

#### Welcome

Welcome to Redeemer Presbyterian Church! We are glad that you have joined with us to worship God. Please stay after the service and get to know others in our community who are calling Redeemer Presbyterian Church "home." If you have any questions about our church, feel free to contact us using the information on the back of the bulletin.

When you arrive for worship, please observe silence as you prepare to enter into God's Divine Service. Silence your cell phone, listen to the prelude, read the Words of Preparation and the Scripture lessons in the back of the bulletin, and join others in prayer and meditation.

#### **Our Worship**

Our service is intentionally structured to reflect our belief that worship is God's service to us, his people. By design, there are three parts to our worship: the Service of Entrance, the Service of the Word, and the Service of the Table.

The **Service of Entrance** begins when the choir sings the Introit, followed by our Hymn of Invocation, Call to Worship, and Prayer of Adoration. We will then join in a Corporate Confession of Sin, hear God's Declaration of Absolution, and respond with the Gloria and Hymn of Gratitude or Psalm.

The Service of the Word will include readings from the Lectionary (a calendar-based system for reading through the Bible) along with corporate responses of song and prayer. The sermon is God's Word to us and we ask that you listen attentively, asking the Holy Spirit to apply his Word to you in a particular way.

The Service of the Table begins with a Corporate Confession of Faith, followed by the Passing of the Peace, and the Collection of Tithes and Offerings. Our service concludes with the Lord's Supper and Benediction. Our church partakes of the Lord's Supper every week. We welcome to the table all baptized Christians who are trusting in Christ alone for their salvation, have made public profession of their faith, and are part of a local church. We offer both wine and grape juice (located in the center rings) in the communion tray. If you have any questions, please speak with a pastor.

#### Your Children

We love kids! And we try to make them feel welcome during our worship service. You can help your children profit from the service by working through the bulletin with them. If your child needs a break from the service, please feel free to sit in the Narthex where you can still hear the service. You can also take young children to the Nursery. A private space is provided in the Nursery for nursing mothers.

#### **Between Services**

Please join us in the courtyard for a time of fellowship with coffee and breakfast snacks. At 10:15 a.m., we offer School of Discipleship classes for all ages in Calvin Hall, with nursery through kindergarten downstairs, and first grade through adults meeting on the second floor.

Liturgical Color: Red – celebrates the passion of Christ, his blood

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#### THE DIVINE SERVICE

March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday

## The Sunday of the Passion

### In Preparation

Please observe silence as you read, pray, and meditate.

PRELUDE Michael Phillips

O Mensch bewein' dein' Sünde gross, BWV 622 – J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

O mankind, mourn your great sins, for which Christ left his Father's bosom and came to earth; From a virgin pure and tender he was born here for us,he wished to become our Intercessor, He gave life to the dead and laid aside all sickness until the time approached That he would be offered for us, bearing the heavy burden of our sins indeed for a long time on the Cross.

#### WORDS OF PREPARATION

John 12:12-16, 20-38

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him.

Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

"Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light."

When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Lord, who has believed what he heard from us, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?"

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you sent your son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of his great humility and patience and be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## The Service of Entrance

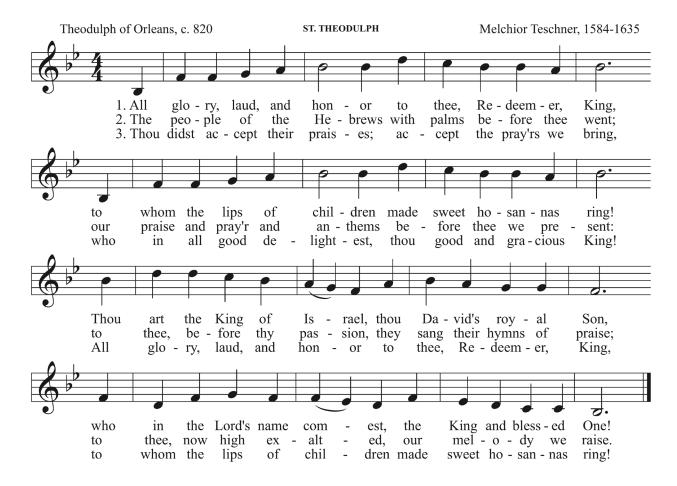
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#### PROCESSION OF PALMS

All Glory, Laud, and Honor – Melchior Teschner (1584-1635)

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!

