

First Baptist Church



Growing Toward Christ

March 24, 2024

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Palm Sunday
March 24, 2024

Morning Worship

Eleven o'clock

After this I saw a vast crowd, too great to count, from every nation and tribe and people and language, standing in front of the throne and before the Lamb. They were clothed in white robes and held palm branches in their hands. And they were shouting with a great roar, "Salvation comes from our God who sits on the throne and from the Lamb!"

Revelation 7:9-10

Prelude	<i>The Palms</i>	Mrs. Patricia Slomanski arr. Albin Whitworth
Choral Call to Worship	<i>Majesty</i>	Chancel Choir
Greeting and Announcements		Dr. Christopher T. Hillman
Invocation		Dr. Hillman
Hymn of Praise, No. 130	<i>Hosanna, Loud Hosanna</i>	Congregation
	<i>The crowds . . . shouted, "Hosanna . . . in the highest!" Matthew 21:9 NIV</i>	
Responsive Reading		Mrs. Betty Jo Prevatte

Leader: Children of God, welcome!

People: Welcome to this holy place of love and grace.

Leader: Welcome to this place of God's hope and perseverance.

People: God invites us all to be part of a beloved community.

Leader: Hosanna! Blessed is He Who has come in the name of the Lord!

People: Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O, daughter Zion!

People: Shout aloud O, daughter Jerusalem!

Leader: Arise, your King comes to you.

People: Triumphant and victorious is He.

Leader: Humble and riding on a donkey.

People: On a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made;

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Dr. Hillman

Offertory Hymn, No. 126

Congregation

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor
Hosanna to the Son of David! . . . Hosanna in the highest! Matthew 21:9 NIV*

Offertory Prayer

Mr. Coburn Powell

Offertory

The Holy City

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. Albin Whitworth

*Last night I lay a-sleeping
There came a dream so fair,
I stood in old Jerusalem
Beside the temple there.
I heard the children singing,
And ever as they sang,
Me thought the voice of angels
From heaven in answer rang.
Jerusalem! Jerusalem!
Lift up your gates and sing,
Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna to your King!*

*And once again the scene was changed;
New earth there seemed to be;
I saw the Holy City
Beside the tideless sea;
The light of God was on its streets,
The gates were open wide,
And all who would might enter,
And no one was denied.
No need of moon or stars by night,
Or sun to shine by day;
It was the new Jerusalem
That would not pass away.*

Doxology

Congregation

*Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

Children's Sermon

Mrs. Donna Prince

Worship Through Music

Chancel Choir

What Wondrous Love Is This

Reading of the Holy Scripture

Dr. Hillman

Zechariah 9:9

Sermon

A New Kind of King

Dr. Hillman

Hymn of Invitation, No. 210

Congregation

*My Jesus, I Love Thee
Yea, Lord; Thou knowest that I love Thee. John 21:15 KJV*

Benediction

Dr. Hillman

Postlude

*Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates
(from MESSIAH)*

Mrs. Slomanski
arr. George Frideric Handel



The flowers today are given to the glory of God.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

- 9:45 a.m. Palm Sunday, March 24
11:00 a.m. Sunday School
Morning Worship
- 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 26
Bible Study
- 12:00 noon Wednesday, March 27
6:30 p.m. WUMC Lenten Service with lunch to follow
Wednesday Night Prayer Service
- 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 28
Maundy Thursday Service
- 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 29
Family Movie Night featuring the movie,
"Risen"
- 9:45 a.m. Easter Sunday, March 31
11:00 a.m. Sunday School
Morning Worship

LOOKING AHEAD

- 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 3, 10, 17, 24
Wednesday Night Prayer Service
- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 4
Reaching Out to Our Neighbors
- 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 9
Nominating Committee Meeting with
Committee Chairs in the Parlor
- 3:00 p.m. Sunday, April 14
Church Council Meeting
- 9:30 a.m. Monday, April 15
10:00 a.m. Finance Meeting
WMU Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 16
Deacons' Meeting
- 5:45 p.m. Wednesday, April 24
6:30 p.m. Covered-dish Meal
Quarterly Church Conference
- 8:00 a.m. Saturday, April 27
Operation Inasmuch



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Deacons of the Week

3/24 Brownie Cook / Betty Jo Prevatte
3/31 Merle Worley / Hilda Ray
4/07 Buster Carter / Bobby Hensley
4/14 Willis Pinnell / Glenn Waters