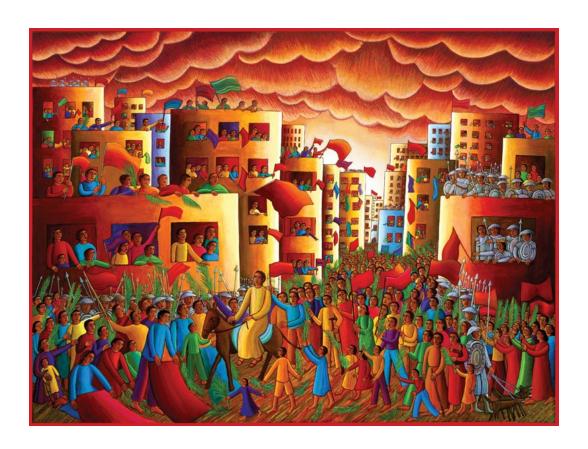


# PALM SUNDAY



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# We Gather to Worship

**People's Preparation** 

"Many souls fail to find God because they want a religion which will remake society without remaking themselves." - Fulton J. Sheen, *Peace of Soul* 

**Prelude** Paraphrase on See the Conquering Hero Come

A. Guilmant

Welcome Marguerite Sirrine

Please sign the Friendship Pad, passing it down the pew and then back to the center aisle. Guests, we invite you to share your contact information.

Introit Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Ellacombe

Call to Worship\*

Bruce Cox; From Psalm 118

One: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks

to the Lord.

Many: This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

One: I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

Many: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

One: This is the day that the Lord has made.

Many: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Opening Hymn #196\*

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

HYMNS CAN BE FOUND AT THE END OF THE DOCUMENT.

The congregation will sing the verses only and the children will sing the refrain only.

Children's Time Filled with Excitement

Glory to God #199

Joyful Noise Music R. R. Ávila, arr. A. Schutmaat

**Choral Response** 

From Olivet They Followed

Ellacombe

# We Repent & Seek Forgiveness

Call to Confession Marguerite Sirrine

## **Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

God of heaven and earth, we give you thanks for sending us Jesus Christ in your name. Even though we profess to follow him, we confess that in times of trial we too often deny him. Forgive us and heal us, we pray. Help us to put our faith not in the princes of this world, but only in the Prince of Peace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen. (Silence.)

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

#### Gloria Patri #581\*

"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen."

Passing of the Peace\*

Bruce Cox

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

Please offer a sign of Christ's peace to those around you.

# We Hear God's Word

First Lesson Isaiah 50:4-9a Bruce Cox; OT p. 681

**Anthem** *Ride On! Ride on in Majesty!* 

H. Milman, F. Ritter

"Ride on! Ride on in majesty! Hear all the tribes "Hosanna" cry;
O Savior meek, your road pursue with palms and scattered garments strewed.
Hosanna, hosanna!

Ride on! Ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.

O Christ, your triumphs now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin.

Hosanna, hosanna!

Ride on! Ride on in majesty! The winged squadrons of the sky Look down with sad and wondering eyes to see the approaching sacrifice.

Hosanna, hosanna!

Ride on! Ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die; Bow your meek head to mortal pain, then take, O Christ, your power and reign. Hosanna, hosanna! Then take your power and reign!"

## **Prayer of Illumination (Unison)**

Marguerite Sirrine

Eternal God, quiet within us all mortal voices, that through the story of the passion and by the power of your Holy Spirit, we may have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Second Lesson Luke 19:28-40 NT p. 83

One: The Word of the Lord, **Many: Thanks be to God.** 

**Sermon** "Mind The Gap" Marguerite Sirrine

# We Respond in Faith

Affirmation of Faith (Unison)\*

Bruce Cox

From A Brief Statement of Faith, PC(USA)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

**Invitation to the Offering** 

Bruce Cox

Offertory

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

arr. Dan Forrest

To make an online offering to HMPC, we invite you to use this QR code:



Doxology #606\*

"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 & Lord's Prayer

Bruce Cox

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.

# We Bear and Follow the Word into the World

Closing Hymn #215\*

What Wondrous Love is This

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Benediction\* Marguerite Sirrine

Choral Response\* Hosanna in the Highest Ellacombe

**Postlude** Postlude on Ellacombe Jason Payne

<sup>\*</sup>Rise, in body or spirit

# Welcome

We are delighted you have joined us for worship today! Following the service, we invite you to a time of fellowship in Westminster Hall.

If you are a guest, we invite you to stop at one of the entryway tables for a gift bag and information about the church.



# **Worship Notes**

Chancel flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Palm Sunday.

**Blue prayer cards** are available in the pew racks. If you are in need of prayer, you may fill out a card and put it in the offering plate.

