



April 2, 2023 Sixth Sunday in Lent

PRELUDE

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”
Organist Linda Vollweiler

arr. John Innes

WELCOME

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

OPENING LITANY

We lay, O God, our hearts before you.

We place into your path our very lives.

We greet you this day with honor and praise.

We bow before you our creator, redeemer, and guide.

PROCESSION OF PALMS

“Blessed is He Who Comes”

arr. Lloyd Larson

Dr. Louie Eckhardt-trumpet; Adult Bell Choir-Dr. Byron Jensen, director;
All Youth Choirs-Teresa Canady and Linda Johnson, directors
Mary Plock-accompanist

*OPENING HYMN

“Blessed is He Who Comes”

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Riky Nielsen, song leader

*OPENING LITANY

Heaven and earth, O God, are full of your glory.

The glory of one who comes as a servant.

The wonder of one who washes feet.

We celebrate our savior and seek to follow the path of mercy.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Greg Allen-Pickett

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess that our actions do not always match our beliefs. We claim to be adherents to the way of love. Yet we mock and belittle others. We claim to serve the one who fed the hungry, healed the sick, ate with outcasts, and welcomed all. Yet we so easily ignore the pleas of our neighbors. We hold fast to the self-sacrificing love of Jesus. Yet we mostly exist to serve our own needs. By your tender mercy, forgive us. Through your gentle calling, help our actions to live up to our beliefs. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION & CONTEMPLATION

Where do your actions and your beliefs fall out of alignment?

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God does not desire condemnation,

But that those who follow God will repent of their sin.

God is merciful, drawing back those who've strayed, forgiving their sins.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Glory Be to the Father”

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*PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you!

And also, with you!

(Greet one another by sharing the Peace of Christ with those around you)

In this cold and flu season, we are encouraging safety. Instead of shaking hands or hugging, you can look someone in the eyes and hold their gaze. Share peace with them by holding your hand to your chest and bowing your head to them or sharing some other appropriate sign.

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SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

BAPTISM

Theodore Klaassen

Parents Justin & Jessica Klaassen

(While the family is coming forward, children in the congregation are invited to gather around the baptismal font as well. The congregation will sing, “Jesus Loves Me” while everyone finds their places.)

BAPTISM QUESTION FOR THE CONGREGATION

Through the act of baptism, this child will be received into Christ’s church, and we all have a role in his nurture. To that end, I ask the congregation, do you promise, with God’s help, to support and pray for this child and his parents? And, do you promise to love this child and to assist him in becoming a faithful follower of Jesus Christ? If so, please respond by saying, “We do.” ***We do***

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Adapted from the Affirmation of Faith written by the First Presbyterian Confirmation Class of 2019)

We believe God is the creator of heaven and earth. God is merciful and forgiving. God helps us to love all living beings and to serve God faithfully. We believe that Jesus is the Son of God and our savior, who died for our sins and wants us to be his disciples. We believe the Holy Spirit helps us communicate with God and also connects us to one another. We believe the Church is a community of hope and a safe gathering space. The Church helps people in need, teaches people about God, and cares for its neighbors.

BAPTISM SONG

“God Claims You”

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

We seek, O God, not only to hear your word but to absorb it; to let it become a part of us, changing us and helping us to become ever more creatures of your Spirit. Bless these readings. Bless these teachings. Let your holy world become part of our very being. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Psalm 139:1-12

ANTHEM

"Blessed is He Who Comes"

arr. Sandy Wilkinson

Caleb Schukei and Harrison Welsch- percussion instruments

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – Matthew 21:6-11

MESSAGE

“What Carries You?” or “The Road that Lies Ahead”

*HYMN

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

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INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING *(All loose coins in the offering plate will be donated to The PC(USA) Hunger Fund.)*

For the health and safety of our members, we will not pass a plate or collect gifts during the offering. You are invited to give by dropping your offering as you leave in the plates at the back of the sanctuary, dropping it in the outside locked tithing box located on the second brick column under the portico, mailing it in, or giving online: <https://fpchastings.org/give-online/>

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OFFERTORY

“Ride On! Ride On in Majesty”

H. Alexander Matthews

*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

To God be the glory. To God be our lives. To God be these gifts that they might bring peace to the suffering and hope to the lost. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

*HYMN

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

630

(During the singing of the final hymn, we will take a second offering to benefit One Great Hour of Sharing. The congregation is invited to come down to the communion table and place their offering in the basket.)

