

The Worship of God

GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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Palm Sunday • April 2, 2023 • 10:30 AM

GATHERING & REFLECTING (10:20 AM)

“No one has time for this, of course. No one has time to lie on the deck watching stars, or to wonder how one’s hand came to be, or to see the soul of a stranger walking by. Small wonder we are short on reverence. The artist Georgia O’Keeffe, who became famous for her sensuous paintings of flowers, explained her success by saying, “In a way, nobody sees a flower, really, it is so small, we haven’t time—and to see takes time, like to have a friend takes time.”

- Barbara Brown Taylor, *An Altar in the World*

CHIMING THE TRINITY

Ruth Caudill

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sheryl Johnson

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever.

Many: Hosanna to God, Hosanna in the highest!

One: Let Israel say, “His love endures forever!” and all who fear God say, “His love endures forever!”

Many: Hosanna to God, Hosanna in the highest!

One: With the Lord on our side, what can we fear? What can humankind do?

Many: Hosanna to God, Hosanna in the highest!

One: We shall triumph over those who surround us and stand in confidence in the Lord, our God!

Many: Hosanna to God, Hosanna in the highest!

One: The Lord is our strength and our might. The Lord has become our salvation!

Many: Hosanna to God, Hosanna in the highest!

INVOCATION PRAYER

HYMN No. 192

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

ST. THEODULPH

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Sheryl Johnson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER (ALL)

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;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.

Amen.

LENTEN CHORUS No. 211

“Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”

LONESOME VALLEY

Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself;
O, nobody else could walk it for him, he had to walk it by himself.

CONFESSION

**O Lord, who on this day entered the city that later rejected you:
we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem’s,
that our faith is often more show than substance,
that our hearts are in need of cleansing.
Have mercy on us, son of David, Savior of our lives.
Help us to lay at your feet
all that we have and all that we are, trusting you
to forgive what is sinful,
to heal what is broken,
to welcome our praises,
and to receive us as your own.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Many: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

EXTINGUISH THE CANDLE

HYMN No. 190

“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”

STORIES OF JESUS

SCRIPTURE

[Matthew 21:1-11](#)

Anita Laffoon

SERMON

“Tell Me What You See”

Anita Laffoon

Reverence

HOLY COMMUNION

TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE

“Hosanna” from *Jesus Christ, Superstar*

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DEACON ORDINATION

Tracy Cady

ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

HYMN No. 191

“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!”

CANONBURY

BENEDICTION

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ is with you.

Many: And also with you...

Announcements

Metro Richmond at Prayer

During the week of April 2, we pray for the Spirit of the Resurrection in Metropolitan Richmond: For a spirit of love, cooperation, peace, community, and commitment to all people in God's name.

Pray for our Ministry Partners

Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy is the largest statewide advocacy voice for the faith community in Virginia. The organization focuses primarily on issues of racial, social, and economic justice. They include Virginians of all faiths including people who identify as Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Sikh, Buddhist, Bahai, humanist, "spiritual, not religious," "religious none," and people of goodwill.

Holy Week

Palm Sunday (April 2) – Worship at 10:30am, CHUMC Fellowship Hall

Good Friday (April 7) – Worship at 7pm, CHUMC Fellowship Hall

Easter Sunday (April 9) – Worship at 10:30am, CHUMC Fellowship Hall (with breakfast)

Worship isn't the same without you...

...and we'd love to have your help! We need volunteers to help on Sunday mornings by leading the Call to Worship and the Prayers of the People, and to facilitate the Zoom room. Contact Anita to sign up (alaffoon@ginterparkbc.org)!

Study Opportunities

- Thursday mornings at 10am - the book of Acts
- Sunday mornings at 9am - *Do I Stay Christian?* By Brian McLaren
- Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm - *Wholehearted Faith* by Rachel Held Evans

Page Turners Book Club

A new book has been chosen! The book to read and discuss in May is *The Reading List* by Sarah Nisha Adams. We will meet on May 21st at 4pm.

Back Pack Update!

Keep bringing in those grocery bags!!! We are packing 36 double bags each week! If you have questions about the process let Dixie know! Contact information can be found on REALM.

Hymn Texts

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All Glory, Laud and Honor

All glory, laud and honor to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
You are a child of Israel, Great David's greater Son;
you ride in lowly triumph, Messiah, blessed One!

The company of angels are praising you on high,
and, we with all creation in chorus make reply.
The people of the Hebrews with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present.

To you, before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
to you, now high exalted, our melody we raise.
As you received their praises, now hear us as we pray.
Since you delight in goodness, rule in our hearts today.

Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear;
things I would ask him to tell me if he were here:
scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

First let me hear how the children stood round his knee,
and I shall fancy his blessing resting on me;
words full of kindness, deeds full of grace,
all in the lovelight of Jesus' face.

Into the city I'd follow the children's band,
waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand;
one of his heralds, yes, I would sing
loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King!"

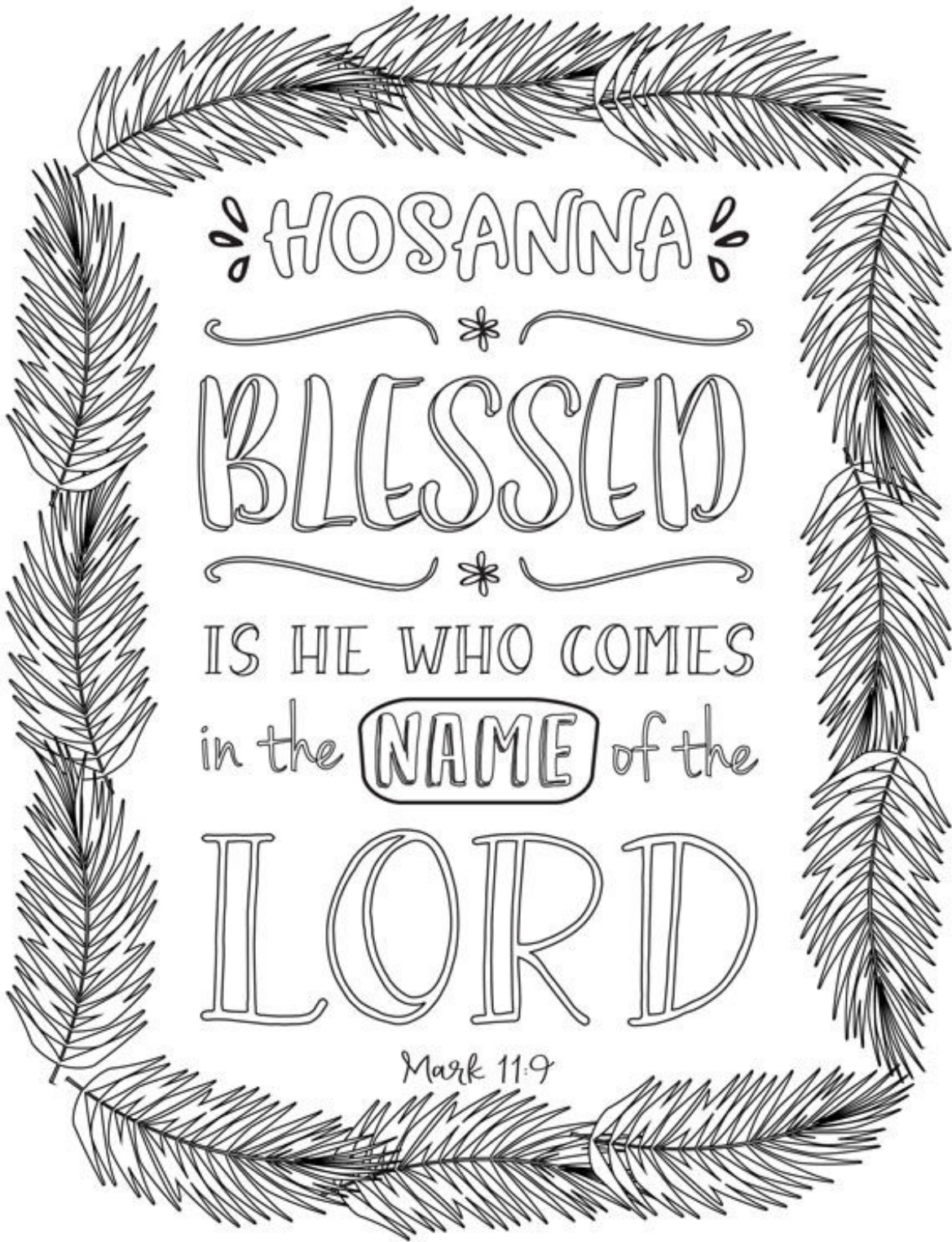
Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!

Ride on, ride on in majesty! As all the crowds hosanna cry;
through waving branches slowly ride, O Savior, to be crucified.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die;
O Christ, your triumph now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! The angel armies of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes to see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Your last and fiercest foe defy;
bow your meek head to mortal pain, then take, O God, your power and reign.



HOSANNA



BLESSED



IS HE WHO COMES
in the **NAME** of the

LORD

Mark 11:9