

Celebration of Worship



March 28, 2021

9:30 A.M.

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WEBSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Prelude

Reflection

“Holy Week...comes to gather us around the one true holy place of the Christian religion, Jesus himself, displayed to the world as the public language of our God, placarded on the history of human suffering that stretches along the roadside. This is a week for learning, not management, bargaining and rule-keeping, but naked trust in that naked gift.”

Rowan Williams, *Open to Judgment Sermons and Addresses*

Welcome and Announcements

Ringing of the Bell

Call to Worship

Leader: Come.

Come seeking words.

People: Come to let your tongue give praise.

Leader: Come to find your voice.

People: Come to hear the response.

Leader: Come to open your ears.

People: Come to listen.

Leader: Come to be healed.

People: Come to stand together.

Leader: Come to approach what words cannot describe.

People: Come to find God.

Leader: Come. Let us worship God.

Prayer of Invocation

Leader: Come, O Holy One. Come through the streets.

Come through the house.

Come to find a space beside us at the table.

Come to challenge our answers about

**People: Why tragedy comes,
Why poverty increases,
Why we are afraid.**

Leader: Come, O Holy One.
Speak to us.

**People: With wisdom greater than ours,
With love deeper than ours,
With change wider than ours.**

Leader: Come, O Holy One.
Fill in these stories
With your wisdom,
With your love,
With your change

**People: So that we might rely on your answers
And truly be God's People.
Amen.**

Opening Hymn *All Glory, Laud and Honor* # 88

Prayer of Confession

Leader: O Holy One, we are too distressed to notice that you join us in the parade. We are too deeply grieved to be aware that you sit beside us at the table. We are too busy sighing. We are too busy talking. We have insisted upon our own answers. We proclaimed our own knowledge about why bad things happen, about why the rich get richer, about why the world feels so broken. We have assured ourselves that this is the way that things must be, but this life is in your hands. Our lives are in your hands.

People: O Holy One, speak to us. Fill our silences. Comfort us with your love so that we may find your understanding. Trust us to find your answers when we finally tire from our own. Save us, O Holy One, with your steadfast love. Amen.

Assurance of Blessing

Leader: God opens your ears. God speaks when you are silent. God approaches you in the parade and at table, in your denial and your praise, to be your help. Now and always. Amen.

Gloria Patri

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. Amen.

Children's Time

Blessing of the Palms

Unison: Eternal God, thank you for sending your Son and paving the way for our lives to be set free through Jesus' death on the cross. Thank you for what this day stands for – the beginning of Holy Week, the start of the journey towards the power of the cross, the victory of the Resurrection, and the rich truth that Jesus truly is our King of Kings. "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord..." Amen.

Special Music *Crown Him with Many Crowns* Arr. Lloyd Larson
Alleluia Bells

Scripture Readings *Psalm 31:9-16*
Mark 11:1-11

Special Music *On That Day When He Rode into Jerusalem*
Vocal Ensemble Arr. Mary Kay Beall

Scripture Reading *Philippians 2:5-11*

Sermon *What's on Your Mind?* Pastor Phil Davis, Sr.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (Debts/Debtors)

Offering Mail in your gifts or click the WPC website 'Give' button

Doxology and Blessing of the Offering

Communion

Closing Hymn God Be with You Til We Meet Again;
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a Shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
Unseen wings protecting hide you,
Daily manna still provide you:
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
When life's perils thick confound you,
Put unfailing arms around you:
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
Keep love's banner floating o'er you,
Smite death's threatening wave before you:
God be with you till we meet again.

Benediction and Postlude

All Glory, Laud and Honor

Refrain:

All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King!
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One. Refrain

The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;
Our praise and prayers and anthems before Thee we present. Refrain

To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. Refrain

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King! Refrain

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.
Hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love; behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above in beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end, and round His pierced feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.



HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Maundy Thursday, April 1st

Worship Service with Communion
7:00 p.m. In the Sanctuary and on Zoom

Good Friday, April 2nd

Worship Service
7:00 p.m. In the Sanctuary and on Zoom

Easter Sunday, April 4th

Worship Service with Communion
9:30 a.m. In the Sanctuary and on Zoom

LECTIONARY PASSAGES

Palm Sunday, March 28th

Palms

Old Testament

Psalm

Gospel

New Testament

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Mark 11:1-11 & John 12:2-16

Passion

Isaiah 50:5-9a

Psalm 31:9-16

Mark 15:1-47

Philippines 2:5-11

Maundy Thursday, April 1st

Old Testament

Psalm

New Testament

Gospel

Exodus 12:1-14

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

I Corinthians 11:23-26

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Good Friday, April 2nd

Old Testament

Psalm

New Testament

Gospel

Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12

Psalm 22

Hebrews 10:16-25

John 18:1 – 19:42

Easter Sunday, April 4th

Old Testament

Psalm

New Testament

Gospel

Isaiah 25:6-9

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

I Corinthians 15:1-11, Acts 10:34-43

John 20:1-18; Mark 16:1-8

MEMORY VERSE

*Be kind and compassionate to one another,
forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.*

Ephesians 4:32

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us, whether by Zoom or in person. Those choosing to attend in person for the first time are asked to make a reservation to attend by calling the church office and speaking to Georgia, or by emailing the church office by noon on Saturday.
2. NEXT SUNDAY IS EASTER SUNDAY. More and more church members have been vaccinated and are worshipping with us in person on Sunday morning. All safety protocols are being observed. If you feel comfortable, we would love to have you join us!
3. SUNDAY SERVICES continue to be live-streamed.
You can watch them live at 9:30 using:
Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/200521841> The password is **worship**.
or Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/>
Or you can watch them later at your leisure using:
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/>
or YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzM5-thYxua2HQSPF6P71wA>
4. WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S LEARNING FOR A LIFETIME offering will be the DVD *The Last Passover*, showing the connection between God's redemptive work for the Hebrews and ultimately us, and the first Passover and Jesus' meal with his disciples the night before his crucifixion.
5. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY concludes a Lenten study this Tuesday with the "Great I Am's" from the Gospel of John, statements letting the world know who Jesus is, what he does and can do. Join us at 10:00 on Zoom to look at Jesus, "The True Vine."
8. ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING COLLECTIONS continue through next Sunday. For over 70 years this special offering has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world. The 3 programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing –
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance,
The Presbyterian Hunger Program, and
Self-Development of People –
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. To contribute, send a check to WPC with OGHS written in the memo, or go to the church website and choose "Give" on the top right, and then under "fund" choose OGHS.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today, March 28 - Palm Sunday

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and on Zoom
- 10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 4:00 P.M. Youth quadcopters and airplanes in the Social Room

Monday, March 29

- 7:00 P.M. Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social & Memorial Rooms
- 7:30 P.M. Christian Ed. Committee in Room 9/10

Tuesday, March 30

- 10:00 A.M. Women's Bible Study on Zoom
- 5:00 P.M. TOPS in Room 9/10

Wednesday, March 31

- 6:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study at Golden Boys Restaurant
- 7:00 P.M. Adult Ed. DVD on Zoom
Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room

Thursday, April 1

- 7:30 A.M. Bible Study on Zoom
- 6:30 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 366 in the Social Room
- 7:00 P.M. Maundy Thursday Service in the Sanctuary and on Zoom
- 6:30 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 366 in the Social Room

Friday, April 2

- 10:30 A.M. Book Study on Zoom
- 7:00 P.M. Good Friday Service in the Sanctuary and on Zoom

Saturday, April 3

- 9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom
Roc Ringers Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

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