

The Order of Worship

**March 28, 2010
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

When the prelude begins let us quietly prepare for the Worship of God.

PRELUDE Pavan-Almand and Ayre
(from *Music for King Charles II*)
Brass Choir
Matthew Locke

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O come, let us sing to the LORD, and shout with joy to the rock of our salvation.
People: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing songs of praise.
Leader: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD.
People: Hosanna in the highest!

INTROIT Hosanna in the Highest
Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!
Hal H. Hopson

Mark 11:9,10b

Cindy Serbin and Renee Wiesehuegel, Handbells

LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Luke 19:28-40

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 155** (red hymnal) All Glory, Laud, and Honor
St. Theodulph

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Often our faith is as fickle as the crowds in Jerusalem who shout "Hosanna in the Highest" one moment and "Crucify him" the next. Have mercy on us, O God. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Amen.

***MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION**

***KYRIE ELEISON**

John L. Bell

Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***RESPONSE** Of the Father's Love Begotten

Divinum mysterium

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING

Selections from Luke, chapter 23

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Deborah Phillips

Children age 4 through 3rd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children's Worship. A nursery is available during the entire service for infants through age 3.

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 2:5-11

SERMON

"Sorrow and Love Flow Mingled Down"

Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

***HYMN NO. 101** (blue hymnal) When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Hamburg

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)

Jesus was what we are. He felt deeply the joy of friendship and the hurt of being rejected. Jesus prayed, struggled with temptation, knew anger, and was subject to suffering and death. Jesus was what we should be. He served God with complete trust. He loved all kinds of people and accepted their love. In constant dependence upon the Holy Spirit, Jesus allowed no temptation or threat to keep him from loving God with his whole being and his neighbor as himself. We recognize in Jesus what God created us to be. He exposes our failure to live as he lived. He demonstrates the new humanity God promises to give us through him. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ... The Lord's Prayer

(During the Prayers of the People there will be a time of silence. You are invited to use this time for personal reflection, confession, thanksgiving, and prayer.)

THE OFFERING

Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle. If you would like to receive our newsletter or more information about the church, include your address, phone number and email address. As many of us contribute electronically or by a check in the mail, your holding and passing the offering plate is an act of blessing and dedication to our life together in Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Hosanna to the Son of David

Arthur Hutchings

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Matthew 21:9

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology No. 514 (red hymnal) *Old Hundredth*
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.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 370** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Just as I Am, Without One Plea *Woodworth*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586** (blue hymnal) Amen *Danish melody*

***POSTLUDE** Alla Marcia *John Ireland*

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP here today.

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK are Judy Jorden and Lee Ingram.

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR MARCH: Janice Rawe

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR APRIL: Carlene Robinson

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS are available from the ushers.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Leah Woehr and Laura Mjekiqi

GREETERS (11:00): Joyce Ryan and Deborah Phillips

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

(9:00) Nursery Staff

(11:00) Nancy Duckles and Cameron Sears, Delaney and Aidan Sears

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Brass and Chancel Choirs

SENIOR USHER: Marlene Browning

USHERS:

(9:00) Daniel Berry and Suzanne Graham

(11:00) Joyce and Tim Ryan, Jay Schmid, Scott Rutherford, Irene Seidner

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Marty Pryor in memory of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Clarence Anderson, and to the glory of God in this Easter season.

OUR THANKS to Cindy Serbin and Renee Wiesehuegel for their enrichment of our worship this morning as they accompany the Chancel Choir.

ARTHUR HUTCHINGS (1906-1989) was an English author and composer teaching at Durham University and later at Exeter. He is perhaps best known for his books on Delius, Schubert, and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's piano concerti.

ORGANIST JOHN GREW will be heard in recital at Westminster Church on Friday evening, April 9, at 8:00 as part of this season's *Musica Organi* series. Mr. Grew is Professor of Organ and University Organist at McGill University in Montréal and an internationally active concert organist. The recital is cosponsored by the Knoxville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Admission is free and the congregation is cordially invited to attend. A nursery will be provided. Do come join us that evening!

A STATED SESSION MEETING will be held today at 12:15 p.m. in the McKinnon Room.

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY for the adult Sunday School class studying *Christianity for the Rest of Us: How the Neighborhood Church is Transforming the Faith* by Diana Butler Bass. We are finishing up the book and discussing any key insights we have gained during the past several weeks.

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed Friday, April 2 in observance of Good Friday, and will reopen on Monday, April 5 at 9:00 a.m.

COMMUNITY CHEST is in need of shoes and household items such as small appliances, dishes and glasses. A collection will take place Saturday, April 3 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 800 Northshore Drive. The goal of Community Chest is to sell needed items to those in distressed situations at the lowest prices possible.

A NEW COMPANIONS IN CHRIST CLASS begins April 7. Books for the class have been ordered but are not available yet.

BOOKS FOR THE ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS that runs April 11-May 23 are available in the office. We will be studying John Ortberg's book, *If You Want to Walk on Water, You Have to Get Out of the Boat*. The cost of the book is \$8.

ON EASTER MORNING, the Flower Guild requests that we bring freshly cut flowers from our yards and gardens to decorate the cross outside the sanctuary. We have posted a 2009 photo of the cross on the bulletin board in the Schilling Gallery. Please help us create such a beautiful floral offering again this Easter.



Schedule for Holy Week

- *March 31*
Conclusion of Wednesday Lenten Series
We will share a simple meal of soup and bread at 5:45 p.m. followed by a brief, reflective time of song, scripture and prayer.
- *April 1*
Maundy Thursday
Worship and Celebration of Communion - 8:00 p.m.
- *April 4*
Easter Sunday
Worship - 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Easter Breakfast - 10:00 a.m.
Join us in the Fellowship Hall for our annual Easter Breakfast.

THE CHILDREN’S EASTER EGG HUNT is Sunday, April 4. We begin at 10:20 a.m. for ages 1-5 and at 10:40 a.m. for Kindergarten through 5th grade. Each group will meet at the entrance near the office at the designated time. Bags will be provided for the children to use in gathering their eggs.



THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING will be collected next Sunday, April 4. Our gifts are divided among the Presbyterian Hunger Program, Self-Development of People and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Please see the table in the narthex and the insert in today’s bulletin for more information.

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Easter Flowers
 If you wish to honor the memory of a loved one or to honor someone special in your life with Easter flowers in the sanctuary, please fill out the form below and return it to the church office or place it in the offering plate. A listing of all dedications will be included in the bulletin on Easter Sunday and in the April 7 edition of the *Abbey*.

Donation of \$_____ given in (please circle your choice) honor/memory of:

Given by: _____

Please see below and save the date for your neighborhood gathering to discuss the Vision Task Force recommendations. More details will follow in the coming weeks.

Date	Time	Neighborhood Group
April 11	12:15 p.m.	Northeast Knoxville
April 11	12:30 p.m.	Bearden West
April 16	6:30 p.m.	South Knoxville
April 18	3:00 p.m.	Rocky Hill
April 25	3:00 p.m.	Farragut
April 25	6:00 p.m.	Cedar Bluff
May 2	5:00 p.m.	Peninsula
May 2	6:00 p.m.	Sequoyah/Westmoreland
May 4	7:00 p.m.	Westminster
May 7	6:30 p.m.	Bluegrass
May 16	12:00 p.m.	Kingston Woods