#### **\* HYMN OF ENTRANCE**



Minister: Lift up your heads, O ye gates;

People: Be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

Minister: Who is this King of glory?

People: The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

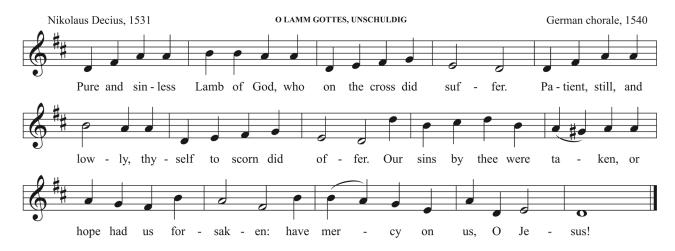
Minister: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen. Minister: Let us pray.

#### PRAYER OF ADORATION

... world without end. Amen.

#### **CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**



Minister: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all

your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

Minister: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

People: Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We

have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober

life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

#### **DECLARATION OF ABSOLUTION**

Minister: Hear the Word of the Gospel: "Christ has died for our sins and been raised for our justification." All you

who repent of your sin and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ for your salvation, rejoice and be glad and give glory to the Lord who has taken away all of your sins in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy

Spirit.

People: Amen.

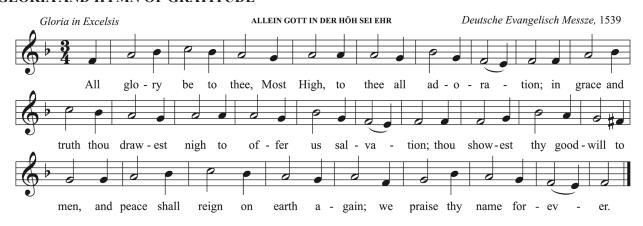
Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

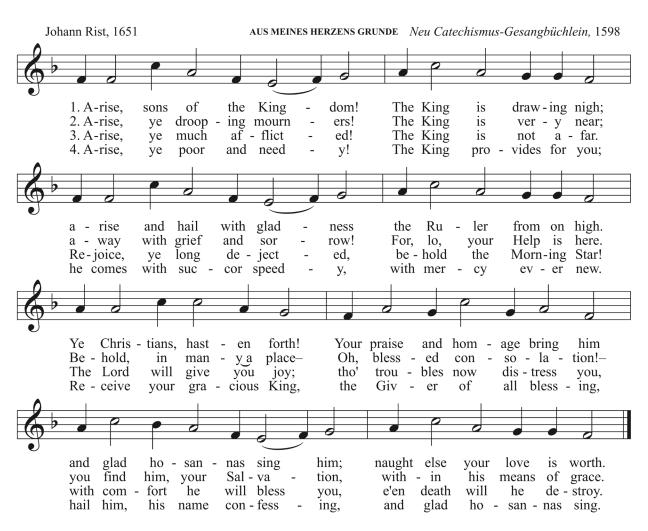
**People:** the Maker of heaven and earth.

Minister: O Lord, open our lips,

People: and our mouth will declare your praise.

#### ❖ THE GLORIA AND HYMN OF GRATITUDE





- 5. Be righteous, ye his subjects,
   The King is just and true;
  Prepare for him a highway,
   Make all things straight and new.
  For, lo, he means it well;
   Then willing bear the crosses
   That he himself imposes,
  Nor let your courage fail.
- 6. Oh, rich the gifts thou bringest,
  Thyself made poor and weak!
  O Love beyond expression,
  That thus can sinners seek!
  For this, O Lord, will we
  Our joyous tribute bring thee
  And glad hosannas sing thee
  And ever grateful be.

CHORAL ANTHEM Youth Choirs

Sing Hosanna – Eugene Butler (1935-)

Sing hosanna in the highest, Blessed be the King who comes, King of Israel, King of heaven, Lord of all his earthly sons!

Sing hosanna, peace in heaven, Glory be to God on high, Spread your branches and your garments, Raise your anthems to the sky!

Sing hosanna to the Savior As he comes in mighty love, Praise the king who reigns forever With our holy God above, Sing hosanna in the highest, Glory be to God on high!

