

# Grace Presbyterian



April 13, 2025

Palm Sunday

Worship - 10:30 AM

**“Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord's name.”**

Psalm 118:26

WELCOME TO GRACE! We love having you join us for worship! If you need anything, any of the ushers will gladly help you.

LARGE PRINT: We have large print hymnals & scriptures in the narthex.

CHILDREN: In the narthex you will find Child Activity Bulletins for your children to use in worship. All children are welcome to stay in the sanctuary for the entire service. Additionally, there is a play area for your little ones in the narthex.

RESTROOMS: You can find an accessible restroom right outside the sanctuary by the elevator. We also have restrooms on either side of the Upper Room and larger restrooms in the basement!



Prayer cards are available in your pews for the sharing of *Joys and Concerns*. You can give them to Reverend Ann Pitman.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY		
WORSHIP LEADER Rev. Ann Pitman	CHOIR DIRECTOR Thomas Callahan	TECHNOLOGY John Current & Bill Werling
LAY LEADER Tyler Bowers	PIANIST Sue Creager	COUNTERS Bob Bausser & Pam Callahan
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Todd German	USHERS Pam Callahan, JoAnn Getts, & Tyler Bowers	
MINISTY MOMENT Stacey Monnier		



*Congregation reads the responses in bold.*  
*\*Indicates when to stand in body or spirit.*

Prelude

*The Holy City* by Adams

*~ The Light of Christ Enters our Worship ~*

\*Call to Worship —

Children of God, Rejoice!  
Sing out in celebration, God's people!  
Your King is coming to you,  
humble, riding on a donkey,  
on a donkey's foal.  
Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is the one who comes  
in the Lord's name.  
Glory to God! Hosanna!

\*Opening Hymn

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

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\*Call to Confession —

\*Prayer of Confession —

Lord Jesus Christ, we recognize that Your life among us was one of sacrifice. That You came to confront the hatred, fear, violence and evil in us. That You seek to throw over the tables of greed and injustice in us. Forgive us when we resist Your coming, when we reject You and seek to silence Your transforming and challenging influence.

*(Time of Silent Prayers and Confessions)*

\*Assurance of Pardon —

Have mercy on us, O God, do not cease to come to us and to call us to life. Help us to embrace the way of the cross and to live in the power of Your death-defying love. For Jesus' sake.  
Amen.

Passing the Peace

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The Peace and Love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
And also with you!

**Children's Message**

Time of Music and Mediation

Prayer for Illumination —

Scripture Reading:

*Hebrew Bible Reading – Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29*

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Choir Anthem

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

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Scripture Reading:

*Gospel Reading – Luke 19:28-40*

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Sermon

\*Affirmation of Faith: from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in **our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

\*Hymn of Response

*Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!*

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## **Prayers of 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.

Call to Offering — from *Touch Holiness -- Resources for Worship*

One Great Hour of Sharing Moment

Offertory

*The Palms* by Faure

\*Doxology

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

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\*Prayer of Dedication —

Announcements

\*Closing Hymn

*What Wondrous Love is This*

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\*Charge & Benediction

Postlude

*Ride On, Ride On in Majesty* by Paxton

*\_ We follow the Light of Christ into the World \_*

# Announcements

Worship Leaders — April 20<sup>th</sup>

Lay Leader — Jill Werling

**Children's Message** — Katie Lochry

Ushers — Pam Callahan, JoAnn Getts,  
& Tyler Bowers

Technology — John Current & Bill  
Werling

Counters — Pam Callahan & Bob  
Bausser

## Birthdays

MacGregor W. Lilly - April 15

## Anniversaries

Alex & Amanda Bowers  
April 20, 2019



## HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday

@ UNITED FAITH - 6:30 PM

Good Friday

@ UNITED FAITH - 12:00 PM

Easter

@ GRACE - 10:30 AM



Prayers for Sandy Garcia as she prepares for her ordination exams.

Prayers for Deb White and for speedy healing of her foot.

Prayers for JoAnn Gets recovery from surgery.

One Great Hour of Sharing: Next Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, we will be collecting our annual special offering for the One Great Hour of Sharing.

Boy Scouts Easter Breakfast: The annual Easter Breakfast, hosted by troop #15, is next Sunday, Easter Morning. The meal runs 8:30-10:00 AM. The spread is quite large and includes: pancakes, breakfast meats, fruit, and more! A free will donation is encouraged.

**Grace's Annual Tin Caps Outing:** Congregational Life has once again set up an excursion to see our local Tin Caps. The game is on May 18<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 PM. The cost is \$29. The deadline to sign up and pay is May 4<sup>th</sup>. Talk to Tammy for more information.

Easter Candy Donations: We are looking for candy donations for our Easter Egg Hunt at Grace event, April 19<sup>th</sup>. Donations can be brought to the narthex. There is a bin set up for them. We are also in need of volunteers. Sign up in the narthex.

North Highland Neighborhood Association Garage Sale Opportunity: During the community sale, June 13-14, Grace will be offering space for those that might want to join but don't have a local garage. For a \$10 donation you can reserve a table in our fellowship hall. For a \$5 donation you can reserve a spot (about two car spaces) in our parking lot. See Tammy for more information or to get your space.



**Grace Presbyterian Church**  
(1811 Fairhill)

***EASTER EGG HUNT***

***Candy, Crafts, Music, & more!***

**Saturday, April 19**

**10:00 a.m.**



## OUR LENTEN GIVING

Lent is a time to reflect on Christ's suffering and sacrifice, but it also brings us joy and hope in His promises. Through our daily personal sacrifices this Lenten season, we prepare ourselves to fully participate in the joy of the Easter story. This year, our Lenten collection will support the Wellspring Christmas Luncheon for their clients and families. Lenten Coin Folders and Fish Coin Boxes are available on the table in the Narthex.

Fishes and Loaves Collection for Lent:

We are collecting cans of tuna, salmon, and boxes of crackers to benefit the United Faith Food Bank. Monetary donations are also welcome to help purchase additional items.

For over 75 years, One Great Hour of Sharing **has partnered with others to share God's** love through three life-saving programs that advance justice, resilience, and sustainability:

- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance – Restoring communities in need
- Presbyterian Hunger Program – Providing bread for the hungry
- Self-Development of People – Breaking the bonds of injustice

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