

CHRIST
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Lord's Day Worship
March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday

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WELCOME

*During Christian worship we cross the threshold
of the secular to the sacred,
from the common to the uncommon,
from the profane to the holy.*

*Our contact with the holy is not merely an encounter
with a different dimension of reality;
it is the meeting with Absolute Reality.*

*Christianity is not about involvement with religious experience as a tangent.
It involves a meeting with a holy God.¹*

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude: *Rise My Soul, the Lord is Risen*, by Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Matt Boswell, and Matt Papa (2024)

CALL TO WORSHIP: MARK 11:1–10

Leader: Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples ² and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. ³ If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" ⁴ And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. ⁵ And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶ And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. ⁷ And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. ⁸ And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. ⁹ And those who went before and those who followed were shouting,

Church: **"Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
¹⁰ Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!"**

¹ R.C. Sproul, *The Holiness of God* (Peabody: Hendrickson, 2010), 144, 146.

HYMN OF ADORATION

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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1. All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King,
2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing thee on high;
3. To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring,
and mor - tal men, and all things cre - a - ted, make re - ply.
to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.

Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.
our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF FAITH: WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM² AND HEIDELBERG CATECHISM³ QUESTIONS 1

Minister: What is the chief end of man?

Church: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

Minister: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

Church: That I am not my own,
but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.
He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,
and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil.
He also watches over me in such a way
that not a hair can fall from my head
without the will of my Father in heaven;
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.
Because I belong to him,
Christ, by his Holy Spirit,
also assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready
from now on to live for him.

² In 1643, the English Parliament convened an assembly at Westminster Abbey to advise them on how to reform the Church of England. The Assembly produced three documents: a Confession of Faith, Larger Catechism, and Shorter Catechism, which ultimately were not adopted by the Church of England but were adopted by the Church of Scotland and the Presbyterian churches in America as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Bible.

³ The Heidelberg Catechism (1563), produced by the Reformed churches on the continent of Europe, was one of the earliest confessions of the Reformation. It is loved for how it warmly states the doctrines of the Bible.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: PSALM 2

- ¹ Why do the nations rage
and the peoples plot in vain?
- ² The kings of the earth set themselves,
and the rulers take counsel together,
against the Lord and against his Anointed, saying,
- ³ "Let us burst their bonds apart
and cast away their cords from us."
- ⁴ He who sits in the heavens laughs;
the Lord holds them in derision.
- ⁵ Then he will speak to them in his wrath,
and terrify them in his fury, saying,
- ⁶ "As for me, I have set my King
on Zion, my holy hill."
- ⁷ I will tell of the decree:
The Lord said to me, "You are my Son;
today I have begotten you.
- ⁸ Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.
- ⁹ You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."
- ¹⁰ Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
be warned, O rulers of the earth.
- ¹¹ Serve the Lord with fear,
and rejoice with trembling.
- ¹² Kiss the Son,
lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,
for his wrath is quickly kindled.
Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION⁴

**All: Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against Your holy laws.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done;
and apart from Your grace, there is no health in us.
O Lord, have mercy upon us.
Spare all those who confess their faults.
Restore all those who are penitent,
according to Your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord.
And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake,
that we may live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.**

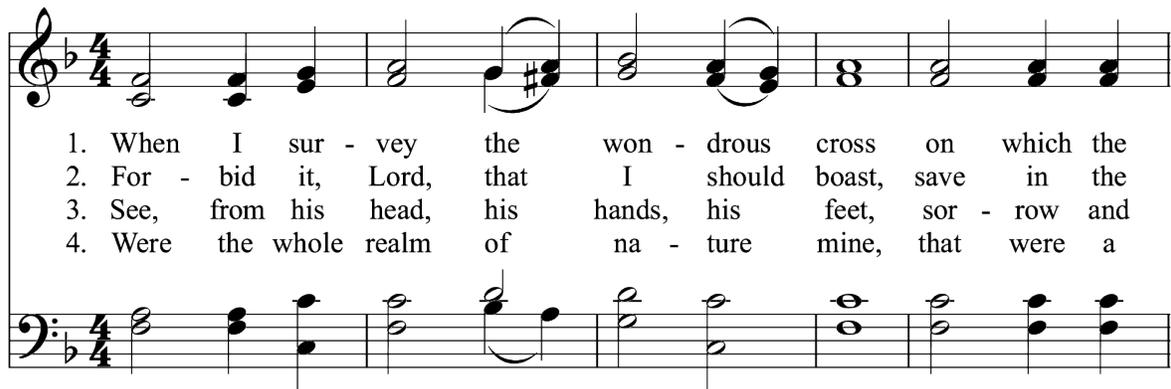
Thomas Cranmer (1489–1556) in the Book of Common Prayer (2019)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: 1 PETER 2:24–25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵ For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

