# TUSTIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WORSHIP



April 13, 2025 10:00 a.m.

# PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

The people gather outside the doors of the church. Each is given a palm branch.

The livestream for this service can be accessed from our main YouTube page: http://bit.ly/TPC-YouTube-Page The livestream will begin several minutes before the service begins. Feel free to tune in whenever you are ready. If you prefer to view the service later, the video will be available soon after the service has concluded.

No matter where you come from or where you're going, no matter what you believe or what you doubt, no matter what you feel or just don't feel today, no matter whom you love, you are welcome into this space to be met by a God who knows you by name, who knows your heart, who knows your mind, and...who wants to have a relationship with you

The white rose on the Communion Table celebrates a new baby in our congregational life! Welcome to the world Valentina Rose Rashoff, who was born on March 21. Parents Leticia and Steven Rashoff and grandmother Karyn Rashoff are thrilled to welcome this little girl into the family! We send congratulations and God's blessings to all.

# LITURGY OF THE PALMS

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Steve

Oh, Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

You have set Your glory above the heavens.

From the lips of children and infants, You have ordained praise.

From our lips Your praise will come forth.

Let us worship our majestic God.

Adapted from Psalm 8:1–2

# \* PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM Matthew 21:1-9

Please respond, waving your branches, when the pastor speaks these words:

...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!"

#### \* PROCESSION INTO THE CHURCH

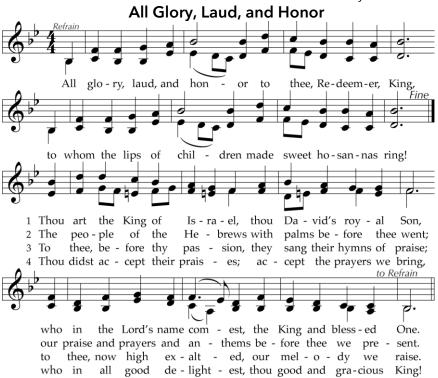
As you enter the sanctuary, proceed all the way down the center aisle, turning right or left as you reach the front pew of the sanctuary. Please take your seats by the side aisles.

ORGAN PROCESSIONAL St. Theodulph (750-821)
All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Dr. Hye Kyung Lee, Organ



Hymn No. 196



# \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Bill Groves, Liturgist

Lord, like the people in the crowd we proclaim You King, but when Your plan for us and the world does not look the way we think it should, we turn our backs and run away from You. Thank You for not turning away from us when we turn our backs on You. Forgive us for not being as faithful to You as You are to us.

And, as we recommit ourselves to You, please use us in Your plan.

We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

# \* A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

#### \* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Children of God, believe the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

#### \* Passing Of The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you. *And also with you.* 

We invite you to share the peace of Christ in whatever way feels comfortable to you—whether with a handshake, a friendly wave, or a simple "Peace be with you."

#### \* LENTEN RESPONSE

Hymn No. 227



During the Lenten Response, the children are invited to be escorted to Sunday School with the Director of Children's Ministries.

# WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

#### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Eternal God, quiet within us all mortal voices, that through the story of the passion and by the power of Your Holy Spirit, we may have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

#### FIRST LESSON

New Testament, Page 197

# Philippians 2:5-11

<sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, <sup>8</sup>he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

#### **Anthem**

arr. by Roberta Bitgood (1908-2005)

#### Hosanna

TPC Chancel Choir

#### **SECOND LESSON**

New Testament, Page 54

#### Mark 15:22-39

<sup>22</sup>Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). <sup>23</sup>And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. <sup>24</sup>And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

<sup>25</sup>It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. <sup>26</sup>The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." <sup>27</sup>And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>29</sup>Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, <sup>30</sup>save yourself, and come down from the cross!"

<sup>31</sup>In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. <sup>32</sup>Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. <sup>33</sup>When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.

<sup>34</sup>At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" <sup>35</sup>When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." <sup>36</sup>And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."

<sup>37</sup>Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. <sup>38</sup>And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. <sup>39</sup>Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

**SERMON** Pastor Steve

#### What Levi Saw

#### \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Westminster Confession

We believe:

The Lord Jesus, by His perfect obedience and sacrifice of Himself, which He through the eternal Spirit once offered up unto God, hath fully satisfied the justice of His Father and purchased not only reconciliation, but an everlasting inheritance in the kingdom of heaven, for all those whom the Father hath given unto Him.

# **GIVE THANKS TO GOD**

**Choral Call to Prayer** 

**Pastoral Prayer** 

# Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

Glory to God, Page 35

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.

#### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### \* OFFERTORY ANTHEM

by J. S. Bach (1685-1750) arr. Paul Christiansen (1914-1997)

**My Jesus**TPC Chancel Choir

# \* OFFERTORY RESPONSE

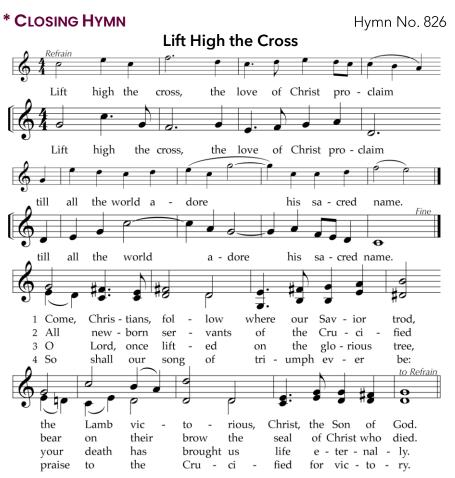
Hymn No. 708, Verse 1



# \* Prayer of Dedication

Holy One, we give You thanks for the great deeds of salvation that You have done and continue to do. Bless these offerings of thanksgiving that they may further Your kingdom in this world; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

# Go In God's Name



# \* BENEDICTION AND BENEDICTION RESPONSE

**POSTLUDE** 

Jack W. Hayford (1934-2023)

# Majesty

Dr. Hye Kyung Lee, Organ

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**Easter Offering:** The Easter Offering supports the Pastor's Discretionary Fund, a special account that we use to meet special needs not covered in the budget. Generous gifts to this fund have enabled us to offer food and shelter to the homeless, to minister in our local community, and to assist those in need with emergency help and to keep these needs confidential.

One Great Hour of Sharing: The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be collected on Easter Sunday. You may donate by using the envelopes in your pew. This special offering is a prime example of Presbyterians joining together in faithful generosity to make a difference in the world.



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