

16 His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.

Sermon: “Songs of Loudest Praise”

Rev. Dr. Ralph R. Herbert

SENDING

***Closing Hymn:** #196 - “All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

VALET WILL ICH DIRGEBEN

***Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Ralph R. Herbert

Postlude: “The Palms”

Jean Baptiste Faure

Jim Moore, Organist

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

Rev. Dr. Ralph R. Herbert

William Bennett—Director of Music

Jennifer Grainger—Director of Spiritual Growth and Outreach

Jim Moore—Organist

Handbells

Mike Homola—Liturgist

Elder-In-Charge: **8:45 am**—Hunter Harris **11:00 am**—Kristi Selander

Ushers: **8:45 am**—Pat Tolbert, Julie McCormick, Don Moore & Katie Ryan

11:00 am—Lionel Lawson, Ed Lindsay, Shawn Blunt & Jay Johnson

Flowers—Flowers today are given to the Glory to God by ML and Gail Hyatt in honor of their daughter, Rebecca Guzman.

SUNDAYS at SPC

Nursery is available 8:30 am-12:15 pm in Room 203

8:45 am—Traditional Service (sanctuary)

9:45 am—Coffee Fellowship (Lanneau)

10:00 am—Sunday School (Education Wing)

K-5th—Room 104

Tween (5th-8th) —Room 303

Under the Hill—Room 106

Genesis—Room 101

Seekers —Room 201

10:00 am—Contemporary Service (gym)

11:00 am—Traditional Service (sanctuary)

11:00 am—Small Group (Room 304)

Tonight is Movie Night “King of Kings” Regal Azalea Square

3:45 pm—Joy Kids participants are meeting at SPC to take the bus to the movies.

3:30 pm—Youth Group participants are meeting at Regal Azalea Square movie theater.

WELCOME

We welcome you to worship this morning! Please fill out the Connection Card in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate during the offering. A map of our campus is available in the pew racks. If you are a guest with us, we invite you to Lanneau Hall following the service to visit the Welcome Center. Please see an usher if you need assistance.

Children and Nursery—Nursery is available in Room 203. We offer two nurseries, one for ages 0-2 years and the other for ages 3-4 year-olds. We kindly ask that children 5 and above not be dropped off in the nursery. Please ask an usher for a pew pal to help occupy your child during the worship service. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Grainger at jenniferg.spc@gmail.com or Rebecca Mills at rebeccam.spc@gmail.com.

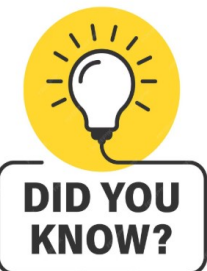
Wandering Heart Lenten Sermon Series—Like many of us, Peter has a wandering heart. His journey is not polished, or linear, or perfect, but he is always tethered to the love of God. When you look closely at Peter’s story, you find Jesus at each step along the way—offering him abundance, catching him when he begins to sink, challenging him when he stands in the way, washing his feet, predicting his betrayal, and offering him agapē love. This Lent, we’re joining Peter in figuring out faith. We’re not idolizing or vilifying him; instead, we’re hoping to wander alongside him, open to what we might learn about Jesus (and ourselves) by stepping in his shoes.

Liturgy adapted from Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC

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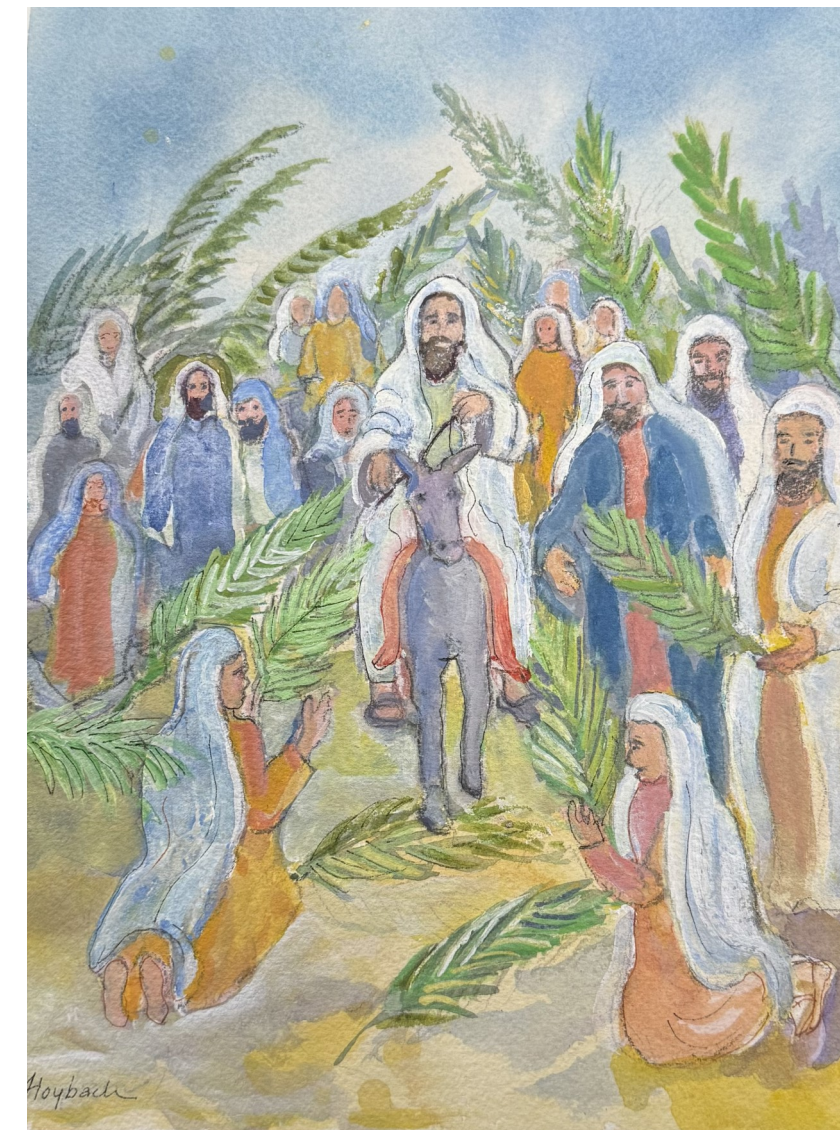


