

March 24, 2024

11:00 AM

Pastor Dennis Molnar

Patti Reep, Organist

Deborah Snyder, Pianist
& Choir Director

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Deborah Snyder, Liturgist

With crowds from ancient times we cry, Hosanna! Save us!

O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good! God's steadfast love endures forever.

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

We bless you in the house of the Lord!

Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Let us worship the living God!

MORNING PRAYER

* Hymn of Praise #154 CLH "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, as we enter this Holy Week of Lent, solemnly gathered at your house of prayer, we turn our hearts toward Jerusalem. We want to walk the way with Jesus, to be present each step from the Mount of Olives to the cross to the empty tomb. And yet we fall away. Forgive our stubborn resistance to Christ's work and witness. Inspire us by your Spirit to follow in his way, until we enter with him into the city not made by human hands, the new Jerusalem, eternal in the heavens. May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

* SILENT CONFESSION

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* GLORIA PATRI #579 PH

* Passing of the Peace.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also, with you.

SCRIPTURE READING: Philippians 2: 5-11

CHILDREN'S SERMON "The Destination of Jesus"

CHOIR ANTHEM "Hosanna, Hosanna, We Sing"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON: John 12: 12-19

SERMON "The Journey Ahead"

MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed (Traditional) Pg. 14 PH

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER Pg. 16 PH

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

* OFFERTORY

* THE DOXOLOGY #592 PH

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

As the crowds cried, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord," we are truly grateful for the greatest gift of all, Jesus Christ our Lord. Receive these gifts as a symbol of the dedication of our very selves to you, O God. Use our gifts and use us as a part of the inbreaking of your kingdom, which comes and is still coming into our world today. Amen.

* Closing Hymn #4 Green SS "You Are My All in All"

* BENEDICTION

* Response "Make Me a Servant"

Make me a servant, humble and meek; Lord, let me lift up those who are weak. And may the prayer of my heart always be: Make me a servant, make me a servant, make me a servant today.

* POSTLUDE

* Congregation please stand if you are able.

PH - Presbyterian Hymnal (Blue), CLH - Christian Life Hymnal (Red)

We welcome all visitors worshiping with us today! Please sign our guest book located in the vestibule.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Dennis Molnar can be reached by calling/texting 412-389-6844 or by e-mail at molnarzoo@verizon.net if you have a pastoral concern or question.

Adult Sunday School – Sundays at 9:45-10:30am. There will be no Sunday School on March 31st.

Children's Sunday School – First Sunday of each month.

Choir Practice – Sundays at 10:30am in the rehearsal room.

Easter Egg Hunt - After worship today, lunch will be served at noon in the fellowship hall followed by the Easter Egg Hunt at 1:00pm. Children of all ages are welcome to join in for an afternoon of fun!

Maunday Thursday Communion Service – Please join us for a special observance of the Lord's Supper in remembrance of the Last Supper and stripping of the church on Thursday evening, March 28th at 7:00pm.

Worthington Ministerium Cross Walk, March 29th at Noon – The Good Friday Cross Walk will start at noon at the Worthington Evangelical Lutheran Church and end at the Worthington Presbyterian Church.

Celebration of Easter – Please join us for the great day of the resurrection of the Lord on Sunday, March 31st at the 11:00am Worship Service. Pascha [or Easter] is the central event, the time of transformation, of becoming a resurrected people, God's new people. On this Sunday of all Sundays, Pascha, we celebrate our transformation as a new people. When Christ rose from the grave, death and all other "principalities and powers" that seek to entomb God's will were forever defeated.

Worship Committee Meeting – There will be no meeting in March.

Deacons Meeting – Sunday, April 7th following worship at 12:00pm.

Session Meeting – Monday, April 8th at 7:00pm. Please have session reports to Deb Snyder by Tuesday, April 2nd.

One Great Hour of Sharing Offerings - Will be collected and dedicated to the Glory of God today during worship.

Eyeglass Collection – - The Worship Committee will be collecting old eyeglasses to send to Uganda. If you have any to donate, please leave them in the basket located in the back of the church.

New Members Class - Anyone interested in joining the church see Deb Snyder.

Bulletin Announcements – Please notify Jan Cannon by calling or texting at 724-494-9382 or by email at djccannon@yahoo.com.

The offering plate is located on the table in the back of the church, you may leave your offering there.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 24 – Silas Patton

March 26 – Payton Eileen Cushey

March 25 – Andrew Snyder

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May this Palm Sunday remind us of Jesus' humble yet triumphant entry, pointing us toward the ultimate victory of His Resurrection.