

SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR APRIL 13, 2025

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

INTROIT 196 *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* VALET WILL ICH
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Gathering Around The Word

*CALL TO WORSHIP *from Luke 19:35-40*

One: Everyone They brought the colt of a donkey to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it.

All: **As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road.**

One: As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

All: **“Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!”**

One: Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” He answered them:

All: **“I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”**

*HYMN 198 *Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!* ST. DROSTANE

CALL TO CONFESSION *from Ps. 118:2*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*) *from Luke 19:38, 22:61; Ps. 118:9*

God of heaven and earth,
we give you thanks for sending us Jesus Christ
in your name.

Even though we profess to follow him,
we confess that in times of trial we too often deny him.
Forgive us and heal us, we pray.
Help us to put our faith not in the princes of this world,
but only in the Prince of Peace.
In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *from Isa. 50:9a*

*PASSING THE PEACE
We invite you to share the peace of Christ with others.

*RESPONSE 581 GLORIA PATRI
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

Listening To the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION OF GOD’S WORD *from Ps. 63:1-5*

FIRST READING ISAIAH 50:4-9A
(The scripture readings can be found on the back of the bulletin)

ANTHEM 197 *Hosanna, Laud Hosanna* ELLACOMBE

SECOND READING LUKE 19:28-40

SERMON “King for a Day” Rev. David Holden

Responding to the Word

*HYMN 200 *A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd* CHRISTIAN LOVE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Church Creed

We believe God’s love sets us free
as the church with a common heritage,
bound together as one family,
nourished by the gift of His Son.

We believe God’s love sets us free
from fear, judgment, and death.

We believe God’s love sets us free
with energy and strength for commitment.

We believe God’s love sets us free,
renewing our faith, hope, and trust.

We believe God’s love sets us free
to worship, to love, to accept love, and to live.

We believe God’s love sets us free!

MINUTE FOR MISSION

SHARING OUR PRAYERS *See prayer concerns list, back page*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER (“debts”/“debtors”) *page 35 in hymnal*

GIVING BACK TO GOD’S KINGDOM
(Give online @ bit.ly/FPCSomersetGive or scan the code on the yellow pew card)

OFFERTORY *Jesus Paid It All* by Mark Hayes

*THE DOXOLOGY 606
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION
God Sends Us Forth

*HYMN 213 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory* RATHBUN

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION *from Luke 23:42*

*BLESSING
HYMN 200 *A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd (vs4&5)* CHRISTIAN LOVE

POSTLUDE

Visiting today? Welcome!

Please tell us about yourself! You can scan this QR code with your smartphone to fill out our online form, or fill out a pew card and drop it in the offering plate.



This Week

TODAY! from 1:00pm-4:30pm - Earth Day Celebration @ Somerset Community College
Mon., April 14 @ 12:00pm - Ecumenical Holy Monday Service at FPC
Tue., April 15 @ 5:30pm - Presbyterian Women Bible Study
Wed., April 16 @ 6:30pm - Choir Practice
Thur., April 17 @ 5:30pm - Maundy Thursday Service
Fri., April 18 @ 12:00pm - Ecumenical Good Friday Service at First United Methodist
Sat., April 19 @ 2:00pm - Food Box Giveaway
Sat., April 19 @ 5:30pm - Men's Sausage Fry @ the Vaught Home

Worship Assistants Next Week

Liturgist.....Jon Burlew
Ushers.....George Joplin & Marty Whitson
Audio.....Terry Randall
Video.....Richard Wright
Coffee Plus.....Pancake Breakfast

*for portions marked with an asterisk, you're invited to rise in body or spirit

First Reading—Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The Lord God has given me a trained tongue, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens, wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I did not turn backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who struck me and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand in court together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ⁹It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Second Reading—Luke 19:28-40

²⁸After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷Now as he was approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying,

"Blessed is the king
 who comes in the name of the Lord!
 Peace in heaven,
 and glory in the highest heaven!"

³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."



Prayers for Comfort, Concern, and Healing

Bill McAtee; Aaron Ramsey; Tim Noel; Leslie Phillips' parents, J.R. & Karen Goff; Don Haney; Rebecca Davis; Pat Carpenter; David & Brenda Bryant; Jeff & Kathy Bishop's daughter, Ashley Kerr; Ed & Joyce Mick; Jennifer Williams; Bill House; Leslie Phillips

Current Giving

	Rec'd month of March	Needed Monthly	Received YTD	Needed YTD
Offering	\$23,620	\$16,522	\$54,802	\$49,566

Blessing Box Attendant

This Week.....The Brocks
Next Week.....Lynn & Johnny Cain

Assisting In Worship Today

Ministers.....Every Member
Liturgist.....Naomi Judy
Ushers.....Erin Stephens & Paula Burlew
Audio.....Terry Randall
Video.....Richard Wright
Coffee Plus.....Laura Wright
Director of Music.....Theresa Jean Kibby
Piano & Organ.....Debby McDonald
Pastor.....Rev. David Holden

Deacons:

Linda Cook Rebecca Davis Sue Guffey
 Don Haney Nancy Holland Marshall Judy Marci Randall

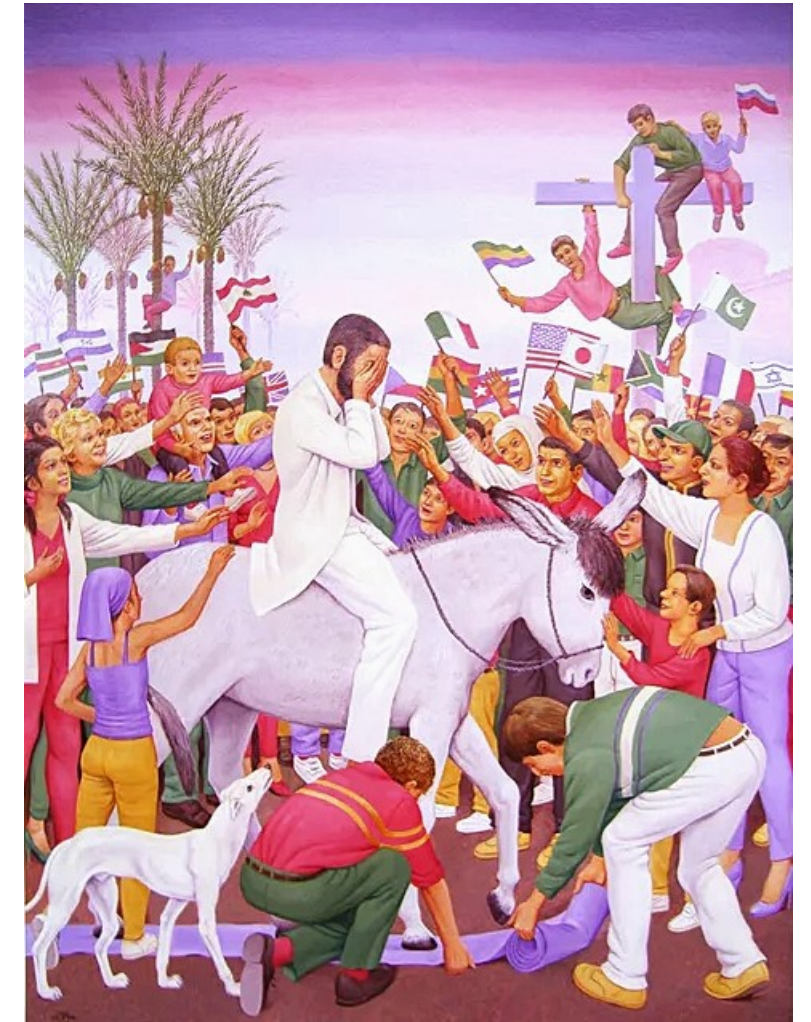
Elders:

Class of 2025 Class of 2026 Class of 2027
 Charles Leveridge Sharon Mandt Jo Salmon Mark Dikeman
 Perry Waller Laura Wright

First Presbyterian Church

April 13th, 2025

Palm/Passion Sunday



Koenig, Peter. Palm Sunday, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=58531> [retrieved March 24, 2025]. Original source: Peter Winfried (Canisius) Koenig, <https://www.pwkoenig.co.uk/>.

People of God, Welcome Home!

May Christ's peace and presence fill your heart as you worship this day, and may you go forth with the light and love of God shining within you.

We welcome you to worship, and ask that any electronic devices be placed on silent so that all may hear what God has to say.