



First Presbyterian  
Church of DuPage

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
**PASSION/PALM SUNDAY**  
**MARCH 28, 2021 - 10:00 a.m.**

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP – “Hosanna to the Son of David” (#298 in The Celebration Hymnal)

Pastor David: As the time approached for Him to be taken up to heaven,  
Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem.  
As He went along, people spread their cloaks on the road,  
while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.  
When He came near the place where the road goes  
down the Mount of Olives,  
the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all  
the miracles they had seen:

**Everyone: “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!”**

Pastor David: The crowds that went ahead of Him and those that followed shouted:

**Everyone: “Hosanna to the Son of David!”**

**“Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!”**

**“Hosanna in the highest!”**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM – Matthew 21:1-11

SYMBOLIC PROCESSION WITH PALMS – “All Glory, Laud and Honor”  
(#300 in The Celebration Hymnal)

All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.  
Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David’s royal Son,  
Who in the Lord’s name comest, the King and Blessed One.

The company of angels are praising Thee on high,  
And mortal men and all things created make reply.  
The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;  
Our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present.

To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;  
To thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.  
Thou didst accept their praises; accept the praise we bring,  
Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

### HYMN – “Hosanna” (#296 in The Celebration Hymnal)

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!  
Lord, we lift up Your name,  
With hearts full of praise;  
Be exalted, O Lord my God!  
Hosanna in the highest!

Glory, glory, glory to the King of kings!  
Glory, glory, glory to the King of kings!  
Lord, we lift up Your name,  
With hearts full of praise;  
Be exalted, O Lord my God!  
Glory to the King of kings!

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Behold, God’s new creation has come, in Jesus’ death and resurrection.  
Friends, believe the Good News.

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG (AND YOUNG AT HEART) DISCIPLES

### SCRIPTURE – Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON – “Celebrate and Wait” – Pastor David Boumgarden

## SPECIAL MUSIC

## OFFERING

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Leader: Jesus, remember us when you come into your kingdom. And the people said:

**People: Your kingdom come, your will be done.**

Leader: For your church around the world, we ask new life. And the people said:

**People: Your kingdom come, your will be done.**

Leader: For all who carry out ministries in your church, we ask your grace and wisdom. And the people said:

**People: Your kingdom come, your will be done.**

Leader: For governors and rulers of every land, we ask your guidance. Especially our new president, his cabinet, congress and senate. And the people said:

**People: Your kingdom come, your will be done.**

Leader: For people who suffer and sorrow, especially the families of victims of mass violence in Georgia and in Boulder, Colorado this past week, we ask your healing peace. And the people said:

**People: Your kingdom come, your will be done.**

Leader: Let us have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus as we pray for the world he came to save, saying:

**People: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

#### 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.

#### CLOSING SONG – “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” (#297 in The Celebration Hymnal)

“Hosanna, loud hosanna,” the little children sang;  
Thro’ pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang;  
To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to His breast,  
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed ‘mid an exultant crowd,  
The victor palm branch waving and chanting clear and loud;  
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,  
Nor scorned that little children should on His bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,  
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heav’n our King;  
O may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice,  
And in His blissful presence eternally rejoice!

#### BLESSING AND CHARGE

#### SENDING SONG – “God be with You” (#232)

#### POSTLUDE

## **WELCOME**

Thank you for worshipping with us. We are delighted you are here. If you would like more information regarding our church, please contact the church office at 630.759.8843 or [firstpresdupage@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresdupage@gmail.com). Find us on Facebook and our website is [www.firstpresdupage.org](http://www.firstpresdupage.org).

## **IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY**

We will have in-person worship. In keeping with current COVID guidelines we will be limited to 40-45 people not counting all staff who lead worship. Masks, temperature checks, social distancing, and all COVID protocols will be followed. Your health and your presence are important to us.

We will also continue to have virtual worship via our Facebook page at 10:00 a.m. Join us at <https://www.facebook.com/FirstPresbyterianChurchOfDuPage/>  
To print this week's worship service bulletin, this link will take you to a page on the church's website: <https://www.firstpresdupage.org/sermons-2/>

## **JOIN US FOR HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

Sunday, March 28 – Palm Sunday – 10:00 a.m.  
Friday, April 2 – Good Friday – 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday, April 4 – Easter Sunday – 10:00 a.m.

## **PALM BRANCHES**

All worshipers this Palm Sunday are asked to [pick up a palm branch](#) at the door to the sanctuary and to join the worship leaders in waving them during the two opening hymns.

## **EASTER FLOWERS**

The final day to sign up for [Easter Lilies](#) is Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. There is a sign-up sheet posted on the "Church Information" board near the information desk. If you are unable to attend in person on March 28<sup>th</sup> but still want to sign up, please call Linda Altonen. She will be placing the order for our Easter flowers on Monday morning, March 29<sup>th</sup>.

## **VIRTUAL FELLOWSHIP HOUR**

We will have Virtual Fellowship Hour following this Sunday's worship service. Join us on Zoom at the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83460502979?pwd=aFgrVENJWFJLRFB0OCsvUU9YK2F0Zz09>

Meeting ID: 834 6050 2979

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## **THE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE BEGINS ITS WORK**

We are beginning the process of seeking an installed pastor. The nominating and electing of a Pastor Nominating Committee is complete. The committee includes Sampson Akotuah, Bob Buegel, Michelle Crebo, Danika Manchester, Patt Pilgrim and Monica Reilly.

The committee is currently seeking feedback from you about the leadership competencies the church seeks in a pastor. A survey form has been distributed over the last few weeks, and today is the final collection date. Please place your completed form in the basket on the table in the entryway. Danika Manchester will say more about this launching process in this morning's worship service. Please keep our Pastor Nominating Committee in your prayers.

## **SAVE THE DATE FOR UPCOMING VISION EVENT!**

On Saturday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. we will have a concluding, all-church conversation about the church's strategic direction, and we will have a small celebration together as well.

**PRAYER REQUESTS & CARD MINISTRY**

If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office. If you know someone troubled with an illness, a loss, or who could just use an uplifting word please email the church at [firstpresdupage@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresdupage@gmail.com) and provide the person's name, address, and concern so we can reach out and encourage them in their time of need.

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