

First Baptist Church at Worship

March 25, 2018
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

PALM SUNDAY The Sixth Sunday in Lent

Gathering

Organ Voluntary *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* setting by David Maxwell

Proclamation of the Entrance into Jerusalem Austin Carty & Paul Sims
from Mark 11


+Hymn 175 *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* ST. THEODULPH

+Prayer of Praise and Adoration Paul Sims

*We praise You, O God, for Your redemption of the world through Jesus Christ.
Today he entered the holy city of Jerusalem and was proclaimed Messiah by
those who spread garments and branches along his way. May these branches
be signs of his victory, and grant that we may follow him in the way of the cross,
that, dying and rising with him, we may enter into Your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You
and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.*


+Act of Praise by Alfred Fedak

I.



Hail and Ho-san - na! Blessed is he who comes

II.



in God's own name, the King and Bless - ed One.

- 20th century

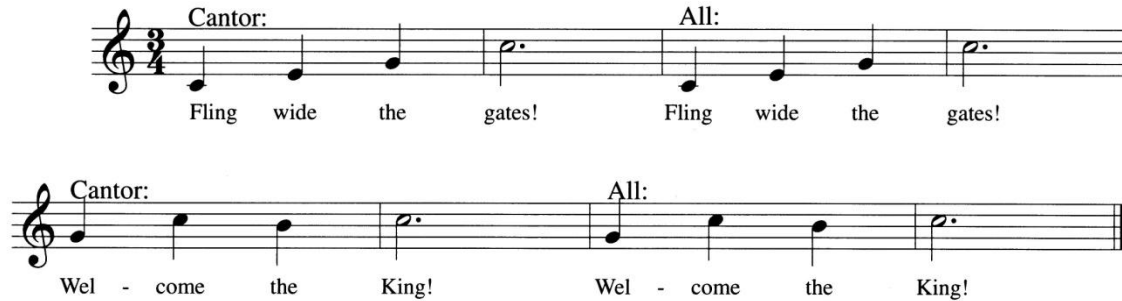
The Word

Children's Sermon

Pat Parkey & Lauren Tipton

Psalm 118

setting by Hal Hopson



Let the doors of righteousness be opened;

We will go in and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; it is opened to the righteous.

We will give praise, for God has heard us and has come to save us. REFRAIN

The stone which the builders rejected as worthless has become the cornerstone.

This is Your work, O Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

Lord, You have made this day;

Let us rejoice and be glad. REFRAIN

Send salvation, O Lord; Lord, grant us victory.

Blessed be Your name, O Lord.

We bless You from Your temple.

Lord God, You have given us light;

with waving branches we march around Your altar. REFRAIN

You are our God; we give You praise;

We will proclaim Your greatness.

We will offer thanks because of Your goodness;

Your love endures forever.

The Passion Narrative – from Mark 14 & 15

Austin Carty & Paul Sims

Psalm 31

Alice Tremaine

Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress;

my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also.

I am the scorn of all my adversaries, a horror to my neighbors,

an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me.

For I hear the whispering of many as they scheme together against me,

as they plot to take my life. But I trust in You, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."

My times are in Your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

Let Your face shine upon Your servant; save me in Your steadfast love.

Response

O WALY, WALY



- Michael Morgan, 20th century

The Passion Narrative – from Mark 15

Austin Carty & Paul Sims

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

“Why Have You Forsaken Me?”

Austin Carty

Responding

Anthem

My Song Is Love Unknown

by Edwin Childs

*My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?
Sometimes they strew his way and his sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day hosannas to their king.
Then "Crucify" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
Why, what has my Lord done to cause this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run, and gave the blind their sight.
What injuries! Yet these are why the Lord most high so cruelly dies.
Here might I stay and sing of him my soul adores.
Never was love, dear king, never was grief like yours!
This is my friend in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend.*

- Samuel Crossman, 17th century

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Austin Carty

+Hymn 186

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

If you wish to present yourself for membership today, or if you have another decision to share, please come to the front of the sanctuary during the hymn and a minister will receive you. You are welcome here.

+Offertory Prayer

Alice Tremaine

Loose change received in March will benefit The Mustard Seed Garden.

Organ Offertory

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

setting by Joyce Jones

Prayers of the People

Austin Carty

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

+Doxology

OLD HUNDREDETH

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

Sending

+Commission and Blessing

Austin Carty

*When you leave this gathering, sing hosannas. Carry their glad cry into this new week.
However popular or unpopular the cause, we wish to follow Jesus Christ.
We have been commissioned and empowered to make a difference in the world around us.
Hosanna! Blessed are all who go forth to serve. Hosanna in the highest!*

Organ Postlude

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

setting by David Maxwell

+all who are able may stand

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Lonnie Wells and Iva Smith

in commemoration of their birthdays on March 11 and March 12, respectively, by Betty Wells

and in honor of

Mary Griffith

for her birthday

by Jeff and Gail Griffith and family, and Arnold and Janet Prewitt

Maundy Thursday

with

Tenebrae

Thursday evening at Seven-thirty O'clock
in the sanctuary