

## GATHERING

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, as we enter Holy Week and gather at your house of prayer, turn our hearts again to Jerusalem, to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, that united with Christ and all the faithful we may one day enter in triumph to the city not made by human hands, the new Jerusalem, eternal in the heavens, where with you and the Holy Spirit, Christ lives in glory forever.

**Amen.**

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsively) Psalm 118

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest!**

Lo, your king comes to you; humble and riding on a donkey.

**Triumphant and victorious is he; on a colt, the foal of a donkey.**

\*HYMN "The Palms" Special Music and Distribution of Palms (Insert)

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

As we watch the gates open for Jesus' triumphant entry, let us open the gates of our own hearts

that we may confess, with all honesty, the sins that reside within us.

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (in unison)**

**God of Mercy, every day we awaken to the new day you give us, yet we're not thankful for all that we have received. There are moments that wait for our decision to serve you, yet time passes away as we only think of ourselves. Our daily routine allows us the opportunity to minister to others, yet we're absorbed with our own self-improvement. As the day passes away; it turns out to be the same as all the others. Forgive us for wasting the precious time you give us each day. Let us feel the Holy Spirit moving within us as we go forth to serve others in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**(Moment of Silent Prayer)**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Responsively)

God's steadfast love endures forever. Jesus rode into Jerusalem to save us.

**Rejoice! In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven.**

\*GLORIA PATRI

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST (responsively)

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

(Please share the peace of Christ with those around)



## Palm Sunday

March 24, 2024

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#### Mission Statement

“Ebensburg Presbyterians  
are Christians giving help  
and hope to all by sharing God’s love

**THE WORD OF GOD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

**Almighty God, today, you march into Jerusalem to save us. Guide us, through the wisdom of your Spirit, that we might see what you are calling us to see, to know what you are calling us to know, and to feel what you are calling us to feel, that we may respond to your Gospel with gladsome hearts and minds. Amen.**

SCRIPTURES

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 118:19-29 p.493

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 12:12-16 p.875

SERMON: "Real Success"

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

\*HYMN 155 Rejoice, The Lord is King

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.**

Choir Anthem

Invitation to Offering and Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

Almighty God, you open our eyes to behold the wonders of your mighty acts. We sing "Hosanna in the highest" welcoming Jesus into our lives. Accept these offerings as our gratitude and hear us as we shout our own praises as we seek to follow Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

\*HYMN #88 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Passing from joy into sorrow and on to elation, **we come to Christ this holy week.** Today is only a part of the story. **Jesus' triumph leads to his death, his death to his resurrection.** May the journey of this week lead us into the fullness of Christ's love. Amen.

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

March 24

**WORSHIP SERVICE** starts at 11:00 AM & Facebook Live led by Bob Sheehan

**SESSION MEETING**, Monday, April 8, 2024

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

March 5	Jeff Vietmeier
March 13	James Estep, Jr.
March 15	Leif Vietmeier
March 20	Debra Shamble
March 21	Mara Vermillion
March 25	Samuel Wheeler
March 27	J. Gregory Stratton

**PRAYER LIST**

**Year 2024** Prayer List. If you have any names to add to the Prayer List, please call the church office at 472-6920, send email to [ebgpresby@gmail.com](mailto:ebgpresby@gmail.com) or place the names in the Offering Baskets near each of the front entrances. Thank you.

Eva Tomb	Phil Brulia
Jim Estep	the O'Brien and Jeffers Families
Walter Feath	Ar & Bill McKim
Tom R	Claudette Segear

**EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA** Next Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> 10:30-noon.  
Sign- up at church or call the office.

One Great Hour of Sharing -Palm Sunday, bring your fish banks, or place an envelope in the offering.

The Mission Committee will offer half-camperships for Pine Springs Camp again this year. See Amy Brulia or Martha O'Brien if you have questions.

**SPECIAL SERVICES** Maundy Thursday (3/27) 7 pm Ebensburg Presby  
Good Friday (3/28) 7 pm Colver Presby.

**Recycle:** We are still collecting empty or unused ink cartridges for Pine Springs Camp. Place them in the box on the counter in the gathering space. We are also still collecting plastics for the Women's Help Center.