everyone who contributed to the Hunger Buster!

We are in need of individually wrapped candy for the annual Easter egg hunt. If you can donate candy please leave it in the church office by April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Our church has sent \$500 to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance fund. This money will provide assistance to those Ukrainians who are fleeing to neighboring countries. Initial assistance being provided includes shelter, food, clothing, blankets, baby food and diapers, other hygiene supplies, flashlights and candles, generators and fuel. If you would like to add money to this fund, please make your check to Northminster and add DR000156-Ukraine on the "for line".

It's that time of year when you start thinking of putting away your "cold weather" clothes and getting out your "warm weather" clothes. If you have coats that you may be replacing next year or any children's winter clothing, please consider donating it to Blue Ridge Literacy. You can leave them in the narthex.

**JUST A REMINDER:** there are boxes in the narthex to recycle your bulletins.

## Calendar

Today	10:00 – 10:45 am 11:00 am	Sunday School Morning Worship
Tuesday	10:00 am	Circle 1
Thursday	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Service / Communion
Saturday	11:00 am	Easter egg hunt
Next Sunday	10:00 – 10:45 am 11:00 am	Sunday School Easter Service / Communion

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Ministers...Members of Northminster

If you or someone you know should be included in the list of those needing special prayer, please contact the Pastor. If prayers have been answered and we can celebrate God's goodness by removing your name from the list, let the Pastor know.

**Let us keep those listed below in our prayers.**

**Members**

Ann Bailey	Bill Bailey	Bernie Barger
Frances Bowling	Barry Ferrell	Maggie Hambrick
Jake Hayes	Barbara Jones	Dennis Kincer
Reba Kling	Bob Lancaster	Homer Linton
Chuck Lockard	Susan Lockard	Floyd Moretz
Ann Pace	Mac Pace	Ken Riding
Buddy Smith	Sandy Smith	Helen Taylor
Jo Ann Threlkeld		

**Friends and Family**

Joaquin Bielawski  
Donna Betters (Sherry Moses)  
Terry Foss (Sherry Moses)  
John Morris (Sherry Moses)

**\*THE SESSION \***

Clerk of Session: Holly Woodson

Elders: Pam Claterbaugh, Richard Claterbaugh, Trent Cundiff, Matt Graybill, Joe Gwitt, Tom Hale, Gary Harris, Vee Hayes, Jyke Jones, Daniel Kirby, Lynn Kirby, Sherry Moses, Debbie Newman, Dora Slee, Gayle Wise