HYMN OF CONFESSION

338 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a

⁴ In our prayer of confession, we are honest with God, with ourselves, and with each other about who God is and who we are, confessing to Him that He is holy, righteous, just, and loving; and that we are not; yet, we are trusting in His mercy and grace available in Jesus Christ. We then have the joy of hearing God's Word say that He is faithful and just to forgive us of our sins when we confess (1 John 1:9). And we have the joy of responding in song.

Prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 death of Christ my God: all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down: did e'er such love and
 pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Isaac Watts, 1707, 1709

HAMBURG L.M.
 Gregorian chant

GREET ONE ANOTHER

As the Apostle Paul encouraged churches to "Greet one another" (Romans 16:16, 1 Corinthians 16:20, 2 Corinthians 13:12, 1 Thessalonians 5:26), please greet those around you, and please introduce yourself to anyone you do not know.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Christ intercedes for His church in prayer (John 17; Luke 23:34; Hebrews 7:25), and He gives His church the ministry of praying "with each other for each other" as well praying for the community in which our church is placed (1 Timothy 2:1-4).

NEW TESTAMENT READING: ACTS 4:23-31

When they were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. ²⁴ And when they heard it, they lifted their voices together to God and said, "Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and everything in them, ²⁵ who through the mouth of our father David, your servant, said by the Holy Spirit,

"Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples plot in vain?

²⁶ The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers were gathered together, against the Lord and against his Anointed'—

27 for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, 28 to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place. 29 And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, 30 while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus." 31 And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

A Praying People
J. Porter Harlow, Minister

HYMN OF RESPONSE

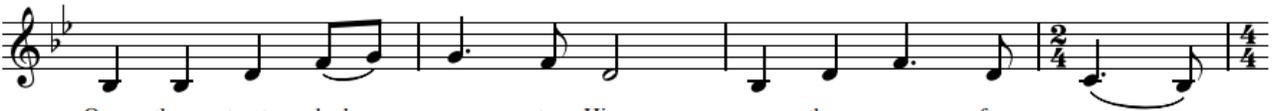
Jerusalem

B \flat E \flat B \flat F B \flat



1. See Him in Je - ru - sa - lem, walk - ing where the crowds _ are.
2. See Him there up - on the hill, hear the scorn and laugh - ter;
3. See Him there up - on the cross, now no long - er breath - ing;

5 E \flat B \flat F



Once these streets had _ sung to Him, now they cry for mur -
Si - lent as a _ lamb He waits, pray - ing to the Fa -
Dust that formed the _ watch - ing crowds, takes the blood of Je -

9 B \flat E \flat Gm F E \flat B \flat



-der. Such a frail and lone - ly Man hold - ing up the heav - y _
-ther. See the King who made the sun and the moon and shin - ing _
-sus. Feel the earth is shak - ing now, see the veil is split in _

13 F E \flat B \flat F Gm E \flat



cross. See Him walk - ing in Je - ru - sa - lem on the road to
stars. Let the sol - diers hold and nail Him down, so that He could
two, and He stood be - fore the wrath of God, shield - ing sin - ners

17 1, 2. INSTRUMENTAL F B \flat B \flat E \flat B \flat



save _ us.
save _ them.

21 F | 3. F B \flat B \flat E \flat | INSTRUMENTAL

with His blood.

25 B \flat F B \flat

4. See the emp - ty —

29 E \flat B \flat F B \flat

tomb to - day, death could not con - tain — Him. Once the Ser - vant —

33 E \flat B \flat F B \flat

of the world, now in vic - t'ry reign - ing. Lift your

38 E \flat Gm F E \flat B \flat F

voic - es to the One, who is seat - ed on the — throne; See Him

42 E \flat B \flat F Gm E \flat | 1. F

in the new Je - ru - sa - lem, praise the One who saved —

46 B \flat | 2. F Gm E \flat F B \flat

us! Lift your saved — us, praise the One who saved — us!

