

# The Presbyterian Church at Tenafly



***For Every Heart a Home***

**March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
Palm Sunday at 10:30am**

## Joint Worship

**Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie**

**Liturgist: Jeanne Lambert**

**Coffee Hour Host: Viki and Don Shima**

**Ushers: Brian Coats-Thomas, Diane Allen and Melissa Rexroth**

*Welcome to worship! If you are visiting or here for the first time and would like to stay in touch with us, please consider filling in one of the contact cards that you will find alongside the hymnals or you can use this QR code. These can be placed in the offering plate or handed to an usher. Church School for children happens during the 10:30am worship service. Ask one of the ushers for directions if you would like to take your child through to join in.*



### **Preludes in Church**

#### **Welcome in the Church House**

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

*Today we gather in the Church House to begin the service, though you are welcome to meet in the Sanctuary if this is easier for you. Those who gather in the Church House will walk in procession recalling Palm Sunday then join us for worship together.*

#### **Going Up to Jerusalem**

**\*Hymn 400 (Psalm 122)**      *I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say* (see page 8)

#### **We Walk in Procession to the Sanctuary**

#### **Sharing the Peace**

#### **Song**

*Hosanna*, by Carl Tuttle

(During which the children bring in the Jesus wagon!)

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, 'Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.' The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

**Choir Anthem**

*Lift Up Your Heads Jerusalem*, by C. Martin

*Lift up your heads, Jerusalem, lift high the palms of praise. Lift high your glad hosannas. Rejoice! Prepare the way! All glory, laud and honor to Thee, Redemer, King; to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. O blessed is He who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord. Lay down your palms, Jerusalem. Bow down before your King. Present your lives, a sacrifice, rejoice, give thanks and sing. Rejoice, give thanks and sing. Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to God in the highest! Lift up your heads, Jerusalem. Lift high the palms of praise. Lift high your glad hosannas. Rejoice! Prepare the way! Blessed is He who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord. O blessed is the One who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord; Praise the Lord!*

**Reading**

Philippians 2:5-11

Liturgist

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**\*Hymn** (Psalm 118)

*This Day Was Made by the Lord* (vs.1,2,4,5)

***(All) Refrain***

*This day was made by the Lord,*

*let us rejoice, let us be glad.*

*This day was made by the Lord,*

*let us rejoice in salvation!*

***(Choir) Verse 1***

I thank you, your love is eternal,

you have given me life.

You have given me life.

I will proclaim the wonders you do! ***Refrain (all)***

***(Choir) Verse 2***

Your hand raised me up in triumph,

you have given me life.

You have given me life.

I will proclaim the wonders you do! ***Refrain (all)***

***(Choir) Verse 4***

You opened the gates of heaven,

you have given me life.

You have given me life.

I will proclaim the wonders you do! ***Refrain (all)***

***(Choir) Verse 5***

You are my strength and my Savior,

you have given me life.

You have given me life.

I will proclaim the wonders you do! ***Refrain (all)***

**Sermon**

*Walking the Way of Jesus*

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

**Offering during** which we hear *Hosanna* by Paul Baloche and Brenton Brown

*If you are visiting or would like to make an extra offering on top of your usual contribution to the church, you can use your smart phone to scan this QR code to make a donation by credit card (3% surcharge) or by debit card (no surcharge). Cash and check donations are always acceptable!*

GENERAL OFFERING



**\*Doxology**

**Prayer of Dedication, Thanksgiving and Intercession**

**\*Hymn** *Ride On, Ride On, the Time is Right* (see page 9)

**\*Blessing with Sung Celtic Amen**  
*Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen (x2)*

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

**Postlude**

**\*Those who are able, please stand.**

## **Announcements**

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

**Joint Worship at 10:30am in the Sanctuary for Easter Sunday**

**Livestreaming of Worship.** Today's service is broadcast live online. You can watch the service again later via our website homepage if you wish to. Huge thanks to our entire technical team.

***Adventures in Faith*** will meet this Wednesday April 1<sup>st</sup> at noon. Bring your lunch if you wish; snacks and drinks provided.

## **Holy Week and Easter Worship**

- Maundy Thursday agape supper at 6:30pm in Jim Henry Hall, please sign up today.
- Tenebrae service at 8:30pm in the Sanctuary.
- Good Friday Walk of Witness begins at the Church of the Atonement, Highwood Avenue at 1pm.
- Easter Eve, Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup> at 8pm The Great Vigil of Easter with lighting of the new fire and baptism of Ihhyun, Ethan and Evan Rhee.
- Easter Communion Celebration with children's program at 10:30am on April 5<sup>th</sup>

**Decorating the church for Easter** – volunteers are needed at 9:30am on Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup>. Come help us arrange all the potted bulbs/plants to make the church look fabulous!

**PCAT Men's Dinner** - Save the Date: Tuesday April 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at Café Europe in Tenafly.

**The Presby Readers** next meeting will be Sunday, April 12th at Viki Shima's home at 4pm. We will be discussing *How to Read a Book: A Heartfelt Novel of Redemption and Unlikely Friendships in a Small Town....* By Monica Wood.

**Tenafly Nature Center's Annual *Trash-a-thon Tenafly Cleanup*** Sunday, April 19th. If you would like to volunteer, contact Mary Jane directly at [mjeimer@aol.com](mailto:mjeimer@aol.com) and she will sign you up for our team, the "Presbyterian Church at Tenafly Clean Up Crew." Meet at Huyler Park at 1pm. Wear comfortable clothes, shoes that you don't mind getting a bit muddy, and bring some work gloves. You will be provided with plastic bags and tool to pick up trash. Ask a friend to join and the work goes fast and is fun, ending at 4pm! Mary Jane Eimer and Gillian Iappelli and Mission Committee Co-chairs

**Jazz Vibraphone and Piano concert** with Allen Farnham (father of Will!) and Ted Piltzecker on Sunday May 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm. We know it's Mother's Day! Why not bring along your mom for a tremendous musical treat from these world class jazzers! Have you ever heard jazz vibraphone? It's amazing! Free admission.