# The Service of the Word

Zechariah 9:9-12

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

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THE PSALTER Psalm 118:23-29

#### **Antiphon:**



All: Antiphon

Choir: On this day the Lord has acted;

we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Hosanna, Lord, hosanna! Lord, send us now success.

All: Antiphon

Choir: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;

we bless you from the house of the Lord. God is the Lord; he has shined upon us;

form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

All: Antiphon

Choir: "You are my God, and I will thank you;

you are my God, and I will exalt you." Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

his mercy endures forever.

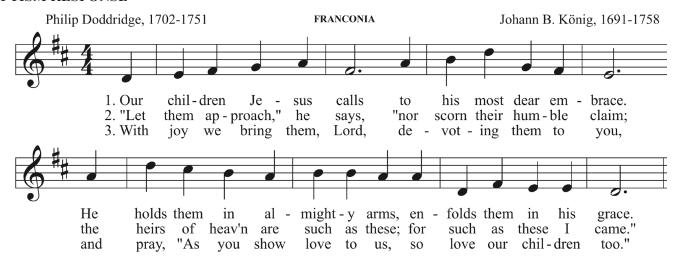
All: Antiphon

#### RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

#### **HOLY BAPTISM**

Milana Isabella Bando, Victoria Rose Whitten, Remington Alexander McBride (8:45) Ruth Verity Ellis (11:15)

#### BAPTISM RESPONSE



#### **WELCOME**

At this time, please sign and pass the attendance pads down the row.

#### **INTERLUDE**

#### PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Deacon Lee Maverick

Unison: 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.

❖ THE GOSPEL LESSON John 12:12-19

Minister: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise be to you, O Christ!** 

#### **\* PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

MORNING SERMON Rev. Eric Landry

Let Freedom Ring
John 12:12-19

## The Service of the Table

#### **CORPORATE CONFESSION OF FAITH**

The Nicene Creed

Unison: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you!

Minister: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

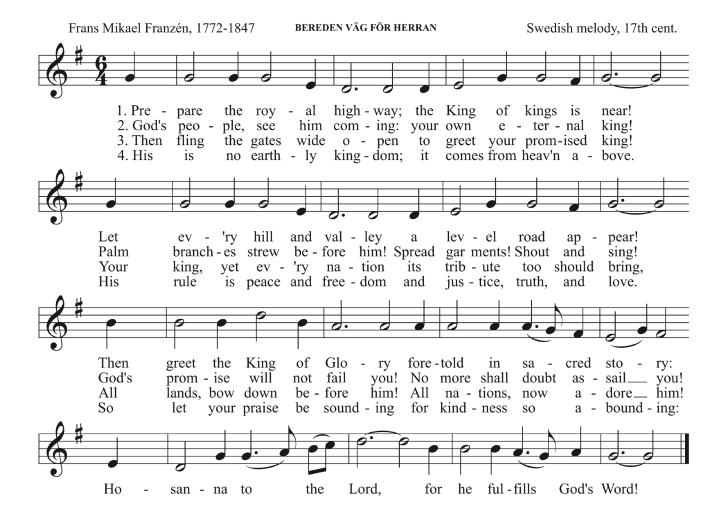
Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as the ancient words that the church has used over the centuries, "The peace of Christ be with you," and the response, "And also with you."

#### **TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

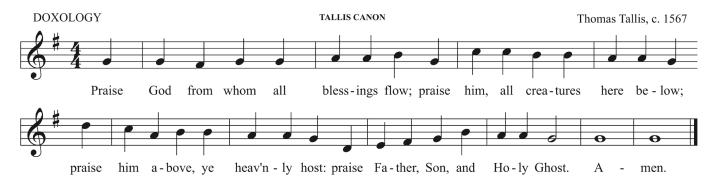
Minister: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof;

People: the world, and they that dwell therein.

#### HYMN OF GRATITUDE TO GOD



❖ Minister: Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendor, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.



#### **❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Minister: We love you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer. We present you with these gifts, which came first from

your hand, as part of our sacrifice of praise. Use them, O God, for your glory and our good. In the name

of Jesus, we pray.

People: Amen.

