

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 2, 2023

Palm/Passion Sunday

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

arr. John Carter

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

Hosanna

Tuttle

(The congregation is invited to wave their palm branches as the children process in the sanctuary)

Call to Worship

Leader: With crowds from ancient times we cry,

People: Hosanna! Save us!

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good!

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

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

People: We bless you in the house of the Lord!

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 265**

All Glory, Laud and Honor

Prayer of Confession

Christ our Redeemer, try as we might, we do not follow your example. We do not empty ourselves, we do not humble ourselves, we are not obedient. You simply ask us to care about this world you created, but we fail to do even that.

Forgive us. You have given us the greatest, clearest example of love. Heal us, and help us to follow. Amen. (Silent prayer and reflection)

Words of Assurance

Leader: Friends, in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

***Gloria Patri #734**

"Glory Be to the Father"

Psalter Reading (insert)

Time for Children

Donna Hohman

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

A Most Unusual Champion

Langley

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 21: 1-11

Pew Bible p. 23- New Testament

Sermon Series

Good Question!

Message

"Now What?"

Dr. Steve Starzer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Response #267**

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Affirmation of Faith

adapted from the Confession of 1967

God's reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery
which the Scriptures describe in various ways.

It is called the sacrifice of a lamb,
a shepherd's life given for his sheep,
atonement by a priest;

again it is ransom of a slave, payment of debt,
vicarious satisfaction of a legal penalty,
and victory over the powers of evil.

These are expressions of a truth
which remains beyond the reach of all theory

in the depths of God's love for humankind.
They reveal the gravity, cost,
and sure achievement of God's reconciling work.

Offering

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads during this time)

Offertory

Mantos Y Palmas

Rubén Ruiz Avila

***The Doxology #44**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Lord's Supper (insert)

***Closing Hymn #268**

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

The Royal Banners

James Mansfield

* Those who are able, please stand.