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The Tables Have Turned
 Palm Sunday
 March 25, 2018

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Rod Gorby

Welcome Brad Clayton

Introit *Hosanna!* Fantastichoir

Proclamation of Entrance Into Jerusalem *Matthew 21:1-11 (responsive)* Molly Novin

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, 'Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'"

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and He sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of Him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When He entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

Hosanna! Rejoice, for the Lord is in our midst.

He comes with joy and hope.

He comes to set us free from fear.

Hosanna!

Hosanna! Glory to God in the highest heaven.

*Hymn No. 197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Call to Confession

Henry McClain

Prayer of Confession

Henry McClain

Lord, we confess that we would rather have a nice parade, with banners waving and people cheering than to face the suspicious eyes of fearful people.

We cheer for You in moments of triumph, but we abandon You when being a disciple gets difficult. We choose to follow our own path, while You chose the path to the cross. (*silent prayer*)

As we continue our Lenten journey,

Forgive us for our eagerness to ignore the needs of the world, and lead us to the hope of Easter morning. In Jesus' Name, we pray.

Amen.

Kyrie

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

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Henry McClain

The Lord is our strength and might. Jesus is our salvation.

In Jesus our sins are forgiven.

In Jesus our cries are answered, our salvation is at hand.

Hosanna! Thanks be to God!

*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.

*The Passing of the Peace

Henry McClain

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Hosanna! Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

May the peace of Christ fill you this day.

Hosanna! Christ is the source of our joy and gladness.

(During the Passing of the Peace, children are invited to come forward for the time with our young disciples.)

Proclamation of the Word

Anthem

It is Good to Give Thanks to our God

Cherub Choir

Prayer With Our Young Disciples

Leigh Ramsey

(After the time with our children, kindergarteners through 2nd graders are invited to go with their leaders to Room 206 for Children's Worship. Parents are welcome to take 3-5 year olds to the playground for Children's Enrichment.)

Sacrament of Baptism

Kyler Lee Zimmerman

Choral Response: **Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our King; born of the Spirit, we are God's children, faithfully now God's praises we sing.**

Scripture Lesson	Matthew 21:1-17 (<i>pew Bible p. 802</i>)	Brad Clayton
The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You, O Christ!		
Sermon	<i>The Tables Have Turned</i>	Brad Clayton
Response to the Word		
*Hymn No. 630	<i>Fairest Lord Jesus</i>	
Offering	<i>For Everyone Born</i> arr. Tom Trenney	Chancel Choir Hymn No. 769
Prayer of Dedication (<i>responsive</i>)		Molly Novin
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.		
*Doxology	Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.	
*Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles Creed	Trinity Whitley
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 at 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.		
Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer		Trinity Whitley
*Hymn No. 223	<i>When I Survey the Wondrous Cross</i>	
*Charge & Benediction		Brad Clayton
*Congregational Response	<i>Amen</i>	Hymnal p. 601
Postlude		Rod Gorby

*Live Simply, Love Generously, Serve Faithfully, Speak Truthfully, Pray Daily,
and Leave Everything Else to God*

Holy Week & Easter at Faith. Did you know that people who do not regularly attend church do usually visit a church at both Easter and Christmas? That means that this is a great time of year to invite a friend, neighbor, or coworker to Faith! Who will you invite? One easy way is to share the Faith Easter Event on Facebook on your own timeline.

Wednesday Night Alive! Join us at 5 p.m. in Fellowship Hall for dinner (chicken/wild rice casserole, broccoli, salad, rolls, chicken tenders, banana pudding). Dinner is \$3 for children and youth, \$5 for adults, with a \$20 family maximum. Programs for all ages begin at 6 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Service. March 29, 6 p.m.

The Living Last Supper: Each of Jesus' disciples will share their reflections from this holy night, centered around the table. We will then celebrate Holy Communion by intinction together.

Good Friday Taizè Service. March 30, 6 p.m.

On Good Friday we will join together and remember the sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross. Using the contemplative style from the Taizè community, we will focus our hearts on Jesus Christ through song, scripture, and silence.

Saturday, March 31, 10 a.m., Easter Workshop & Egg Hunt.

Easter Sunday. April 1

7 a.m Sunrise Service @ the Saint Paul's United Methodist amphitheater on Lake Ella.

9:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast in Fellowship Hall, hosted by the deacons (casseroles, fruit, baked goods). If you can provide a dish, please use this link: <http://signup.com/login/entry/466998761122048053>.

10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship @ Faith with Holy Communion, full choirs and brass.

Easter Flower Cross. Please bring cut flowers from your yards for the Easter Flower Cross next Sunday. Just add your flowers to the cross on the front steps of the sanctuary as you arrive for worship.

Easter Sunday Message. Next Sunday Brad Clayton's sermon will be *A Familiar Table*, based on Luke 24:1-35. It was Sunday, just a few days after He died. Hearts were empty. Disciples were fearful that they may be crucified as well. The tomb was empty, but that just made them more afraid. They gathered behind locked doors to fill their stomachs and show care to a stranger. But the stranger was someone familiar, and it changed their lives forever. Christ is alive in the places where we least expect Him. So let us gather at this familiar table and celebrate the risen Christ!

Easter Special Offering. Next Sunday we will be observing the One Great Hour of Sharing special offering of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). This offering is our direct response to God's call in Isaiah 58. Your gift enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed. There will be special offering envelopes in your bulletin next Sunday for this purpose.

UKirk Concert. UKirk will host a fundraising concert on Sunday, **April 8**, at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Rod Gorby and Corinne Stillwell will be performing, along with other artists. Donations will be collected at the door and will benefit scholarships for UKirk students. Suggested donations are \$10/adults and \$5/students.

Spring for Faith. Save the date -- Sunday, **April 29**, and join us for our spring fellowship event! If you loved the 2017 Ministry Fair, you will have a great time at Spring for Faith. There will be yummy food, music, and fun activities for the entire family as we share the wonderful ministries of Faith Presbyterian Church and celebrate the wondrous and varied contributions our church and its members make to our community.

Stewardship Update

Budget YTD: \$265,848
Received YTD: \$263,881
Spent YTD: \$237,037



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