

Palm/ Passion Sunday

April 10, 2022

9:00 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you. If you are visiting with us, please introduce yourself to the pastor following the service.

*Congregation standing for those who are able

Our Approach to God

Prelude *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* arr. Sondra Tucker
JuBELLation Choir

The Call to Worship

They brought the colt of a donkey to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it.

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna!
Hosanna in the highest!**

This is the day the Lord has made.

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest! Let us rejoice and be glad.

Hosanna!

Hosanna in the highest!

*The Hymn of Praise *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* 89
Congregation sings verses 1 & 3

*The Call to Confession

We come with our praises, yet we fall short of the glory of God. Sin stains even our best intentions, but God refuses to let sin have the last word. With faith and hope, let us seek God's forgiveness.

*The Prayer of Confession

Triumphant God, we join the crowds of the ages in shouting your praises. While our lips give you glory, our lives seldom reflect your purposes. We sing easily of your greatness but living faithfully is often beyond us. We hear of your salvation, yet sin is still close and real, daily leading us away from you.

Hear us Lord as we approach you from the silence of hearts with our individual intentions (Silence).

O Lord, have mercy on us. Ride into our hearts with healing grace. Forgive what we have done and direct who we shall be. Amen.

*The Assurance of Pardon

He who rode into Jerusalem, struggled on the cross, and was sealed in a tomb is risen from the dead!

Jesus Christ has defeated sin forever.

This is good news!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

*The Response *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* 280
**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.**

The Anthem *Antiphonal Hosanna* G. Alan Smith
Chancel Choir

The Word of God

The Time with the Children

The Psalm Psalm 31:9-16 page 612 OT

The Gospel Reading Luke 19:28-40 page 111 NT

The Sermon "The Special Parade" The Youth & Pastor Philomena

Our Response to Serve

*The Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed (Traditional) Hymnal Page 14

*The Hymn *Ride On! Ride On in Majesty* 91
Congregation sings verses 1 & 4

The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (using sins)

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory *My Song Is Love Unknown* John Ireland

*The Doxology

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

*The Prayer of Dedication

*The Charge and Benediction

*Postlude *Antiphonal Hosanna (Reprise)* G. Alan Smith

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Liturgist: Yaw Poku, Gannon Sova, Isaiah Sova & Sophia Swope

Greeters: The Youth

The flowers today are in loving memory of Sally Gross from Alan & Linda Poplewski

The Prayer Group will not meet for the month of April. The group meetings will resume Thursday, May 5 @ 8:30 a.m.

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Announcements and Upcoming Event

Wednesday Lenten Services

During the Season of Lent, the weekly Wednesday Worship service will be in person and live streamed at 6:30 p.m. The focus is The Symbols of Lenten Journey. Below is the Weekly Words with Scriptures:

Week 6- April 13 "The Coats, Towel, Thorns" Luke 19:29-40

Maundy Thursday Worship at 7:00pm

Our Maundy Thursday worship will be a joint service with **First Presbyterian Church at their church 121 S. Hamilton Street @ 7:00 p.m.** The service will be both in person and streamed live on First Presbyterian Church's You-Tube channel.



MAUNDY THURSDAY

Good Friday Worship

The Good Friday Ecumenical services will be held on April 15, at First United Methodist Church, 4790 Gratiot at 12:00p.m. and 12:30p.m.



GOOD FRIDAY

Resurrection Prayer Vigil on Holy Saturday – April 16

The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective (James 5:16b). Please sign up to pray together non-stop around the hour from 10:00a.m.- 2:00p.m. in the sanctuary. **Green Sheet:** The green sheet enclosed is for you to write what you would like to bring to the Cross. Please drop it off in the offering box or mail to the church by April 10 – Palm Sunday.

Easter Sunday, April 17 - Worship at 9:00 a.m.

Come and worship with us on Easter Sunday! Our service of worship will be at 9:00 a.m. There will be no Sunday school on Easter and children and youth are encouraged to worship with their family. We will also present the Confirmation Class of 2022. Isaiah Sova, Gannon Sova, Sofia Swope, and Yaw Poku. Please welcome them into the Second Presbyterian Church family.



April Mission

The mission and stewardship focus for April is the First Presbyterian Church food pantry. Donations of non-perishable food items as well as monetary donations will be collected through April 24th.

Old Town Soup Kitchen

For those who are interested in volunteering at the Old Town Soup Kitchen, please see the signup sheet on the mission table. We will have a rotating schedule the first week of each month. Old Town Christian Outreach is a wonderful organization committed to helping those in need. It's a lot of fun, a little hard work, great fellowship, and the spirit of helping others!

Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers for the following tasks:

- Greeters
- Liturgist
- Ushers

We also need volunteers to mow the lawn. We work in teams of 2 and the more teams we have, the fewer weeks you will have to mow. Please call the office if you are interested.

SERRV Sale



The SERRV merchandise is displayed in the gathering area. We have many new items and wonderful gift ideas. Please consider shopping and supporting the artisans. 25 % of the proceeds will go to support the Mission projects we as a congregation contribute to throughout the year. Cash or check only.

New email addresses for the church staff:

secretary@spcsaginaw.org - Sonia Hoepfner – for all church business except financial
finance@spcsaginaw.org – Ken Morris & Adam Engel - for all financial business and questions (i.e. statements)