

TRINITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (PCA)

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Worship for the Lord's Day

Palm Sunday

March 28th, 2021 • 10:45 A.M.

Trinity Fellowship Church exists to glorify God by equipping a community of believers to worship God and be witnesses of Him in Central Arkansas and to the ends of the earth.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“Those who went before and those who followed were shouting, ‘Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!’”

– Mark 11:9–10

Zechariah 9:9, which foretells the arrival of the Messiah on a donkey, was fulfilled on the first Palm Sunday. The crowd’s response to Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem shows that they were aware of the messianic claims He was making. They spread their cloaks on the road, which recalls how the people acclaimed Jehu as king hundreds of years earlier by placing their garments on the steps of Jehu’s house. Also, the crowd that came into Jerusalem with Jesus cried out as He came: “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”. “Hosanna!” means “Save!” in Hebrew. The people understood that if Jesus were the Davidic king, redemption would be His work.

However, the people who acclaimed Jesus on that first Palm Sunday did not correctly understand the salvation He would bring. They were looking for “the coming kingdom of our father David,” not the kingdom of God that Jesus came to inaugurate. They were looking merely for a return to the glory days of Israel—a kingdom that was primarily physical and geopolitical in nature. However, as Jesus taught, the kingdom of God does not come in that way. It is a spiritual reality before it is a physical reality. The cries of the people on the first Palm Sunday show that they did not understand this, foreshadowing their eventual rejection of Jesus as their king.

The people on the first Palm Sunday did not understand the nature of Christ’s kingdom or salvation. Nevertheless, they were correct to acclaim the Davidic king as the bringer of salvation. Only Jesus the Messiah can redeem us from all His and our enemies—the world, the flesh, and the devil. We cannot save ourselves. Let us trust Him this day, and let us proclaim to the world that He is the only Savior.

Celebration of Worship

Greeting and Announcements

Announcements can be found on page 7

Prelude

*During this time, be prayerful and reverent in preparation
for the worship of our holy God in His sanctuary.
(Please silence all phones and electronic devices.)*

† Call to Worship

Zechariah 9:9

Leader: *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, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.*

† Hymn of Praise

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Hymns of Grace

Nº 260

† Prayer of Invocation

Call to Confession

John 12:12–13, 19:14–15

Leader: *A large crowd heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of
palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out,*

Unison: “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even
the King of Israel!”



Leader: *Pilate said to the Jews, “Behold your King!” They cried out,*

Unison: “Away with him, away with him, crucify him!”

† Please stand, as able

Leader: *Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered,*
Unison: "We have no king but Caesar."

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Unison: Loving God, you rode a donkey and came in peace, humbled yourself and gave yourself for us. We confess our lack of humility. As you entered Jerusalem, the crowds shouted "Hosanna: 'Save us now!'" On Good Friday, they shouted "Crucify!" We confess our praise is often empty. We sing "Hosanna," but cry "Crucify." As the crowd laid their palms in front of you, you took no glory for yourself. We confess that we want to be accepted and take the easy way. We do not stay true to your will. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to follow in the way of obedience. Amen.

Individual Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

1 John 4:9–10

Leader: *In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.*

† Hymn of Trust

Hymns of Grace

My Song Is Love Unknown

Nº 202

Children's Message

Children are invited to come forward during this time.

Prayers of the People

*God calls us to be a praying people.
Let us join in prayer, offering our praise,
thanksgiving, and intercession to God.*

Offertory

Our offering is an act of worship in which we express our gratitude and reliance on God.

For those of you who are guests with us today, giving is not obligatory.

*We are eager to share with you more about our church and its ministry
and to invite you to participate with us as you are called by God.*

*Tithes and offerings may be placed in the plates in the narthex,
or you may give online at trinityfellowshipppca.org/give,
or by texting GIVE to 501-456-4896.*

† Doxology

Hymns of Grace

Nº 440

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

† Prayer of Dedication

Reading of Scripture

ESV Pew Bible

Ecclesiastes 9:13–10:20

pp. 558–559

Sermon

“Wisdom from the Highest Place”

Rev. Brad DeVries

† Hymn of Response

Hymns of Grace

The Perfect Wisdom of Our God

Nº 25

† Benediction

† Recessional Hymn

Hymns of Grace

Benediction (v. 1)

Nº 438

May the peace of God our Heav'nly Father,
and the grace of Christ the risen Son,
And the fellowship of God the Spirit
keep our hearts and minds within His love.
And to Him be praise for His glorious reign,
from the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n;
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain,
Christ eternal, the King of kings.

Postlude

*As you leave the sanctuary today, may you know the hope to which God has called you,
experience the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,
and trust his incomparably great power for us who believe.*

*Please help us love our community by recycling your unneeded bulletins as you leave.
A recycling bin is located by the door in the narthex.*

We are scheduled to celebrate the Lord's Supper on Good Friday. Let us therefore follow Paul's admonition in 1 Corinthians 11:27–29 to partake of the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner by examining ourselves before the Lord. The Westminster Shorter Catechism states, "It is required of them that would worthily partake of the Lord's Supper, that they examine themselves of their knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of their faith to feed upon Him, of their repentance, love, and new obedience; lest, coming unworthily, they eat and drink judgment to themselves."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Newsletter Articles ▶ Today is the final day to submit articles for the April Newsletter. Articles should be submitted via email to Heath Warbritton.

Good Friday Service ▶ Our Good Friday Service will be Friday, April 2nd, at 5:00 P.M.

Easter Schedule ▶ Our annual Easter Breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 4th, at 9:30 A.M. Ron Plate and Ed Sartain will be providing the meal. Our Easter Service will follow at 10:15 A.M.



Women's Bible Study ▶ The Women's Bible Study meets weekly on Wednesdays at the church. The morning group meets at 9:30 and the evening group meets at 6:30. Contact Katie DeVries for more information.

Men's Prayer Group ▶ The Men's Prayer Group meets weekly on Thursdays at 6:00 A.M. at the church. Contact Ron Plate for more information.

PARAMENTS

Liturgical colors have an instructional purpose and point us to the life of Christ and the great acts of redemptive history.

These colored hangings, called paraments, adorn the pulpit, communion table, and baptismal font.

Red represents sacrifice and zeal.

It is displayed during Holy Week.

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