

Welcome to our church!

We're glad you're here! We hope you experience the warmth and welcome of Christ our Savior in this community.



If this is your first time visiting, please fill out a Visitor's Card, we would love to meet you and help you get connected. Please visit tcpca.org/visitor or scan the QR code to the left with your smartphone camera.

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

"You do not understand Christ till you understand His cross."

- P. T. Forsyth

COVER ARTWORK

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Liturgy NotesDo you have questions

about how we worship? This column answers the "what" and "why" of each element of our liturgy.

Call to Worship

call.

The Call to Worship is traditionally the first element in a Christian liturgy, serving as the moment of consecration. God's word is used to invite us into the sacred time of corporate worship, and we respond with our voices as an answer to His

Congregational Singing
A unique aspect of Christian worship is that we sing together. Our singing is an expression of love for God and joy in his gospel. Singing strong hymns grounded in the truths of our theology raises our eyes from awe of the created to awe of the Creator. Scripture commands us to sing. Beautiful voices are not required, but a community joining together to sing truth and

to sing it with passion and convic-

tion is beautiful to our God.

Order of Worship

March 28, 2021 at 9:00AM and 11:00AM

Palm Sunday

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Prelude

Call to Worship

LEADER: Lift up your heads, O gates! Be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

PEOPLE: Lift up your heads, O gates! Lift them up, O ancient doors, that

PEOPLE: Who is this King of glory?

LEADER: The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

Hymn of Rejoicing Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (Sheet Music on Page 9)

the King of glory may come in.

LEADER: Who is this King of glory?

PEOPLE: The LORD Almighty - He is the King of glory!

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Hosanna loud hosanna
The little children sang
Through pillared court and temple
The joyful anthem rang
To Jesus who had blessed them

Close folded to his breast The children sang their praises

The simplest and the best

From Olivet they followed 'Mid an exultant crowd The victor palm-branch waving And chanting clear and loud Bright angels joined the chorus Beyond the cloudless sky Hosanna in the highest Glory to God on high

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The Lord of heaven our King O may we ever praise him With heart and life and voice And in his blissful presence Eternally rejoice O may we ever praise him With heart and life and voice And in his blissful presence Eternally reioice **Welcome & Announcements**

Pastoral Prayer

Hosanna in the Highest That ancient song we sing For Christ is our Redeemer

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER EMPHASIS:

Pray for TCPC and churches throughout the Bluegrass as we enter Holy Week.

The Lord's Prayer

Membership Vows

UNISON: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

11:00 - Myia Dorsey

RENEW Receive the grace of God

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Scripture Reading Zechariah 9:9-13

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation is he,

humble and mounted on a donkey,

I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem: and the battle bow shall be cut off.

and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth. (continue on next page)

Confession of God's People In the Confession of Sin we humbly agree with Scripture's claim that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. This is the most

honest moment of our week, as we

confess our sin and shame togeth-

er. We do this corporately through a unison litany or prayer and in-

dividually through a moment of

silence for private confession.

Repentance of God's People Our time of confession becomes a time of fresh commitment through corporate repentance. Together we boldly turn from all evil and offer our lives again to God. Only say these words if you are indeed will-

ing to repent of your sins.

Assurance of God's Pardon Confession and repentance is always met with the surety of God's grace. The minister proclaims to the penitent community words of pardon from Scripture, assuring our hearts of the grace that is already ours in Christ Jesus.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

For I have bent Judah as my bow; I have made Ephraim its arrow.

and the flowers fall. but the Word of the Lord stands forever.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

I will stir up your sons, O Zion, against your sons, O Greece, and wield you like a warrior's sword.

All men are like grass, their glory like flowers of the field. The grass withers

Confession of God's People

LEADER: Lord Jesus, our humble King, we join with those who welcomed

you into Jerusalem crying out for your salvation... **PEOPLE: Hosanna in the highest!**

LEADER: For our thoughts that betray you, our words that insult you, and our deeds that offend you...

LEADER: For neglecting your kingdom to build our own, defaming your glory to advance our own, misusing your name to exalt our own...

PEOPLE: Hosanna in the highest!

PEOPLE: Hosanna in the highest! LEADER: For sins remembered and sins forgotten... PEOPLE: Hosanna in the highest!

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Do you repent of self-sufficiency?

PEOPLE: We do

LEADER: Do you return to Christ's sufficiency?

PEOPLE: We do

Assurance of God's Pardon from Matthew 11

LEADER: Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

Hymn of Renewal Lift High The Cross George William Kitchin | Michael Robert Newbolt | Sydney Hugo Nicholson ©1990 Hope Publishing Company **REFRAIN:** Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim Till all the world adore His sacred name Come brethren follow where our Savior trod Our King victorious Christ the Son of God (**REFRAIN**) Led on their way by this triumphant sign The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine (**REFRAIN**) O Lord once lifted on the glorious tree As Thou hast promised draw men unto Thee (**REFRAIN**) Thy kingdom come, that earth's despair may cease Beneath the shadow of its healing peace. (**REFRAIN**) For Thy blest cross which doth for all atone Creation's praises rise before Thy throne (**REFRAIN**) **RESPOND** Embrace the call of God Confession of Faith Confession of Faith from Westminster Catechism We confess together the convictional truths of orthodoxy by recit-LEADER: Who is the Redeemer of God's elect? ing the ancient creeds of our faith. PEOPLE: The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, We share these words with saints being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continues to throughout the centuries as well as be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever. those throughout the world today. This also serves as a bold procla-LEADER: What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer? mation to the watching world of PEOPLE: The offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in His what we believe is true. estate of humiliation and exaltation. LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a prophet? PEOPLE: In revealing to us, by His Word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation. LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a priest? PEOPLE: In His once offering up of Himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a king?

restraining and conquering all His and our enemies.

PEOPLE: In subduing us to Himself, in ruling and defending us, and in

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heav'nly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; Amen.

Offering

The offering is received, not merely as a way to pay the bills, but as an act of worship. In response to the God from whom all blessings flow, we give freely, joyfully, and sacrificially to His beloved bride, the Church.

Offertory Prayer

Hymn of Preparation Christ Our Hope In Life And Death (Music on Page 10) Jordan Kauflin | Keith Getty | Matt Boswell | Matt Papa | Matthew Merker © 2020 Getty Music Hymns and Songs

Scripture Reading Matthew 21:1-9

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Until them and bring them to me. 3 If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

5"Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden."

6The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. 7They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. 8 Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

LEADER: The Word of the Lord. PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The preaching of God's Word in the context of holy worship is the primary means of God's voice to His people. Our trust is not in the ability of the preacher, but in the promise that God, by His Spirit working in and through His word, is speaking to us in exceptional ways. Therefore, we open our minds and hearts to the uniquely formative power of ordained preaching.

Sermon Rev. Robert Cunningham, Senior Minister

"Donkey Commentary"

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

PLEASE NOTE:

Communion elements were passed out as you entered the Sanctuary. If you did not receive elements, please raise your hand and they will be brought to you. A gluten-

free option is available as well. **Words of Institution**

MINISTER: Let us together proclaim the hope of the Church:

UNISON: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ shall come again!

MINISTER: I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, and when He

had given thanks, He broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do

this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper, He took the cup

saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Holy Communion

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Hymn of Response O Praise The Name (Anástasis) (Music on Page 11)

Benjamin Hastings | Dean Ussher | Marty Sampson

Benediction

MINISTER: Go love your God; PEOPLE: Go love your neighbor.



Giving Report: For more info, visit tcpca.org/give

February Giving: \$221.971

Total FY Giving (Oct-Feb): February Goal: \$170.098 Total FY Expenses (Oct-Feb): \$1.118.456 Difference: +\$51,873

Difference:

in Christ Jesus!

\$1.082.670

-\$35,786

Benediction

The minister raises His hands and pronounces God's benediction over the congregation, sending them forth with assurance from on high. Stretch forth your hands and open

wide your hearts to receive the abundant blessings that are yours

Communion

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper

is a holy ordinance, wherein Christ

and his gospel are represented and

applied to His people. Though the

bread and wine are not literally the body and blood of Jesus, this meal

is far more than a sentimental reminder. It is spiritual nourish-

ment to our souls and a means of

growth in His grace. Communion is

the family meal of Christians, and all followers of Jesus who are in

good standing with His Church are

invited to partake.

Praver Chain

If you would like to share prayer requests with our church prayer

chain, we would love to pray for vou. Please feel free to send an

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Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

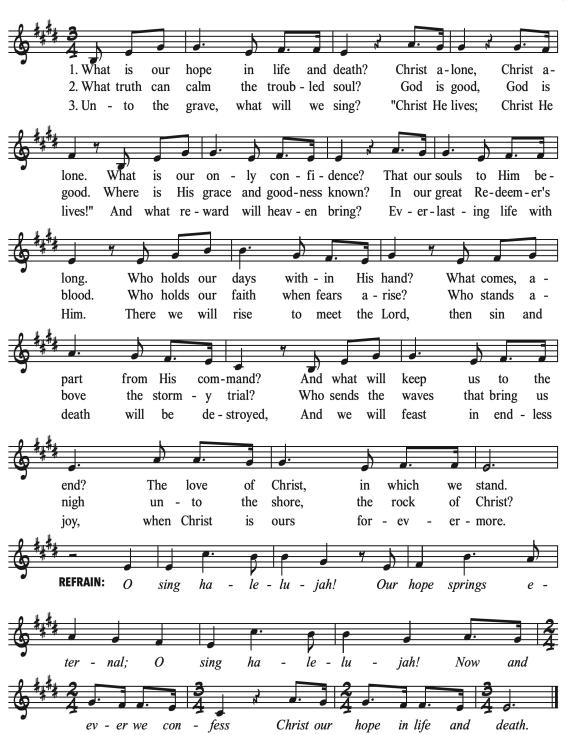
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Announcements

Holy Week Schedule

All services will be in-person in the Sanctuary and also live-streamed on our website.

- April 1 Maundy Thursday Service (7:00 PM)
- April 2 Good Friday Service (12:00 PM)
- April 4 Easter Sunday Services (9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, and 1:00 PM)

Maundy Thursday Missions Offering

Please consider a gift to the Missions General fund! There are two ways to give to the Maundy Thursday Missions Offering:

- Online at tcpca.org/give, any time between today and Maundy Thursday.
- In-person at the Maundy Thursday service on April 1.

Thank you for considering this special way to give to missions at TCPC.

Join the Welcome Team!

Each Sunday, you probably have noticed smiling faces welcoming you at the door, handing out bulletins, and helping you find your seat before each worship service. These men and women are part of our Welcome Team. We are looking for more men and women to help greet people at the door and seat people as they enter the sanctuary. If you want to help TCPC become the warmest place on earth on Sunday mornings, please email Brooke Blackwell at bblackwell@tcpca.org.

Trinity Job Openings

Trinity is looking for qualified, experienced applicants for the following positions for the 2021-22 school year: PreK Teacher; Kindergarten - 3rd Grade Teachers; Lower School PE Teacher; Music Teacher; Lower School - 6th Grade Teacher; Upper School - Algebra I and II; Statistics; Upper School Science - Earth Science, Physical Science, Physics; Instrumental Music Teacher; Theatre Arts Teacher; Director of Fine and Performing Arts; Substitute Teachers. Visit their website to learn more and to apply ("About" menu > "Employment").

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