

# *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.

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## *Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...*

“No pain, no palm;  
no thorns, no throne;  
no gall, no glory;  
no cross, no crown.”

- William Penn

### **COVER ARTWORK**

*Entry into Jerusalem (Fragment)*

Duccio, 1308 - 1311

## Liturgy Notes

Do you have questions about how we worship? This column answers the “what” and “why” of each element of our liturgy.

### PLEASE NOTE:

During responsive readings, the part of the Leader will be in plain text, **and the part of the People will be in bold.**

## Call to Worship

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 call.

## 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 conviction is beautiful to our God.

# Order of Worship

April 2, 2023 at 9:00AM and 11:15AM

Palm Sunday

**REJOICE** Declare the praises of God

**Call to Worship** from Zechariah 9:9 and John 1:29

Rejoice greatly Oh Daughter of Zion! Shout aloud Oh Daughter of Jerusalem!

**Behold, your king is coming to you.**

Behold, the Lamb of God

**Who takes away the sin of the world!**

**Hymn of Rejoicing** *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

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Hosanna loud hosanna  
The little children sang  
Through pillared court and temple  
The lovely 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  
The Lord of men and angels  
Rode on in lowly state  
Nor scorned that little children  
Should on His bidding wait

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

# Welcome & Announcements

## Choir Anthem *The Lord is My Salvation*

By Getty, Nockels and Myrin; arr. Grassi

*The grace of God has reached for me, and pulled me from the raging sea. And I am safe on this solid ground: the Lord is my salvation. I will not fear when darkness falls, His strength will help me scale these walls. I'll see the dawn of the rising sun: the Lord is my Salvation. Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faithful in love. My debt is paid and the vict'ry won: the Lord is my Salvation. My hope is hidden in the Lord, He keeps each promise of His Word. When winter fades, I know spring will come: the Lord is my Salvation. In times of waiting, times of need, when I know loss, when I am weak. I know His grace will renew these days: the Lord is my salvation. Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faithful in love. My debt is paid and the vict'ry won: the Lord is my salvation. And when I reach my final day, He will not leave me in the grave. But I will rise, He will call me home: the Lord is my Salvation. Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faithful in love. My debt is paid and the vict'ry won: the Lord is my salvation. Glory be to God, the Father, glory be to God the Son, glory be to God, the Spirit; the Lord is my salvation. Glory be to God!*

## RENEW Receive the grace of God

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### Scripture Reading Psalm 24 (Pew Bible p. 458)

All men are like grass, their glory like flowers of the field. The grass withers and the flowers fall, **but the Word of the Lord stands forever.**

### Confession of God's People

Lord Jesus, our humble King, we join with those who welcomed You into Jerusalem crying out for Your salvation...

#### **Hosanna in the highest!**

For our thoughts that betray You, our words that insult You, and our deeds that grieve You...

#### **Hosanna in the highest!**

For neglecting Your kingdom to build our own, defaming Your glory to advance our own, slandering Your name to exalt our own...

#### **Hosanna in the highest!**

For sins remembered and sins forgotten...

#### **Hosanna in the highest!**

- *Silent Prayers of Confession* -

### 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 together. We do this corporately through a unison litany or prayer and individually through a moment of silence for private confession.

## Repentance of God's People

Has your strength failed you? **Always**

Has your Savior failed you? **Never**

Do you repent of your self-lordship and return to Christ's lordship? **We do**

## Assurance of God's Pardon from Matthew 11

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.

## Greeting of the Peace of Christ

## Hymn of Renewal *All Must Be Well* (Sheet Music on Page 10)

Words by Mary Bowley-Peters, 1847

Music by Matthew S. Smith, 2007

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Through the love of God our Savior, all will be well  
Free and changeless is His favor, all is well  
Precious is the blood that healed us  
Perfect is the grace that sealed us  
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us  
All must be well

Though we pass through tribulation, all will be well  
Ours is such a full salvation, all is well  
Happy still in God confiding  
Fruitful if in Christ abiding  
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding  
All must be well

By His Son we will find favor, all will be well.  
Unified in Christ our Savior, all is well;  
Hand in hand we'll walk together,  
Seeking unity forever,  
To His side may we be tethered  
All will be well

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## 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 willing 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.

We expect a bright tomorrow; all will be well  
Faith can sing through days of sorrow, all is well  
On our Father's love relying  
Jesus every need supplying  
Yes in living or in dying  
All must be well  
*On our Father's love relying*  
*Jesus every need supplying*  
*Yes in living or in dying*  
*All must be well*

## **RESPOND** Embrace the call of God

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### **Confession of Faith** The Apostles Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic<sup>†</sup> Church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*<sup>†</sup> Worldwide communion of faith, past, present, and future.*

### **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.

### **Offertory Prayer**

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#### **Confession of Faith**

We confess together the convictional truths of orthodoxy by reciting the ancient creeds of our faith. We share these words with saints throughout the centuries as well as those throughout the world today. This also serves as a bold proclamation to the watching world of what we believe is true.

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#### **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 Solo *There Is A Higher Throne*

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*There is a higher throne than all this world has known, where faithful ones from ev'ry tongue will one day come. Before the Son we stand, made faultless through the Lamb; believing hearts find promised grace—salvation comes. Hear heaven's voices sing; their thund'rous anthem rings through em'rald courts and sapphire skies. Their praises rise. All glory, wisdom, pow'r, strength, thanks, and honor are to God our King, who reigns on high forevermore. And there we'll find our home, our life before the throne; we'll honor Him in perfect song where we belong. He'll wipe each tear-stained eye as thirst and hunger die. The Lamb becomes our Shepherd King; we'll reign with Him.*

### **GOSPEL STORYTIME**

*At this time, children ages 4 - Kindergarten may be dismissed to Room 103 for prayer, singing, and a lesson from the Gospel Story Bible. They will return to the Sanctuary at the end of the sermon to be with their families during Communion.*

## Scripture Reading John 12:1-19 (p. 898)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon Rev. Will Witherington

**“The Triumph of Jesus’ Entry”**

## The Lord’s Prayer

**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.**

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

You will be released from your pew to come forward and receive the communion elements, and we will take the elements together once everyone has been served.