...if you need a notary we have two on staff. Julie McCormick and Cecelia Bond can perform notarial services. Just call them during office hours to make an appointment. You will need identification. They would be happy to assist you.



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**PALM SUNDAY
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE**
Sunday, April 13, 2025

GATHERING

Please prepare your hearts for worship during the prelude.

Prelude: “Hosana, Hear the People Sing” Cathy Townley
Handbells

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

Minute for Mission One Great Hour of Sharing, Service Ministry Team
8:45 am—Kelli Kemmerer **11:00 am**—Kristi Selander

***Call to Worship:**
Sing songs of loudest praise!
Hosanna!
Sing songs that are unashamed.
Hosanna!
Sing songs without being afraid.
Hosanna!
Sing for the God of tomorrow and today.
Hosanna!
Let us worship the One worthy to be praised.

***Opening Hymn:** #197 - “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” ELLACOMBE

***Confession and Pardon**
The crowds gathered to praise Jesus as he entered Jerusalem, but the Gospel of John tells us that many of the disciples were confused. This is true of us—at times we have confidence and excitement at what God is doing, whereas at other times we are unsure. No matter what, God is always ready to hear our prayers and forgive us once again.

Holy God, we want to sing Your praise!
We want to be bold and unashamed of this good-news Gospel.
However, too often we find ourselves standing on the sidelines.
Too often we stay quiet.
Too often we let others carry the song.
Forgive us for the moments when we could lead the parade but instead find ourselves standing on the sidelines.
Show us which songs are ours to sing.
Show us which parades are ours to lead,
and then give us the courage and conviction to do both.
With hope and honesty we pray, amen.

(Time for silent confession)

Song of Confession: “Hear the Good News of Salvation”
NETTLETON

*All the sins I have committed, to my Savior now I bring.
I bow down with tears of anguish; Christ forgives and so I sing:
Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.*

Friends, no matter where you are on the parade route,
Jesus marched for you.
Jesus’ love, his striving for justice and mercy, was for you.
You are included in this story.
Through Jesus Christ, you are forgiven, claimed, and sent to serve.
So friends, believe the good news of the gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Song of Praise: “Hear the Good News of Salvation” NETTLETON

*Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God’s love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above.
Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.*

***Apostle’s Creed**
I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

***Passing the Peace**
Please introduce yourself as you pass the peace of Christ.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Church Family Moment Jennifer Grainger

Prayer of Illumination:
God of grace, Your Word is like a song.
It is the melody that we long to sing,
the refrain that we pray will run continuously through our heads.
So as we return to scripture once more,
we pray that You would allow us to sink into this song.
Allow us to hear the truth in between the words. **Amen.**

First Scripture Reading: Psalm 118:19-29
19 *Open to me the gates of righteousness,*
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.
20 *This is the gate of the Lord;*
the righteous shall enter through it.
21 *I thank you that you have answered me*
and have become my salvation.
22 *The stone that the builders rejected*
has become the chief cornerstone.
23 *This is the Lord’s doing;*
it is marvelous in our eyes.
24 *This is the day that the Lord has made;*
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
25 *Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!*
O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!
26 *Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.*
We bless you from the house of the Lord.
27 *The Lord is God,*
and he has given us light.
Bind the festal procession with branches,
up to the horns of the altar.
28 *You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;*
you are my God; I will extol you.
29 *O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,*
for his steadfast love endures forever.

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer Rev. Dr. Ralph R. Herbert

Musical Offering: “Come, Thou Almighty King” Michael Ryan
Handbells

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

Second Scripture Reading: John 12:12-16 Rev. Dr. Ralph R. Herbert
12 *The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard*
that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. 13 So they took branches of
palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting,
“Hosanna!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—
the King of Israel!”
14 *Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written:*
15 *“Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion.*
Look, your king is coming,
sitting on a donkey’s colt!”

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