



GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Service of Worship
Palm Sunday

April 9, 2017

8:50am

Gathering All People in a Caring Christian Community

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fred Holbrook

(Please sign and pass the Grace Greetings books at this time.)

*SINGING

Prepare the Way

By Darrell Evans and Eric Nuzum

Hosanna, Praise Is Rising

By Benton Brown and Paul Baloche

If you would like to participate in the Parade of Palms during the next Hymn, please gather in the Concourse with your palms.

THE LIGHT ENTERS

Molly Lafferty

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

All: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

One: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

All: Hosanna in the highest! Let us worship God!

*SINGING 197

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

ELLACOMBE

COME AS A CHILD

(Afterwards, children ages 4 through 1st grade may go to Awakening to Worship, our child-friendly worship service. Greeters will meet the children at the back of the sanctuary and go to Room 12 downstairs where parents may pick up children when worship is over.)

Sing 196

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

*All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.*

CONFESSION OF SIN *(unison)*

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ you entered Jerusalem to die for our sins. We confess we have not hailed you as king, or gone before you in the world with praise. For brief faith that fades in trouble, for enthusiasms that fizzle out, for hopes we parade but do not pursue, have mercy on us. Forgive us, God, and give us such trust in your power that, in every city, we may live for justice and tell your loving-kindness; for the sake of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God’s love has entered our world through the triumphant love of Christ Jesus our Lord. Sisters and brothers, our sins are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you and everyone.

All: And also with you and all others!

(Let us greet one another with expressions of love.)

*SINGING

Oceans

By Matt Crocker, Joel Houston, and
Solomon Lighthelm

*Equipping People to Develop and Share a
Faith That Works in Real Life*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Emily Grice

EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11
(Old Testament, Page 197)

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 21:1-11
(New Testament, Page 23)

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.
Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC

How Can It Be?

Praise Team

By Jeff Johnson, Jason Ingram,
and Paul Mabury

SERMON

“Who Is This?”

Fred Holbrook

Sending People to Serve in the World

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC

*SPECIAL MUSIC

Lead Me To the Cross

Praise Team

By Brooke Ligertwood

THE LIGHT DEPARTS

Molly Lafferty

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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