

Music Notes:

The solo this morning is that well-known traditional Palm Sunday favorite “Le Rameaux” (The Palms) by Jean Baptiste Faure (1830-1914). Although nearly exclusively known today for this one composition, Faure was probably the most well-known operatic singer of his day in France and England. He possessed a dark, smooth yet flexible baritone voice, which he used with impeccable skill and taste. He was also an avid collector of impressionist art. Faure sat for multiple portraits by Edouard Manet and owned 67 canvases by that painter including several masterpieces. He also owned 64 works by Claude Monet. Faure died of natural causes in Paris in 1914, during the early months of World War I. We appreciate our soloist, Jim Howes. Check out Jim’s weekly 2 hour radio program “Sacred Classics” broadcast every Sunday 6:00-8:00 a.m., 10:00 p.m.-Midnight, on WBVM radio, Spirit 90.5.

COLOR OF THE DAY: RED

In our Christian tradition, the different colors used for vestments and paraments are drawn from creation to remind those participating in worship of the different blessings of God. Many of the colors associated with the seasons are closely linked with the experience of Christians in the Northern hemisphere. Christians in the Southern hemisphere will experience the church year differently in that context, perhaps calling forth different color associations.

Our color for Lent is purple but it is appropriate as we begin Holy Week to use red signifying the Passion, blood and cross. Red is also used for Maundy Thursday, Pentecost (fire) and Reformation (martyrdom).

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...

- Sunday, April 14:** Doris Elza, Pokey Smith, Eileen Nelson, Donald Faulkner Jr.
Monday, April 15: Nick Weidner
Tuesday, April 16: Janice Patteson, Lars Greff
Wednesday, April 17: Ibelise Luther
Thursday, April 18: Linda Howard, David Johnson
Friday, April 19: Joanne Bruno, Terry Curkan, Lex Long, Blake Harris
Saturday, April 20: Donna Bushman, Samantha Speer



If you see someone whose birthday is listed and you haven't seen them in church recently, give them a call!

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by



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Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the “2019 Flower Reservation Chart” on the bulletin board across from the kitchen. Thank you to those providing flowers each week In Honor/In Memory of someone or an anniversary/birthday!

FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

GREETERS:

- (8:15) Mary Duffey & Jessie Loy
(11:00) Winnie & Chuck Robbins

USHERS:

- (8:15) Dennis & Betty O’Shea
Earle Lusk, Bob MacFall
(9:30) Curtis & Vicki Krueger
(11:00) Allen & Chris Hurst
Dean Rabenstine & Pete Towns

VAN DRIVER: John Makal

Ushers & Greeters



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (18/19 School Year)
Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

9:30 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-1st Grade, Room 3
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Chrissy Raborn & Jane Winne.
2nd-5th Grade, Room 8
Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 8 with Justine Davis.

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**11:00 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

The Middle & High Schoolers (6th-12th graders) are meeting this week for Sunday School. All youth are welcome to worship together in the center-right-side of the Sanctuary at the 9:30 Ignite service. After the service, youth will meet in the City at 10:45am for Sunday School where we will be discussing today’s message.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 A.M. TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Rooms 9-11
TCI strives to strengthen the spirituality of its attendees by exploring how our Christian values influence our attitudes and behaviors toward modern challenges. We base our discussions in scripture and welcome and respect divergent opinions. This week Ken Tobiassen will share "Things that Scare Me"--artificial intelligence, inequality, and the abandonment of the nuclear arms test ban treaty. Next week Ken's wife, Martha will ask, "What is Evangelism and is it right or wrong?"--a program suggested by The Wired Word, an adult Christian education series.

11:00 A.M. Experiencing God Class Room 15, led by Vicki Krueger,
Join us on the journey for the truth about Jesus. In this video-based study based on "The Case for Christ," we will sift through historical evidence and expert testimony to help us see Jesus in a new way and find our lives transformed. We will also gain the tools to talk about Jesus with those who question whether Jesus existed or whether he is a good man, a prophet or the Son of God. Come join us!

11:30 A.M. Sunday Morning Bible Study
This Bible study meets at 11:30am on Sunday mornings in room 8. We are studying the Book of Hebrews, using the study guide: *Hebrews: Christ-Perfect Sacrifice, Perfect Priest* by John MacArthur. If you have any questions or would like to purchase a book for the study, please contact Cindy Huffman 727-409-8727 or lucindyl@aol.com. This is a discussion class and is approximately one hour in length. All are welcome! Come join us!

