



SOUTHMINSTER

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 2, 2023

AN INCLUSIVE, WELCOMING COMMUNITY OF CHRISTIAN FAITH.
OUR MISSION IS TO MANIFEST CHRIST'S LOVE IN THE WORLD.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Women's Retreat Registration
Now Closed

Reflections on Selma with
Julie Ray TODAY after worship

Maundy Thursday Service and
Communion April 6 at 7 pm

Easter Egg hunt during Sunday
School April 9

Rebuilding Together Workday
April 29

Silent Auction April 30 with the
Congregational Meeting at 11:35am

Women's Retreat May 5-7

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TODAY

Giving Up the Title, King of Israel for Prince of Peace

**Today is Palm Sunday which marks
Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.**

It is also the beginning of Holy Week.

LENT



PRELUDE & BRINGING OF THE LIGHT
Ellacombe, arr. by Mark Hayes

ACOLYTES
Kali'i Fernandez, Amelia Standish

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please sign and date friendship pads
- Giving Cards now available.
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LAY READERS
Penny Roberts, Amelia Standish, Dory Roberts

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION
“If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other.”
—Mother Teresa

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP
The crowds welcomed Jesus with palm branches waving in the air and shouts of Hosanna!
Rising up, we lift our palms in praise to Jesus . . .
Hosanna! (waving as you shout)
Hosanna! (waving and shouting more)
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord (everyone waving like crazy!)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN
#197 “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

CHILDREN'S TIME
Nursery and pre-school children through primary class lead the congregation in singing.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
Jesus Loves Me

With My Own Two Hands
by Ben Harper

GREEK TESTAMENT READING
Matthew 21:1-11 *The Message*
When they neared Jerusalem, having arrived at Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples with these instructions:
“Go over to the village across from you. You'll find a donkey tethered there, her colt with her. Untie her and bring them to me. If anyone asks what you're doing, say, 'The Master needs them!' He will send them with you.”
This is the full story of what was sketched earlier by the prophet: Tell Zion's daughter,
“Look, your king's on his way, poised and ready, mounted On a donkey, on a colt, foal of a pack animal.”

The disciples went and did exactly what Jesus told them to do. They led the donkey and colt out, laid some of their clothes on them, and Jesus mounted. Nearly all the people in the crowd threw their garments down on the road, giving him a royal welcome. Others cut branches from the trees and threw them down as a welcome mat. Crowds went ahead and crowds followed, all of them calling out, “Hosanna to David's son!” “Blessed is he who comes in God's name!” “Hosanna in highest heaven!”
As he made his entrance into Jerusalem, the whole city was shaken. Unnerved, people were asking, “What's going on here? Who is this?”
The parade crowd answered, “This is the prophet Jesus, the one from Nazareth in Galilee.”

THEME READING
“The sacred is in the ordinary . . . it is to be found in one's daily life, in one's neighbors, friends, and family, in one's backyard. To be looking elsewhere for miracles is a sure sign of ignorance that everything is miraculous.”

—Abraham Maslow

SPECIAL MUSIC
Hosanna Processional by Joseph Martin

SERMON
Giving Up the Title, King of Israel for Prince of Peace
#6 in a sermon series: “Give It Up” for Lent
Rev. C. Bunny Oliver

RESPONSIVE HYMN
760 vs 1-4 Bring Many Names

CORPORATE PRAYER
from the New Zealand Book of Prayer
Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
May the hallowing of your name echo through the universe;
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world;
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings;
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trial too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever.
Amen.

OFFERTORY
All Things Bright and Beautiful,
arr. by Phillip Keveren

DOXOLOGY
Through all our living, we our fruits must give.
Good works of service are for offering.
When we are giving, or when receiving,
We belong to God.
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CLOSING HYMN
#196 “All Glory, Laud and Honor”

BENEDICTION
by the Children

POSTLUDE
We Are One in the Spirit, by Peter Scholtes

FELLOWSHIP