#### **❖ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Minister: The Lord be with you! **People:** And also with you!

Lift up your hearts!

**People:** We lift them up to the Lord!
Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God!

People: It is good and right to do so!

Minister: It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord,

Father Almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. On the tree of the cross you gave salvation to mankind that where death once arose, there life also might rise again; and that he who by a tree once overcame likewise by a tree might be overcome, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name,

evermore praising you and singing:



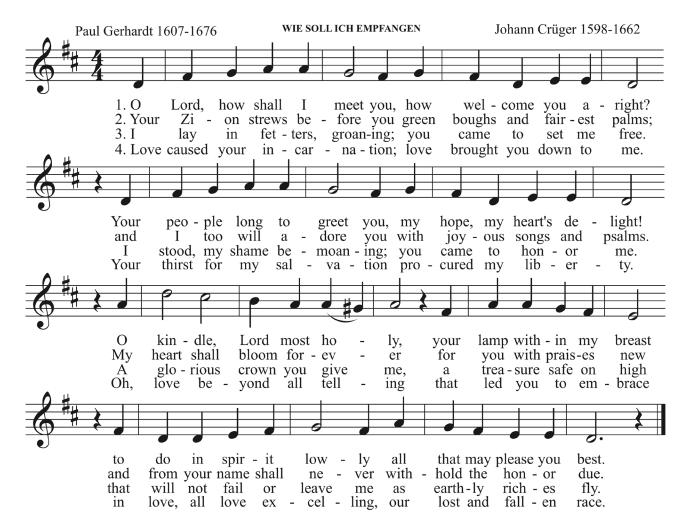
<sup>\*</sup> One of the many biblical names for God; in this case the Lord God of hosts or angelic armies. Pronounced "Sah-bah-oat"

#### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

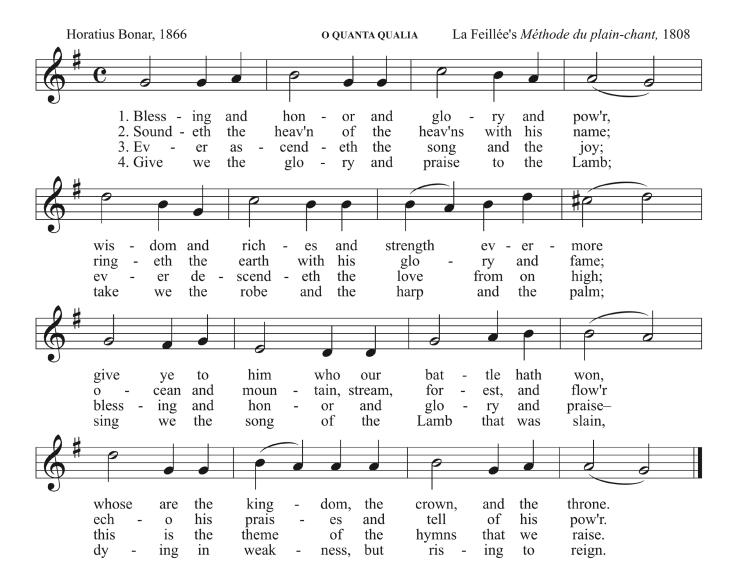
The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." (1 Cor. 11:23-24)



- 5. Sin's debt, that fearful burden, Cannot his love erase;Your guilt the Lord will pardon And cover by his grace.He comes, for you procuring The peace of sin forgiv'n,His children thus securing Eternal life in heav'n.
- 6. He comes to judge the nations,
  A terror to his foes,
  A light of consolations
  And blessed hope to those
  Who love the Lord's appearing.
  O glorious Sun, now come,
  Send forth your beams so cheering,
  And guide us safely home.

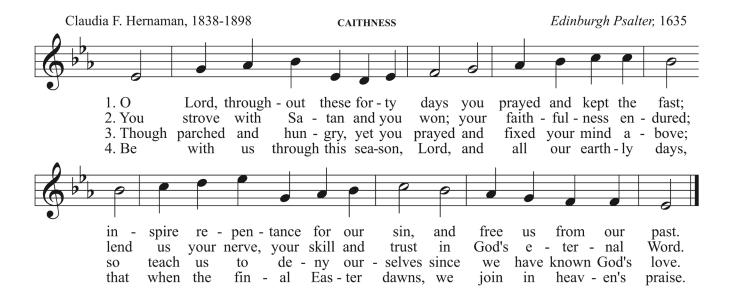
#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." (1 Cor. 11:25)



#### **\*** BENEDICTION

#### **\* DEPARTING HYMN**



#### **LESSONS**

#### Psalm 118:23-29

This is the Lord's doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the Lord has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Hosanna, Lord, hosanna!
Lord, send us now success.

Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord;
we bless you from the house of the Lord.

God is the Lord, who has shined upon us;
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will thank you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

#### Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey. on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off. and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea. and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

#### Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

#### Sermon Lesson—John 12:12-19

<sup>12</sup>The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup>So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" <sup>14</sup>And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

<sup>15</sup>"Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

<sup>16</sup>His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. <sup>17</sup>The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. <sup>18</sup>The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. <sup>19</sup>So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

## Redeemer Calendar

#### PALM SUNDAY

Sun, Mar 24	8:45 & 11:15 a.m.	The Divine Service, Rev. Eric Landry preaching
	_	Procession of Palms, children meet at the north narthex door
	10:15 a.m.	School of Discipleship, classes for all ages in Calvin Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Evening at Redeemer: Adult Study, Youth Group, Children's Choirs, nursery care
Mon, Mar 25	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study, (via Zoom) study of Hebrews, contact Tami White
Thu, Mar 28	6:30 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Feast, Covenant Hall, RSVP required
Fri, Mar 29	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday: Service of Darkness, nursery care provided
		RESURRECTION SUNDAY
Sun, Mar 31	8:45 & 11:15 a.m.	The Divine Service, Rev. Eric Landry preaching
		No School of Discipleship or Evening at Redeemer, Easter break
	1:00 p.m.	Young Adults lunch, McBee home, RSVP to Susanna by March 28
Mon, Apr 1	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study, (via Zoom) study of Hebrews, contact Tami White
Apr 5-6	_	<b>Setting Parents Free:</b> Conference with Dr. John Cox, registration details below
Fri, Apr 12	7:30 p.m.	AoA Presents: Tallis Scholars in concert, artsonalexander.org for tickets
Sat, Apr 13	9:30 a.m.	Annual Shepherding Teams Meeting
Sun, Apr 14	1:00 p.m.	<b>Intro to Redeemer class,</b> contact Danny Morgan for info and the registration link
Sat, Apr 20	9:30 a.m.	American Sign Language Seminar with the Herr family, save the date!
Sun, Apr 28	_	End of spring session, School of Discipleship and Evening at Redeemer
May 3-4	7:30 p.m.	AoA Presents: Mozart Requiem, visit artsonalexander.org for details and tickets
Sun, May 5	6:00 p.m.	Hymn Sing, presented by children's and youth choirs, all are welcome

#### Holy Week at Redeemer

#### Maundy Thursday: March 28

Come at 6:30 p.m. for our traditional Maundy Thursday Feast, a wonderful meal prepared by our in-house cooks and kitchen volunteers. If you have signed up and your plans change, please email Kelly Peacock to make room for those on the wait list: kpeacock@tortillacoast.net.

#### Good Friday, March 29

One service, at 7 p.m., will feature congregational singing, music from the Redeemer Choir, and readings from the Gospel of Luke. Nursery care will be available.

#### Easter Sunday, March 31

We will celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior at our usual service times—8:45 and 11:15, with no School of Discipleship and no Evening at Redeemer activities.

#### **March Missions Spotlight**

This month we are praying for Peru Mission and Redeemer's short-term team that we will be sending to work with them in June. Please scan for details!



#### **Parenting Conference: Register Now!**

Friday, April 5, and Saturday, April 6
Parenting Conference: Setting Parents Free

Speaker: Dr. John Cox \$15 per family

Childcare provided: RSVP required when you register



Scan for details and to get your ticket.

#### **Intro to Redeemer: April 14**

If you want to learn more about Redeemer, our mission, beliefs, and values, please plan to attend this class (which is required for church membership). Please register using the code below and let us know if you will need child care. Then we'll gather for an informational session on Sunday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. with lunch provided. Scan here for the registration site.



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