

PALMPASSION

Sunday



**First Baptist Church**

Whiteville, North Carolina

April 9, 2017

# THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Palm Passion Sunday

April 9, 2017

Morning Worship

Eleven o' clock

\* Please stand as you are able.

**Greeting**

Rev. Ryan Clore

The bell tolls calling us to repentance,  
in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**Meditation**

God, your Messiah draws near. We have cut the palm branches, we have spread our coats over the muddy road, all to welcome his coming. Shall we praise you for all the mighty works that we have seen? Shall we shout, "Hosanna!" with the crowd?

We want a Messiah, but is this the Messiah we want? Confront us with the moment of decision, O Lord. And if we remain speechless as he passes by, if we stand by the road in timid silence, let the very stones beneath our feet cry out, saying, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!"

**Prelude**

*Come, Thou Almighty King!*

Mr. Jim Council  
arr. Healey Willan

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-26

Rev. Clore

\* **Processional Hymn, No. 126**

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

ST. THEODULPH

**Invocation**

Rev. Clore

**Worship Through Song**

Chancel Choir, Youth Handbell Choir

*Hosanna! Ride On!*

Carolyn Jennings

**Responsive Reading**

Hosanna!

Congregation

Leader: How do we know you, Lord?

People: We know you through the power of your gentleness.

Leader: We know you are like a hen who gathers her chicks under her wings.

People: We know you because you have pursued us with an undying love that turns us from our fear and frustration toward the life and light for which we were created.

Leader: We know you because we have friends and family who are with us when we feel like waving palms and in times of deepest sadness when loss seems overwhelming.

People: **We know you because you have assured us our prayers are heard.**

Leader: Now we see you entering the holy city, being worshiped as a king. We find ourselves in the crowd, asking, “Who is this before whom we sing, ‘Glory, laud, and honor?’”

People: **Christ, our King, a ruler made known in brokenness and strength, not in earthly power.**

Leader: Who is this before whom we wave our palms in worship?

People: **Christ, our Redeemer, who at the heart of the passion and pain gives life in all its fullness.**

Leader: Who is this whose name brings salvation and life wherever preached?

People: **Christ, our Savior, who lifts our hearts in praise: “Hosanna! Blessed are you who comes in the name of the Lord!”**

**Offertory Hymn, No. 130** *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

ELLACOMBE

**\* Offertory Prayer**

Mrs. Lauren Cole

**Offertory**

*Awake, My Heart, with Gladness*

Mr. Council  
Rudolf Moser

**\* Offertory Response**

HAMBURG

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**Children's Sermon**

Mr. Melvin Ezzell

**Pastoral Prayer**

Rev. Clore

**Worship Through Song**

*What Deep and Wondrous Love!*

The Chancel Choir  
Barbara Boertje

**The Gospel Reading**

Matthew 21:1-11

Rev. Clore

**Sermon**

Disrupting the Balance

Rev. Clore

**\* Hymn of Commitment, No. 150**

REDHEAD 76

*Go to Dark Gethsemane*  
(Stanzas 1-3)

\* **Benediction**

Rev. Clore

\* **Choral Response**

*Lenten Benediction*

KIRCHENORDNUNG

Oh Christ, thou Lamb of God  
that takest away the sin of the world,  
grant us thy peace. Amen.

\* **Postlude**

*Exultate Deo*

Mr. Council  
Vincent Williams

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and  
in honor of my Sunday School teachers, Myrtle Corbett and Hilda Ray  
by Juanita Stanley.

Today's Responsive Reading was copied from *Prayers & Litanies*, Smyth & Helwys, Macon GA, 1999.



### Youth Handbells

Bryce Russell  
Carly Sanderson  
Leah Sanderson  
Andrew Sauls

Emily Sauls  
Mitchell Sauls  
Jack Sherrer  
Bridger Warlick

#### Sunday, April 9

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Warm-up  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Children's Worship  
3:00 p.m. Chrismon Workshop  
3:00 p.m. Raleigh Ringers Concert, Lumberton

#### Monday, April 10

10:00 a.m. WMU - Fellowship Hall  
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
4:00 p.m. Knit Wits (Knitting Ministry)

#### Wednesday, April 12

5:10 p.m. Children's Music Activity Grades 1-5  
5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper  
6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting & Bible Study (Matt. 27-28)  
Godly Play Children's Activity  
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir

#### Saturday, April 29

7:30 a.m. Operation InAsMuch

#### **Ministerial Staff**

Rev. Ryan Clore, Pastor  
Rev. Eddie Fort, Minister of Music

#### **Support Staff**

Mrs. Teresa Malpass, Ministry Assistant  
Mrs. Dinah Reaves, Financial Ministry Assistant  
Mr. Jim Council, Interim Organist

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#### Deacons of the Week

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