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

arr. David Paxton

(*Indicates the congregation shall stand as they are able.)

COME JOIN US FOR WORSHIP NEXT WEEK AND
INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!

8:30 AM – EASTER SERVICE IN THE SANCTUARY

10:30 AM – EASTER SERVICE IN THE SANCTUARY

Organ, Choir, Handbells, Cathedral Brass will provide the music at both services

The 10:30 service is also broadcast live on KICS 1550 AM streamed live at:

www.facebook.com/fpchastings

(Please note, you do not need a Facebook account to view the service.)

THE RADIO BROADCAST is given in memory of O.J. McDougal by family.

THE FLOWERS are given in memory of Karen Huber by Duane Huber.

APRIL USHERS (Team #2) Captain-Duane Huber, Steve Illingworth, Daveta Brader, Lois Hafer, Dick Brader.

APRIL GREETERS

APRIL	MEMORIAL ROOM	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX
Palm Sunday 2	Teresa Luther		Lois & John Meeske
Easter 8:30a	Julie Thomsen		Melissa Davis
Easter 10:30a	Kay Georgiana	Jan Ham	Help Needed
16	Julie Thomsen		Lynne Friedewald & Chuck Shoemaker
23	Kathy Utter	Kim Creech	Help Needed
30	Help Needed		Melissa Davis



Holy Week Schedule



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Radio broadcast KICS 1550 AM and 92.7 FM

Palm Sunday, April 2

In-Person Worship at 8:30 & 10:30am
(10:30am with palms and a joyful procession!)
10:30am also on radio and Facebook

Maundy Thursday, April 6

Communion Service at 7:00pm
In-Person and on Facebook

Good Friday, April 7

Worship at 7:00pm
In-Person and on Facebook

Easter Sunday, April 9

In-Person Worship at 8:30 & 10:30am
Organ, Choir, Handbells, Cathedral Brass
10:30am also on radio and Facebook

Easter Prayer Vigil



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Good Friday through Easter Morning

This prayer vigil is a time for our community of faith to come before God to acknowledge that we are the body of Christ, and to ask for God's guidance and presence. You are invited to come to the Chapel or participate from home. This is a community time, for this prayer vigil is an act of our entire congregation.

Please sign up to participate by using the link or QR Code below

<https://bit.ly/FPCHEV>



Sunday 2	8:30am	Contemplative Communion Service	Chapel
	9:15am	Confirmation/Sunday School	various
	10am	HAW Store Open	Narthex
	10:30am	Palm Sunday Service	Sanctuary/Facebook/Radio
	11:30am	HAW Store Open	Narthex
	5-7pm	Jr. High/Sr. High Youth Group	various
Monday 3	1-3pm	First Presbyterian Pickleball	PEACE Center Gym
	6-8pm	Holy Week Prayer Event	Fellowship Hall
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-9pm	Chorus of the Plains Rehearsal	Choir Room
Tuesday 4	10-11am	Staff Meeting	In-person
	12pm	Bible Study	Anderson Room
	5:30pm	WAM Meeting	Anderson
	7pm	CCC Dog Obedience	PEACE NE Classroom
Wednesday 5	11-11:45am	PW Coord Team	Library
	11:45am-1:30pm	PW Program and Luncheon	Fellowship Hall
	11:55am	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com
	5-6:45pm	PreK-5th grade WNL	Various
	6:45pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
	7:30pm	Chancel Bells	Bell Room
	6:30pm	Woodcarvers	Basement
Thursday 6	12:30pm	Dulcimer	Lydia Room
	6-8pm	Mexican Folkloric Dance	PEACE NE Classroom
	7-8pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
	7pm	Maundy Thursday Service	Sanctuary
Friday 7	10am	Mahjong Ladies	Room 111
	7pm	Good Friday Service	Sanctuary
	8pm	Prayer Vigil Begins	Chapel or at home
Saturday 8	all day	Prayer Vigil	Chapel or at home
Sunday 9		Easter	
	8am	Prayer Vigil Ends	
	8:30am	Easter Sunday Service	Sanctuary
	10:30am	Easter Sunday Service	Sanctuary/Facebook/Radio