## Words of Institution

Let us together proclaim the hope of the Church:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ shall come again!**

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### 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.

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

### Hymn of Response *Good And Gracious King* (Sheet Music on Page 11)

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I approach the throne of glory  
Nothing in my hands I bring  
But the promise of acceptance  
From a good and gracious King

I will give to You my burden  
As You give to me Your strength  
Come and fill me with Your Spirit  
As I sing to You this praise

#### **REFRAIN:**

*You deserve the greater glory  
Overcome I lift my voice  
To the King in need of nothing  
Empty handed I rejoice  
You deserve the greater glory  
Overcome with joy I sing  
By Your love I am accepted  
You're a good and gracious King*

O what grace that You would see me  
As Your child and as Your friend  
Safe secure in You forever  
I pour out my praise again (**REFRAIN**)

## Benediction

Go love your God. **Go love your neighbor.**



### 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 nourishment 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.

### Prayer Chain

If you would like to share prayer requests with our church prayer chain, we would love to pray for you. Please feel free to send an email to:

Kathryn Lyon  
[KRL40502@aol.com](mailto:KRL40502@aol.com)

Janet Whitley  
[janetjwhitley@gmail.com](mailto:janetjwhitley@gmail.com)

### ACCESS Prayer Group

The Access Prayer Group meets each Thursday at noon to pray for our church and our community. Send prayer requests to:

Jodi Hicks  
[epnjphicks@twc.com](mailto:epnjphicks@twc.com)



# Announcements

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## Maundy Thursday Missions Offering

Each year during the Maundy Thursday service, we collect a special missions offering that goes directly towards meeting needs of our global missions partners and ministries above and beyond our missions budget. There are two ways to give to the Maundy Thursday Missions Offering:

- **Scan this QR code** to give online any time between today and Maundy Thursday.
- **Give in-person** at the Maundy Thursday service on April 6.

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



## Foundations Membership Class on April 21-22

Registration is open for our next "Foundations" membership class on April 21 and 22. The sessions will take place Friday night and Saturday morning, with Friday dinner and Saturday breakfast provided. We invite anyone who is interested in pursuing membership and learning more about our church history and theology. Scan this QR code to sign up, and email Nate Jones with any questions at [njones@tcpca.org](mailto:njones@tcpca.org).



## Giving Report

 For more information, visit [tcpca.org/give](http://tcpca.org/give).

February Giving:	\$214,890	FY Giving from Oct-Feb:	\$1,166,458
February Goal:	\$218,306	Giving Goal for Oct-Feb:	\$1,255,258
<b>Difference:</b>	<b>-\$3,416</b>	<b>Difference:</b>	<b>-\$88,800</b>
		<b>FY Giving Goal (Oct-Sep):</b>	<b>\$2,728,820</b>

## Officers On Duty

 Today's points of contact for spiritual or physical needs.

**Elder on duty:**  
David Cowen

**Deacons on duty:**  
Mark Deicher and Drew Farr

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Through the love of God our Sav - ior, all will be\_\_  
Though we pass through trib - u - la - tion, all will be\_\_  
By His Son we will find fa - vor all will be\_\_  
We ex - pect a bright to - mor - row, all will be\_\_




\_\_well. Free and change - less is His fav - or, all\_\_ is  
\_\_well Ours is such a full sal - va - tion, all\_\_ is  
\_\_well. Un - i - fied in Christ our Sav - ior, all\_\_ is  
\_\_well. Faith can sing through days of sor - row, all\_\_ is



\_\_ well; Pre - cious is the blood that  
\_\_ well; Hap - py still in God con -  
\_\_ well; Hand in hand we'll walk to -  
\_\_ well; On our Fa - ther's love re -



healed us, per - fect is the grace that sealed\_\_ us, strong the  
fi - ding, fruit - ful if in Christ a - bid - ing, stead - fast  
geth - er, seek - ing un - it - y for - ev - er, to His  
ly - ing, Je - sus ev - 'ry need sup - ply - ing yes in



hand stretched forth to shield us, all must be\_\_well.  
through the Spi - rit's guid - ing, all must be\_\_well.  
side may we be teth - ered, all will be\_\_well.  
liv - ing and in dy - ing, all will be\_\_well.

# Good And Gracious King

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1. I ap - proach the throne of glo - ry; noth - ing in my hands I  
2. I will give to You my bur - den as You give to me Your  
3. O what grace that You would see me as Your child and as Your



bring, but the promise of ac - cept - ance from a good and gra - cious King.  
strength; come and fill me with Your Spi - rit as I sing to You this praise.  
friend. Safe, se - cure in You for - ev - er I pour out my praise a - gain.

Refrain (after V.2,3)



You de - serve the great - er glo - ry. O - ver - come, I lift my voice



to the King in need of noth - ing, emp - ty hand - ed I re - joice.



You de - serve the great - er glo - ry. O - ver - come with joy I sing.



By Your love I am ac - cept - ed. You're a good and gra - cious King.

# Holy Week Services



## Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 6 at 7:00 PM

*Childcare will not be provided during this service.*



## Good Friday

Friday, April 7 at 12:00 PM

*Childcare will not be provided during this service.*



## Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 9 at 9:00 & 11:15 AM

*Adult and Children's Sunday School classes will NOT meet on Easter.*

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