

OFFERTORY "Ah, Holy Jesus"

Gordon Young

*DOXOLOGY

Old 100th

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

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE AND 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.

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN OF SENDING #285 "Jesus, Remember Me"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #4 "Bless His Holy Name"

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me,
bless his holy name. He has done great things, he has done great things, he has done great things,
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Lenten March"

Luigi Bottazzo

HOSANNA, LOUD HOSANNA

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
Through 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 heaven our King.
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

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Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

April 9, 2017

11:00 a.m.



Pilate said to them, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" All of them said, "Let him be crucified!"
Matthew 27:22

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

APRIL 9, 2017

(Please silence and refrain from using all electronic devices during worship.)

* Those who are able, please stand.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

OPENING VOLUNTARY "The King Rides In"

Lani Smith

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Terry Holmes

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Those who are able, please stand.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 31)

Liturgist: Terry Holmes

Leader: We trust in you, O Lord; we say, "You are our God."

All: Our times are in your hand.

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

All: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

PROCESSION OF THE PALMS

*CHORAL INTROIT "Enter Into the City of God" Denis Dobrinski

Sanctuary Choir

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #267 (lyrics on back) "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" (verses 1 & 3 only)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, forgive our quick tempers, our fretting, our complaining. Forgive us when we focus on things that are petty and temporary, and forget the suffering you endured for our sake, the sacrificial love you showed in your willingness to suffer and die in our place. Forgive us, Lord, and please cleanse us of every thought or action that does not reflect your humility and profound love. Please continue to hear us as we confess now in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Ephesians 1:7-8a)

Leader: In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. Friends, give thanks again for the great good news of the kingdom of God:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

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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.

PROCLAIMING AND ENACTING THE WORD

*HYMN OF CONSECRATION #286 "Stay with Me"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Mary Carol Stanley

ANTHEM "Silence the Stones" Craig Courtney

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Page 640, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Matthew 27:11-54

Page 30, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Solidarity"

Glory Cumbow

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

MINISTRY OF GIVING