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Meditation: *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* by Bernard of Clairvaux (1091–1153) set to **PASSION CHORALE by Hans Leo Hassler (1601) and Johann Sebastian Bach (1729)**

*O sacred Head, now wounded,
with grief and shame weighed down;
now scornfully surrounded
with thorns, thine only crown;
O sacred Head, what glory,
what bliss 'til now was thine!
Yet, though despised and gory,
I joy to call thee mine.*

*What thou, my Lord, hast suffered
was all for sinners' gain:
mine, mine was the transgression,
but thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior!
'Tis I deserve thy place;
look on me with thy favor,
vouchsafe to me thy grace.*

Sermon Outline *A Praying People* Acts 4:23–31

I. The People (v.23)

II. The Prayer (v.24–30)

- Praise (v.24–28)
- Shaped by God's Word (v.24–26, Psalm 146:6, Psalm 2:1–2, 7, Isaiah 42, 52–53)
- The Petition (v.29)

III. The Assurance That They Were Heard (v.31)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

During our prayer of thanksgiving, we express our thankfulness for what the Lord has provided, and we ask him to use our tithes and offerings to advance his kingdom and provide for those in need. Our church has three opportunities to give: (1) over the internet, (2) the collection box on the back table, or (3) by mail. Please see the announcements page for details.

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

Gloria Patri

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Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the
Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in
the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er
shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

2nd cent.; tr.

GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex) Irreg.
Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

BENEDICTION: EPHESIANS 3:20–21

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us,²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leadership. Christ Presbyterian is served by the following leaders:

- Teaching Elders: Porter Harlow, Robert Hasler
- Ruling Elders: Scott Hatch, Kevin Horrigan, David Hudak, and Philip Lee
- Deacons: Nathanael Achor, Gunnar Conrow, David Och, Wade Woo, Chuck Virts
- Women's Ministry Leadership Team: Bethany Fernandez, Kristy Hatch, and Lee Ann Hudak

Giving. You may support the work of the Lord by giving in the following ways.

- **Internet.** Go to <https://cpcburke.org/support> or you may scan this QR Code.
- **Offering Box.** You may place your offering in the wooden box on the back table. Offering boxes were used in Old Testament synagogues (Luke 21:1-4). The early church continued to use them. Most churches eliminated them when they made the collection part of the worship service. During the Reformation, some churches returned to the practice, and with the increasing use of electronic giving, many churches are returning to the Biblical precedent of offering boxes.



Recurring Events

- **First Sunday Fellowship Meals** on the first Sunday of the month after worship.
- **Sunday School.** We offer Sunday School after worship starting at 11:05 AM for children ages 0-3 in the nursery through Middle and High School.
- **Small Groups**
 - Wednesday Small Group meets weekly at 7:30 pm in the Hudak home.
 - Friday Small Group meets on 2d and 4th Fridays at 6:00 pm in a rotating home.
 - Sunday Small Group meets on 2d and 4th Sundays at 4:00 pm in a rotating home.
- **Men's Breakfast** meets on the second Saturday of each month.
- **Women's Fellowship.** The Women's Bible Study meets on the third Saturday of each month.

Missions We Support. Please pray for the missions we support.

- **Church Planting in DC Area.**
 - One Voice Fellowship, pastored by Chris Sicks, is a multilingual church on mission to reach ethnic and religious minorities in Falls Church.
 - Ark Covenant Church, pastored by Zhongming Chen, reaching Mandarin speakers in Fairfax
- **Church Planting in Dearborn, Michigan.** Jerry Riendeau is preparing to plant in Dearborn, Michigan, home to the largest Arabic speaking population outside the Middle East.
- **Church Planting in England.** Oxford Presbyterian Church is a church being planted by in Oxford, England, by Andy Young.
- **Church Planting in Japan.** Jason & Ai Kueh are PCA missionaries planting in Shin-Urayasu, a Tokyo suburb. Jason is also ordained in the Presbyterian Church in Japan.
- **Church Planting in East Asia.** We support a PCA missionary who is training pastors in East Asia as part of a church planting movement underway there.
- **Reformed University Fellowship-International at GMU.** Pastor Matthew DeLong is on mission to reach international students at GMU.
- **Reformed University Fellowship-International at University of Alabama, Birmingham.** Our own Joanna will be serving as an intern for RUF-I at UAB.

Mercy Ministries We Support

- **The Lamb Center** is a daytime homeless shelter sharing the love of Christ in Fairfax.
- **Assist Pregnancy Center.** Assist promotes "life through Christ to those vulnerable to abortion."
- **Ecumenical Community Helping Others (ECHO):** Local food pantry.

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