Ushers today - Anne Brown, Marsha Flueckinger, Sandra Acai

Greeters today - Harry Bowles, Jeffrey Coonse, Hope Parangi

Soundboard Operator - Gil Graybill | Livestream Operator - Erik Jacobsen

**Deacon on Call (DOC)** for April is Gil Graybill. If you are in need of prayer, comfort or assistance, please call the confidential Deacon Prayer line at 919-390-2688.

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# **April Special Offering: One Great Hour of Sharing**

**Our Special Offering** for April is to support PCUSA's One Great Hour of Sharing. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. These all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.



You may place your donation in the offering plate, mail it, donate online (QR code to left), or text to give. Text donation amount with the word "OGH" to 888-906-0744 (Example: 25 OGH).

# **Holy Week at Hudson**

# Following Palm Sunday Worship

Fellowship in Westminster Hall
Youth Sunday School - Youth SS Room
Children's Music - Geneva Hall
Coffee & Conversation for Young-ish Adults (+ Meet & Greet with Marguerite)
12:00pm - Youth Bells - WH South

#### This Afternoon

5:00pm - HS Youth (grades 9-12) - "Phones & Pizza" - Westminster Hall

## **Thursday, April 17**

7:00pm - Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service Communion & Office of Tenebrae - Sanctuary

## Friday, April 18

12:00pm - Good Friday Service - Sanctuary

## Easter Sunday, April 20

8:00-10:30am - Easter "Cancake" Breakfast - Stop by Westminster Hall with your donation of canned food for North Raleigh Ministries!

9:00am - Easter Worship Service - Sanctuary 11:00am - Easter Worship Service - Sanctuary

# **Children & Their Families: Worship, Education & Helpful Hints**

We enthusiastically welcome all children to HMPC! The comfort and security of children are our highest priority.

- Nursery for infants, toddlers, and twos is located on the north end of the first floor and is available from 9:15–12:15. Please sign in your child with one of our childcare workers. Staff are HMPC employees and experienced childcare professionals, and our nursery wing has its own security system.
- We welcome all families to begin Worship together in the Sanctuary. **Please sign in children** at the back of the Sanctuary near the Children's Worship Area and ensure each child is wearing his/her lanyard or a nametag. Following the Children's Message, all children age 3 years through 4th grade are welcome to go with the Children's Ministry volunteers to Sunday School.
- Our Children's Worship area is open to children 1st grade and under. Children 2nd grade and older are asked to sit with their parents until the Children's Message. While your child is in the Children's Worship Area, parents should sit in nearby pews to supervise their children.

# **Easter Lilies**

Lilies may be dedicated in honor or in memory of a loved one. Each plant is \$15. Fill out a form by April 14 (forms can be found at Sanctuary entrances) and place it in the offering plate



or turn it in to the church office with a check designated for the *Chancel Guild Easter Lilies*. The lilies may be picked up after the worship services on Easter Sunday. **If you wish to order online**, you can scan the QR code to the left or go to the link on the homepage of our website. When paying online, please make a note in the memo line that the payment is for Easter lilies.

# Interested in Becoming a Member? Attend one of our Inquirers' Classes to learn about membership at Hudson!

## **Upcoming Opportunities:**

**April 27th** immediately following worship (register by April 23rd) **May 4th** immediately following worship (register by April 30th)

Contact Cary Dickerson if you are interested - cdickerson@hmpc.org

# **Our Mission Statement**

To Know, Love and Serve God in Jesus Christ

## **Our Vision**

A Community Enriched by Responding to the Wonder of God

## **Our Core Values**

Worship, Generosity, Service, Nurture, Education & Gratitude

## **Session**

Glenn Schindo, Clerk Marguerite Sirrine, Moderator

Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
Dottie Burch	Ken Krause	Harry Bowles
Carol Cox	Caroline Smart	Steve Guy
Jay Cummins	Dan Vig	Don Haydon
Melinda Dickinson	John Williams	Grace Hutchinson

#### **Deacons**

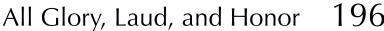
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Billy Branch	Winter Fox	Jeffrey Coonse
Ruth Herpich	Judie Greenawalt	Gil Graybill
Joanna Hulsey	Jill Hovis	Caroline Rohs
Gretchen McDuffie	Linda Meeks	Lisa Williams
Carolyn Scott, Moderator	Mary Schindo	Fred Woodward

# **HMPC Staff**

Marguerite Sirrine	Transitional Pastor & Head of Staff
	Minister of Visitation
Hunter Cox	Organist
Cary Dickerson	Director of Children's Ministries
Erica Hairston	Business Manager
Joyce Hawkins	Assistant Preschool Director
Lesley Ash Jacobsen	
Barbara Loehr-Fox	Director of Music Ministries
Hope Parangi	
Rich Richards	Director of Youth Ministries & Children's Music
Dorothy Roche	
Hannah Woodcock	









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