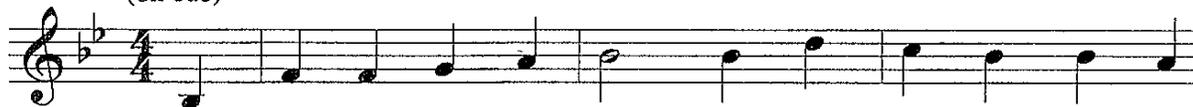
Blessed Is He Who Comes

Words by
THEODULPH OF ORLEANS
Tr. JOHN M. NEALE

ST. THEODULPH
MELCHIOR TESCHNER
Additional Music and Arrangement by
LLOYD LARSON

Congregation:

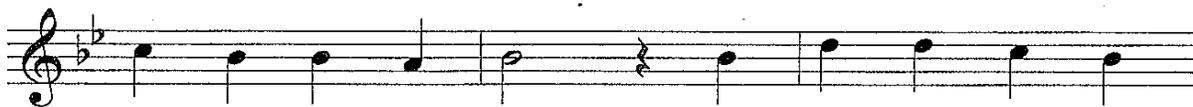
(on cue)



1. All glo - ry, laud and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er,
2. Thou art the King of Is - rael, thou Da - vid's roy - al
3. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we



King, to whom the lips of chil - dren made
Son, who in the Lord's name com - est, the
bring, who in all good de - light - est, thou



sweet ho - san - nas ring! The peo - ple of the
King and bless - ed One! To thee be - fore thy
good and gra - cious King. All glo - ry, laud and



He - brews with palms be - fore thee went; our
pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise; to
hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King, to



praise and prayer and an - - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise!
whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

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THE MISSION COMMITTEE IS COLLECTING
LONG-SLEEVE WORK
SHIRTS FOR OUR MIGRANT WORKERS.

THESE SHIRTS PROTECT THE WORKERS FROM
THE SUN AND EXPOSURE TO AGRICULTURAL
CHEMICALS.

SHIRTS CAN BE DROPPED OFF IN THE DESIGNATED
BIN IN FELLOWSHIP HALL.

THE MISSION COMMITTEE THANKS YOU.



DATE: Monday, June 26th – Thursday, June 29th

TIME: 8:30 am – 11:30 am

WHERE: First Presbyterian Church

621 N Lincoln, Ave

AGES: *Pre-School – 6th grade

(This is the grade they are entering in August 2023)

*Preschoolers must be potty trained; exceptions can be made on
a case-by-case basis.

Register or sign-up to volunteer by visiting: fpchastings.org/vbs/



Greeters:

We are in need of Greeters for the 10:30am service on Easter.

We are also in need of Greeters for the 10:30am service on April 23 and April 30. If you are able to help out please let Melissa know in the Church Office. (402-462-5147 or melissa@fpchastings.org)

Thank you for your willingness to serve!

Prayers for



Shirley Maul
Barry Thomson
Stephen Gass
Bev Stein
Greg Howard
Lisa Unger & family
Jodi Graves & family
Ashley Ibach
Rhonda Sanford

Reta & Lowell Johnson
Carl Utley
BJ Pumroy & family
Elaine Schumacher
Dave Schawang
Jenni Bauer
Don Rasmussen
Freddie Petersen
Audre Zaroban

Irina Belikova-Erickson
Rich Portwood
Shirley Gass
Tarah Davis & family
Cheryl Ann Elfond
Brad Davis
Roberta Lloyd and family
Nancy Grams
Vicki Howard



Prayer Calls



On Monday 4/3 from 6:30-8pm, your church leaders and staff will be calling every family in the church. We will be collecting prayer requests, joys, and concerns, so that we can pray for during Holy Week. So, if your phone rings on Monday night, please answer it. You will have a chance to talk with a church leader and they will pray for you.

Thank you!

First Presbyterian Church of Hastings
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Head of Church: Jesus Christ
Senior Pastor: Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett
Organist and Music Director: Linda Vollweiler
Chancel Choir Director: Brett Epperson
Chancel Bells & Calvin/Westminster
Bells Director: Dr. Byron Jensen
Calvin/Westminster Choir Director: Linda Johnson
Praise/Alleluia Choir Directors: Tim and Teresa Canady
Praise/Alleluia Bells Choir Director: Dr. Susan Oliver
Accompanist and Music Coordinator: Mary Plock

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