Welcome To
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April 14, 2019



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Order for the Public Worship of God
April 14, 2019
Palm/Passion Sunday
8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

THE GATHERING
*(Let the congregation be silent, and in prayer as the music begins.
Please silence electronic devices.)*

STORY OF THE GREAT PARADE Chris Curvin, Pastor
Luke 19:28-40 *(page 854)*
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

PROCESSIONAL WITH BELLS
“Fanfare Celebration!” Perry/Mazzatenta
Hallelujah Ringers
(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION Lenten Cantata, Stephanie Carson

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**
(Please complete the bulletin insert, “FRIENDSHIP SHEET,” and pass it toward the center aisle.)

***HYMN** “We Sing Hosanna” WEBB
We sing our loud hosannas to welcome Christ today.
God’s steadfast love surrounds us each step along the way.
The gates are flung wide open as crowds their tribute raise:
“Hosanna in the highest!” our Savior’s name we praise.

A lowly, peaceful donkey bears Jesus through the throng
of joyous, shouting people who sing their vict’ry song:
rejoice in God’s anointed who claims us as God’s own,
and offers us salvation through Christ, the cornerstone.

May we who seek to follow be emptied of false pride,
and take the form of servants, with boundless love supplied.
Throughout our lives, rejoicing in days that God provides,
we give our humble thanks, and obey, as Jesus guides.
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CALL TO CONFESSION Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)*
Dear Lord, who on this day entered the rebellious city that later rejected
you; we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's, our faith is
often more show than substance, 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, and to receive us as your own. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** GLORIA PATRI
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

ANTHEM “Hosanna to the King” Craig Courtney
Dennis Rasmussen & Michele White, Soloists
Mitchell Johnston, Congas

*Hosanna to the King of kings, hosanna to the Lord of lords,
Hosanna to the great I AM who reigns forevermore,
Who reigns forevermore.*

*If you will feed the hungry, give water to the thirsty,
And welcome any stranger, then you may call Him Lord.*

*O, brother, if you keep silent, O, sister if you keep silent,
O, brother, if you keep silent, the rocks and stones will cry out.*

CONFIRMATION CLASS 2019
Ava Grace Catlin (8:15) Adam Donald Booth (9:30)
Olivia Michelle Catlin (8:15) *Joseph Robert Weidner (9:30)

**will receive the Sacrament of Baptism*

OUR MINISTRY WITH THE CHILDREN
*(Children ages 3yrs – 2nd Grade, are welcome to remain in service with their
parents or join us in room 3 for Children’s Church.)*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING “The Palms” Jean-Baptiste Faure
Jim Howes, Soloist

***DOXOLOGY—#606** OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN #197** “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” ELLACOMBE

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS Mark 8:14-18 NRSV *(page 820)*

SERMON SERIES The Eyes of Faith Chris Curvin, Pastor
Sermon #2 “Believing is Seeing”

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN #213** “In the Cross of Christ I Glory” RATHBUN

***BENEDICTION**

SUNG BLESSING *(please be seated)*
(8:15) “Ride Through Jerusalem” Michael Bedford
Cherub & Angel Choirs (ages 3-5th grade)
(11:00) “Celtic Benediction” Brad Nix
Stephanie Carson, Soloist

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Toccata on ‘All Glory, Laud and Honor’”
Michael Burkhardt

*(You are invited to reflect on the worship service during the closing voluntary. If you must
leave before the end of the service, please respect those who remain and leave quietly.)*

**Congregation will stand. If standing is difficult for you, feel free to remain seated.*

Stephanie Carson, Music Director
Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

ignite

ignite is a contemporary worship service at 9:30 that delivers the
message of Jesus Christ through Powerful Music, Media
& Scripture Based Sermons.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL WITH BELLS
“Fanfare Celebration”
Hallelujah Ringers

VIDEO
“Call to Worship: Palm Sunday”

PRAISE SONG
“Hosanna”

MEET AND GREET

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SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY
“Above All”

SCRIPTURES
Luke 19: 28-40, Mark 8: 14-18

MESSAGE
Sermon Series: The Eyes of Faith
Sermon #2: “Believing is Seeing”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

SONG OF DEDICATION
“Behold the Lamb”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU