



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

DALTON, GEORGIA EST. 1847



Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 14, 2019

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PRELUDE

The Palms

J. Faure
(1830-1914)

James Hoskins, baritone

*O'er all the way green palms and blooms gay are strewn this day, in festal preparation.
Where Jesus comes to wipe our tears away, e'en now the throng to welcome Him prepare. (Chorus)*

*His word goes forth, and people by its might once more regain freedom from degradation.
Humanity doth give to each his right, while those in darkness are restored to light. (Chorus)*

*Sing and rejoice, O blest Jerusalem, of all thy sons sing the emancipation.
Through boundless love the Christ of Bethlehem brings faith and hope to thee forevermore. (Chorus)*

*(Chorus) Join all and sing, His name declare, let every voice resound with acclamation:
Hosanna! Praise to the Lord! Bless Him who cometh to bring us salvation!*

Quartetto in F Major

A. Scarlatti
(1660-1725)

Passepied I and II

J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THE GREETING

At the sound of the bells, please prepare your heart and mind for worship.

INTROIT

Hosanna Processional

M. Kellner
(1959 - 2015)

Sung by the children and adult choirs

*Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

Cover Art: "Breaking of a Palm Leaf for the Entry into Jerusalem," 1304-1306, Scrovegni Chapel. Giotto (1266-1337). from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <http://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=46741> [retrieved March 19, 2018]. Original source: <http://www.yorckproject.de>.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Katie Scott

(from Luke 19)

As Jesus was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

**“Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!”**

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” He answered,

“I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

We praise you, merciful God, for redeeming the world through Jesus Christ. He entered the city of Jerusalem as Messiah and king to those who spread branches in his way. Then he was raised on a cross to lift us from death to life. As Jesus was lifted up, raise us into your presence so that we might worship in hope of his coming again. We pray this in the name of our Lord and Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 196

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Valet Will Ich Dir Geben

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(A time of silent prayer and meditation.)

Gracious God, you bring joy as you enter into our lives as Jesus Christ. Yet we plot to keep you out. When you challenge us, change us, call us to new life, we hold back. We prefer settled routines to discipleship. We try to follow, but not to your cross. Have mercy on us, Lord, and remove our sin. Transform us by your Spirit that we may live in hope of the new life you bring, through Jesus Christ our crucified and risen Lord. Amen.

KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy

D. Reindorf
(b. 1938)

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mer - cy. Lo - rd, have mer - cy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Valet Will Ich Dir Geben

**All glory, laud, and honor
To Thee, Redeemer, King!
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosanas ring.**

**To Thee, before they passion,
They sang their hymns of praise;
To Thee, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise.**

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE LITANY OF PARTING

Congregation: **God be with you there.**

Children: God be with you here.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Jesus Loves Me!

William B. Bradbury

**Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

(At this point in the service, we invite preschool-aged children to follow their teachers to the second floor elementary classroom in the Martin House for "Worship and Play.")

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Zechariah 9:9-10, 16-17

NRSV

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

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.

¹⁰ He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war-horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹⁶ On that day the LORD their God will save them

for they are the flock of his people;

for like the jewels of a crown
they shall shine on his land.

¹⁷ For what goodness and beauty are his!
Grain shall make the young men flourish,
and new wine the young women.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

It is a thing most wonderful

P. Moore
(b. 1943)

Leanna Granillo and Adrian Thomas, sopranos

*It is a thing most wonderful, almost too wonderful to be
That God's own Son should come from heav'n, And die to save a child like me.*

*And yet I know that it is true. He chose a poor and humble lot,
And wept and mourned and toiled and died, for love of those who loved him not.*

*I sometimes think about the cross, and shut my eyes and try to see the cruel nails
And crown of thorns and Jesus crucified for me.*

*But even could I see him die, I could but see a little part
of that great love which like a fire, Is always burning in his heart.*

*And yet I want to love thee Lord; O light the flame within my heart,
That I may love thee more and more, until I see thee as thou art.*

It is a thing most wonderful.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 19:28-40

NRSV

²⁸After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it'" ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying,

"Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven!”

³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” ⁴⁰He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

SERMON

“Written in Stone”

Rev. Will Scott

*HYMN 197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Ellacombe

WELCOME AND RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

SERVICE OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION

Do we, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Sukanya by word and deed, with love and prayer, and encourage her to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of his church? Do we?

We do.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

THE BAPTISM

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Baptized in Water

Bunessan

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
Marked with the sign of Christ our King;
Born of the Spirit, we are God’s children;
Joyfully now God’s praises we sing.**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

“The Apostles’ Creed”

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Surely He Hath Borne Our Griefs

G.F. Handel
(1682-1759)

*Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows! He was wounded
For our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the
Chastisement of our peace was upon Him.*

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Old 100th

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 209

My Song Is Love Unknown

Love Unknown

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Were You There

African American Spiritual

**Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (Were you there?)
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (Were you there?)**

POSTLUDE

Summa

A. Pärt

Played by the string quartet

Paula Pasqua, violin
Joe Lester, violin
Samantha Lester, viola
Annie Camp, cello

Volunteer Schedule

Worship

Date	Lay Readers	Ushers	Open/Close	Flowers	Sound Board	Deposit
4/14 Palm Sunday	Katie Scott	Kathy Bridges & Sue Spivey	John & Carin Mosteller	Dave Robinson	Jeff Granillo	Jane Plunkett
4/18 Maundy Thursday	_____	Charlie & Mac Thomas	Roy & Donna Cooper	_____	Jeff Granillo	_____
4/21 Easter	Carol Houston	Roy & Donna Cooper	Roger & Peggy Rollins	Kaye Clark	Jeff Granillo	Peggy Rollins

Children

Date	Children's Church	Nursery (Asst.)	Joy Makers
4/14	Tate & Katie O'Gwin	Valerie George	Music
4/21	Alice Ensley & Mary Hubbs	Lilly Douglas	Egg Hunt

Monthly

Communion (April 18 - Maundy Thursday)		Congregational Care		Fourth Sunday Fellowship Refreshments
Prep	Carol Houston	April	Peggy Rollins	Peggy Rollins
Servers	Rev. Will Scott, Henry Tharpe, Jack Partain, & Bob Hubbs	May	Kathryn Sellers	Sue Neelly



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