

Palm Sunday



ST. PETER'S
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

April 5, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Special large print bulletins and large print hymnals are available.
Please ask one of the Ushers.*

**(Stand as you are able.)*

A TIME OF GATHERING and WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 118:24*

*"This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it."
Worship has begun.*

PRELUDE

Thou Art God

by Lionel Bourne

Caroline violin, Eva oboe, Katrina cello

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*OPENING HYMN

All Glory, Laud and Honor

St. Theodulph

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*RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF INVOCATION Robert Alter translation Psalm 118

Leader: Acclaim the Lord, for He is good, forever is His Kindness

People: Forever is His Kindness! Forever is God's Kindness!

Leader: Let all the People say

All: Forever is God's Kindness!

Leader: We beseech You, Lord, pray, rescue. We beseech You, Lord,
make us prosper.

All: Blessed who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you
from the house of the Lord.

TIME OF UPDATES AND PRAYER

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

A TIME OF LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21:1-11 (NRSV)

SERMON *Backward Day*

REFLECTION HYMN *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* Ellacombe

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A TIME OF GIVING

OFFERING INVITATION

Offertory *Les Rameaux* by Jean-Baptiste Faure

Caroline soprano, Eva oboe, Katrina cello

Arranged by Caroline Wolfe. English Translation by Caroline Wolfe (soprano, oboe, cello)
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*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host; **
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

(***alternate: Creator, Christ and Spirit, One. Amen*)

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A TIME TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (*sung*)

Blest Be the Tie That Binds, *verse*

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Caring for Us

Caring for Others

Praising God

A TIME OF GOING OUT

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(We offer one another the peace of Christ for the week ahead.)

*PARTING HYMN *Ride On! Ride On in Majesty*

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Ride On , King Jesus* African American Spiritual

Caroline violin, Eva oboe, Katrina cello

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WORSHIP TEAM

Interim Senior Pastor
Music Director & Organist

Pastor Arlen G. Vernava
Pam Schuster



Welcome Everyone! Feel at home,
for Christ Jesus is our host.

The Psalmist sings: "Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into God's presence with singing... thanksgiving...
and praise." We pray peace and joy to you, dear friend.

Please fill out an attendance card: thank-you. Refreshments and
visiting follow worship, on Zoom!

Maundy Thursday worship at 7pm - this week - on Zoom. Join at
6:50pm.

Good Friday prayer and meditation begins at Noon - on Zoom. Join at
11:50am.

Easter Sunday. Join Zoom at 9:45am. "Seats" for 100 places. Enough
room for your friends!

The Wolfe sisters: Caroline (violin and soprano voice), Eva (oboe) and Katrina (cello) offer music ministry from their living room, until we again gather in St. Peter's sanctuary. Pam Schuster makes their ministry possible, in part, by foregoing her compensation while we "shelter at home." Thank-you Pam.

This week's loose offering will go to **Haven Center Homeless Shelter**. Next Week's loose offering will go to the **Deacon's Fund**.

Circle Six Update

The bake sale for April 5 is postponed. Stay tuned for an update on when the new date is.

The annual All Daughter's Tea will not happen this year. This is not because of the virus. This decision was made several months ago.

Scholarship Applications

Scholarship Committee are now handing out scholarship packets to anyone interested in furthering their education. Please e-mail Katie at admin.ofc@stpetersamherst.org for an application. All scholarships must be turned in by May 15th.

Sunday Sermons

Today's worship can be found on our website stpetersamherst.org under **Visitors** tab, then **Sermons**. Also, under **Visitors** tab, then **EChurch**. Find also the bulletins for previous Sunday services.

Make it a blessed Holy Week and look for Holy Week emails and listen for One-Calls.

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