



Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

April 14, 2019, 10:00 AM
Palm Sunday Welcoming New Church Members

Gather in God's Name

*Thank you for silencing all mobile phones. * Stand as you are able. Please sign the fellowship pad, found on the chair on the center aisle. When all have signed, pass the pad back to the center.*

**Palm Sunday Processional Song* Worshipers will gather under the ramada and sing while processing into the church sanctuary. Those who wish to be seated in the sanctuary before the procession begins may do so.

Choir Anthem

Palm Sunday Hosanna

Arr. Joel Raney

Welcome, Announcements, Introductions of Guests and Visitors

Minute for Mission

One Great Hour of Sharing

Laura Carey

Call to Worship and Prayer (Responsive)

Worship Co-Leader: Carlton Wiens

Jesus is preparing to enter Jerusalem.

How will we greet him? Will we follow him all the way to the Cross?

Jesus lived what he taught, even when it led to his death.

**He lived with an abiding awareness of God,
radiating light through all he said and did.**

That light was too much for the world.

Even today, forces conspire to put out the light.

Following Jesus means entering into his courage and his pain.

Let us turn to God for strength and help.

You build us up, O God, and set us on firm ground.

You never reject those who sincerely turn to you.

Jesus rejected no one, yet people rejected him.

Make us aware of the ways we have rejected others.

**Awaken us to the destruction we have caused or allowed,
and move our hearts in a new direction.**

Bring forth the goodness within us

that comes from you, our Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer.

(Please pause to offer a silent prayer.)

O God, you gather the outcasts and bind up the wounded.
The parts of ourselves that we reject and disown,
you dignify by your grace. Blessed is your name,
and blessed are those who follow Jesus, even to his cross. Amen.
(Quiet prayer and reflection)

Sung Response

Tune: 471

O Lord, hear my prayer; O Lord, hear my prayer.
When I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer; O Lord, hear my prayer.
Come and listen to me.

Words of Assurance (responsive, based on Psalm 118:22-24)

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
This is the day that the Lord has made;
we will rejoice and be glad in it! Amen.

***Sung Response**

Tune: 2276

Glory to God in the highest!
Sing glory to God!
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth!

***The Passing of Christ's Peace**

The peace of Jesus Christ be with you...and also with you.
Please turn to your neighbor and share a sign of Christ's peace.

The Welcome of New Church Members

Introducing: *Bruce Clarke, Roberta Davila, Therese Griffin, Mary Ann Luini,
Suzie Phelps, Bonnie Vastag and Harold Vastag*

Congregational Affirmation *The people will respond: We will!*

Prayer

Hand Bell Anthem

All Glory, Laud, and Honor
Mountain Shadows Hand Bell Choir

Jason Krug

Proclaim God's Word

Gospel Reading

Luke 19:28-40

(N.T. pg. 78; lg. print pg. 101)

Response

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Palm Sunday People

Rev. Rachel Srubas

*** Hymn #319**

Shout to the North

Respond to God

Invitation to the Offering

God invites us to be faithful disciples of Jesus.
As people long ago laid down palms in his honor,
may we present offerings to support Christ's work through the church.
Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one whom we honor with our gifts.

The Offertory

When Jesus Wept

Morton & Billings

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Christ, all people here below.
Praise Holy Spirit ever more.
Praise God, triune, whom we adore! Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

O God, at the height of Jesus' ministry,
people honored him and shouted your praises.
Like them, we want to contribute to your realm on earth.
Accept our offerings as a sign of our love and gratitude,
and our desire to share in your life-giving mission in the world.
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Give Thanks to God

The Sharing of Joys and Concerns

You are invited to speak your prayer requests first on behalf of the wider world; then for those close to you, and for yourself.

The People's Prayer and 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.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Go in God's Name

*Hymn #852

When the Lord Redeems the Very Least

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent
Mountain Shadows Hand Bell Choir

Martha Thompson

The Worship has ended. The Service begins.