



LOWER BRANDYWINE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcoming All,
Worshipping Christ,
Working to Share
God's Love!

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Palm Sunday

April 2, 2023

10:00 AM

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude	Voluntary on 'All Glory, Laud, and Honor'	G. F. Kauffmann
Jr. Choir Processional	Bring Palm Branches	C. Berry
Choral Introit	Hosanna! Blessed Is He That Comes	C. Gregor

* Call to Worship *(Please stand and join responsively)*

One: Children of God, Rejoice! Sing out in celebration, God's people!
Your King is coming to you, humble, riding on a donkey. Zec. 9:9

Many: *Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!*
Blessed is the one who comes in the Lord's name.

All: *Glory to God! Hosanna*

* Hymn No. 199	Filled with Excitement <i>Choir v. 1, Congregation v. 2</i>	<i>Hosanna</i>
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Prayer of Confession *(The congregation uniting)*

Abba God, Father of Jesus, forgive our lack of respect and attention as your son enters this most painful of weeks. We, like the disciples, fall asleep when Jesus asks us to stay awake and pray. Our minds wander as he sets his path straight for Jerusalem to speak truth to power on our behalf. We are careless with our faith, while Jesus acts with extraordinary love. Forgive our apathy. Forgive our inattention. Forgive our careless and self-serving attitudes. Remind us, this Holy Week, of the salvation you offer in Jesus Christ. Let us not take this gracious gift for granted. (A time of silent confession) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response

Hymn No. 214 (v. 1)	You Are My Refuge, Faithful God	<i>Morning Song</i>
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Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading	Ephesians 5:8-14	N. T. pg. 172
One:	The Word of the Lord.	All: Thanks be to God.

Parable Time

Solo	Ride On, King Jesus	<i>Nancy Day</i> <i>Spiritual</i>
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Sermon	Crying Out, Hosanna!	The Rev. Nona Holy
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The Ritual of Friendship

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem	God So Loved the World	<i>Johann Gottfried Walther</i>
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* Doxology

* Offering and OGHS Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord is with you!

And also with you!

People of God, lift up your hearts to the One who extends to you new life in Jesus.

We lift our hearts to the One who loves and forgives us.

People of God, give thanks to the Lord our God.

We sing praises to the One through whom we know the freedom of God's saving grace.

*As we remember the joy and excitement of the parade,
as we remember the gentle words he taught,
as we remember the spirit with which he died,
we proclaim the One who is the Bread of Life:*

**All: Christ dies, emptying his life for us;
Christ was raised, defeating our old adversaries sin and death;
Christ will come, to fulfill what has been promised.**

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion

- * **Hymn No. 230** (v. 1, 2, 4) Joyful is the Dark *Lindner*
- * **Benediction**
One: Now we will set aside our palm branches,
All: to go and serve at God's side in a broken and fearful world.
One: Now we will pick up our cloaks and follow Jesus wherever he leads,
All: to learn from those the world ignores, to be touched by the grace within them.
One: Now we will sing songs of wonder,
All: as we work alongside the Spirit, sustaining the weary with peace and hope.
- * **Choral Dismissal** Sing Hosanna *M. Praetorius*
- * **Sharing the Peace of Christ**
One: The peace of Christ be with you!
All: And also with you!
- * **Postlude** Concerto No. 2 in A minor, excerpt *Bach/Vivaldi*

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Participants in Today's Service:

The Rev. Nona Holy, Interim Pastor

Reed Coats, Liturgist

Matthew Quarles, Tenor Soloist

Marti Coats, Junior Choir and Treble Choir Director

Donna Beech, Director of Music

The flowers on the retable are given by Josh and Brenda Boucher
in memory of loved ones.

*Portions of today's liturgy by Teri Ott used by permission of Presbyterian Outlook and by
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CALENDAR

Start Date	Start Time	Subject
4/2/2023		Palm Sunday Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and One Great Hour of Sharing
	9:00 AM	Adult Topical Study
	10:00 AM	Worship Service
	11:00 AM	Fellowship
	11:30 AM	Treble Choir Rehearsal
4/3/2023	7:00 PM	Alateen: LIFT Room
	7:00 PM	Alanon: Classrooms 3-4
4/4/2023	9:00 AM	Men's Bible Study w/Green Hill at J's Cafe
	11:00 AM	Richard Rohr Small Group
4/5/2023	10:30 AM	Staff Meeting
	10:30 AM	Alanon: Classrooms 3-4
	1:00 PM	Music Rehearsal Preparation: All Upper Level
	1:00 PM	Alanon Post Meetings: Classroom 1
	6:30 PM	Junior Choir Rehearsal
	6:30 PM	Handbells
	7:30 PM	Senior Choir Rehearsal
4/6/2023	6:30 PM	Maundy Thursday Meal and Communion
4/7/2023		Church Office Closed
	7:00 PM	Good Friday Tenebrae Service
4/9/2023		Easter Sunday
	8:30 AM	Easter Brunch
	9:15 AM	Easter Egg Hunt
	10:00 AM	Worship Service



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Announcing some special events you won't want to miss! Support our LBPC student singers! Matthew Quarles** will be performing with his gospel choir on Saturday, April 22nd at 6:00 PM at the Calvary Lutheran Church which is on the campus of WCU. The concert is free, but donations will be gladly accepted. Also, **Matthew** will appear in the opera, *Alcina*, by G. F. Handel on May 6th and 7th at the Emilie K. Asplundh Concert Hall on the WCU campus. Finally, **Genna Hahn** will be performing her Master's Flute Recital on April 22, 2023 at 12:30 PM at the Gore Recital Hall in the Roselle Center for the Arts on the campus of UD. You are also invited to attend a reception and graduation celebration afterward! Flyers for this special event may be found in the Social Hall.
- Don't forget your Easter Flower dedications!! Forms may be found in the back of the Sanctuary.

LOWER BRANDYWINE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH *Holy Week*

O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING?

APR 2 PALM SUNDAY PALM PROCESSIONAL

10:00 AM

2 With a palm processional and shouts of *Hosanna*, we remember Jesus and the disciples' return to Jerusalem! All children and youth who are present are invited to participate! We will also dedicate the One Great Hour of Sharing special offering.

APR 6 MAUNDY THURSDAY MEAL AND COMMUNION

6:30 PM

6 Join us in the Social Hall for a simple supper followed by scripture readings, symbolic foot washing, and communion as we remember the evening of the last supper.

APR 7 GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE OF TENEBRAE

7:00 PM

7 This quiet, contemplative, candlelight service of Tenebrae and Taizé, with prayer, music, soloists and musicians, will take place in the sanctuary.

APR 9 EASTER SUNDAY BRUNCH, EGG HUNT, AND WORSHIP

8:30 AM

9 We start off this joyful morning with a potluck brunch in the Social Hall.

9:15 AM

The children are invited to bring their Easter baskets and join the lively egg hunt on the lawn (weather permitting).

10:00 AM

He is risen! He is risen indeed! We gather in the sanctuary to worship the risen Christ! Join us for this very moving service which includes the flowering of the cross and the festive music of a brass quartet accompanying the Senior Choir.

