

Palm Sunday

March 20, 2016

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS..... Nancy Ruppert

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

PEOPLE: **Hosanna! Rejoice for the Lord is in our midst.**

LEADER: He comes with joy and hope.

PEOPLE: **He comes to set us free from fear.**

LEADER: Hosanna!

ALL: **Hosanna! Glory to God in the Highest Heaven. AMEN.**

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP... "Holy, Holy, Holy" Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rebecca Blake

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ... *Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29*..... Reggie Jackson

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD. The LORD is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

HYMN ... "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" ... *vs. 1, 2 and 3* 208

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

LEADER: Lord Jesus Christ, when our words and actions reflect reluctance to confess you publicly as Lord of our lives ...

PEOPLE: **Forgive us.**

LEADER: When we fear that humbling ourselves would be seen by others as weakness, some kind of defect in our character ...

PEOPLE: **Forgive us.**

LEADER: When we have betrayed your love for us through our lack of love for You, for others, and for ourselves:

PEOPLE: **Forgive us.**

LEADER: When we find ourselves glossing over the events of your passion and death because we look forward to Easter as a time to enjoy the holidays ...

PEOPLE: **Forgive us.**

We pray you: in your mercy forgive what we have been, amend what we are, direct what we shall be; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, giving thanks in all circumstances through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the Good News, in the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

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MORNING PRAYER

OFFERTORY HYMN... "Rejoice, the Lord Is King" ...*vs. 1, 2 and 3*197

OFFERTORY PRAYER Usher

OFFERTORY

GOSPEL LESSON ... *Mark 11:1-10*..... Molly Abbott

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples² and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it.³ If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'"⁴ They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it,⁵ some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?"⁶ They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it.⁷ Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it.⁸ Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields.⁹ Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

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

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

ANTHEM ... "Blessed Is He Who Comes!" Choir

SERMON ... *It's Sunday, but Friday's Comin'!* Rev. Wall

CLOSING HYMN ... "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" ... *vs. 1 and 2*231

BENEDICTION

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

TODAY..... Missy Myers

NEXT SUNDAY Sylvia McAlister

USHERS

TODAY..... Eugene Crisco's Team

NEXT SUNDAY Jeff Robinson's Team

CALENDAR for HOLY WEEK

TODAY

5:30 p.m. Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m. Supper

6:45 p.m. **Lenten Study**

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. **Maundy Thursday Service** at Biscoe Presbyterian

FRIDAY

7:00 p.m. **Good Friday Service** at First Baptist

SATURDAY

11:00 a.m. **Children's Easter Egg Hunt** at First Baptist

EASTER SUNDAY

7:00 a.m. **Easter Sunrise Service** at Biscoe Cemetery

PRAYER LIST

Church family: Wayne Abbott, Eddie and Sharon Reynolds, Katelyn Reynolds, Linda McNeill, Rachel McCaskill, Jack Boone, John & Alisa Beard, Larry Wilson, Rodney Loflin, Florence Cagle, Jane Covington, Vera McAlister, Karen Dailey			Mary James	Benny McBride	friend
At Home: Helen Greene, Violet Epps, Irene Warner			Butch/Nancy Jenkins	Bob & Sue Moore	niece/ husband
				Andy Spivey	son-in-law
Friends and Relatives of: Molly/Wayne Abbott			Candy Loflin	Sylvia Long	friend
				Amy Wilson	friend
John Beard			Mabel Ann Luther	Cristie Thomas	friend
				Goldie Loflin	
Dave/Barb Buckland			Max/Jane Luquire	Beth Holt	
				Lois Loflin	Rodney's mom
Jane Covington			Harold Lynthacum	Wanda Pierce	daughter
				Melissa Nelson	grand-daughter
Tina Cripps			Barbara Lynthacum	Ray Barrett	brother-in-law
				Jo Brooks	friend
Tim and Tammy Dunn			Jean Maness	Iris Luquire	sister-in-law
				Verna Hancock	friend
Betty Green			Janet Maness	J.D. Thompson	nephew
				Charles Thompson	nephew
Paul/Thelma Hussey			Pat/Bob Morgan	Melissa Green	daughter
				Helen Mabe	aunt
Reggie Jackson			Jeff Robinson	Carol Luther	friend
				Polly King	friend
Harold Johnson			Nancy Ruppert	Virginia Long	friend
				Tammy Parker	friend
Marian Jackson			Laverne Deaton, Mary Sparks, Camille Sparks, Kallie Rush	Marsha Norris	grand-daughter
				Kay Rush	daughter
Mildred Hunsucker			Jeff Robinson	Jesse Wallace	friend
				June Spears	friend
Mildred Hunsucker			Nancy Ruppert	Ralph McIntyre	friend
				Marie Spoon	sister
Mildred Hunsucker			Nancy Ruppert	Service Personnel: Devin Hurley, Mark Davis, Dylan McCaskill, Christian Rush, Seth Spivey, Garrett Wallace, Chris Stuart	