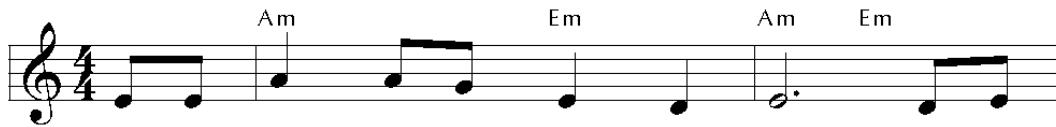
**Jason Hart in concert** Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm in the Sanctuary. Our resident pianist will delight once again. Save the date!

## Regular Groups at PCAT

GROUP	WHEN	CONTACT
AA (Morning Glory)	Saturdays 10:30am JHH	Jay McSherry JayMcSherry@earthlink.net
Adventures in Faith	Wednesday 12pm Church House	Pastor Martin pastorpcat@gmail.com
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Choir	Sundays 9am	Jim Millar Dirmusic@tenaflypresby.org
Church School and Childcare	Sundays 10:30am	Sherrie Reilley <a href="mailto:reilleysherrie@gmail.com">reilleysherrie@gmail.com</a>
Cro-Knitters	Tuesdays 2pm-4pm Lounge	Joan Roselle (201) 569-3819
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Men's Group		Pastor Martin pastorpcat@gmail.com or Jim Crook rjamescrook@gmail.com

# 400 I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say

(Psalm 122)



1 I re - joiced when I heard them say: "Let us  
2 Like a tem - ple of u - ni - ty is the  
3 It is faith - ful to Is - rael's law, there to  
4 For the peace of all na - tions, pray: for God's  
5 For the love of my friends and kin I will

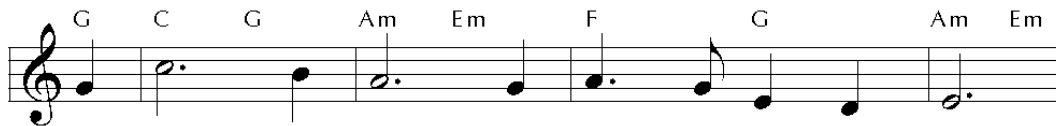


go to the house of God." And now our feet are  
cit - y, Je - ru - sa - lem. It is there all tribes will  
praise the name of God. All the judg - ment seats of  
peace with - in your homes. May God's last - ing peace sur -  
bless you with signs of peace. For the love of God's own

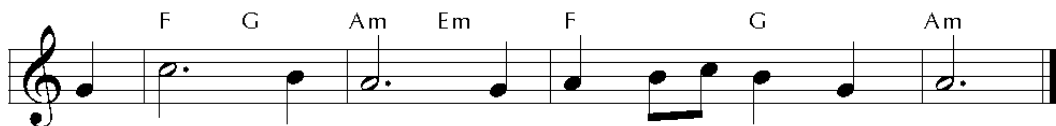


stand - ing in your gates, O Je - ru - sa - lem!  
gath - er, all the tribes of the house of God.  
Da - vid were set down in Je - ru - sa - lem.  
round us; may it dwell in Je - ru - sa - lem.  
peo - ple I will la - bor and pray for you.

## Refrain



Sha - lom, sha - lom, the peace of God be here.



Sha - lom, sha - lom, God's jus - tice be ev - er near.

# Ride On, Ride On

WINCHESTER NEW

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). It consists of five systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are as follows:

1. Ride on, ride on, the time is right: the  
2. Ride on, ride on, your cri-tics wait, in-  
3. Ride on, ride on, while well a-ware that  
4. Ride on, ride on, though blind with tears, though  
5. Ride on, ride on, the room is let, the

road-side crowds scream with de-light; palm branch-es mark the  
trigue and ru-mor cir-cu-late; new lies a-bound in  
those who shout and wave and stare are mor-tals, who, with  
dumb to speak and deaf to jeers. Your path is clear, though  
wine ma-tured, the saw is whet; and dice your death-throes

pil-grim way where beg-gars squat and chil-dren plays  
word and jest, and truth be-comes a sus-pect guest.  
com-mon breath, can crave for life and lust for death.  
few can tell their gar-ments pave the road to hell.  
shall at-tend, though faith, not fate, dic-tates your end.

6. Ride on, ride on, God's love demands;  
justice and peace lie in your hands.  
Evil and angel voices rhyme:  
this is the man and this the time.

# HOLY WEEK AND EASTER THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT TENAFLY

**APRIL 2 MAUNDY THURSDAY at 6:30pm**

Middle Eastern Supper with communion in Jim Henry Hall,  
followed by the Service of Tenebrae by candlelight  
in the Sanctuary at 8:30pm

**APRIL 3 GOOD FRIDAY at 1pm**

Ecumenical Walk of Witness beginning at Church of the Atonement,  
calling at PCAT at 1:30pm

**APRIL 4 EASTER VIGIL at 8pm**

Lighting of The New Fire and Baptisms

**APRIL 5 EASTER SUNDAY at 10:30am**

Easter Communion Celebration with choir, organ and band  
followed by an Easter Egg Hunt for children



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DUMPLINGS,  
AND POPCORN

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4PM-6PM

AGES 3 YEARS-4TH GRADE

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