

**First Presbyterian Church
Chippewa Falls, WI
Worship Service
April 10, 2022 – 10: 15 AM
Palm Sunday**

PRELUDE:

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

GATHERING SONG: “Take, O Take Me As I Am” GTG698

TIME OF CENTERING:

(We share a communal time of silence as we center our hearts and minds for worship. Worship Leader will end the silence with an Amen.)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Psalm 118

One: We give thanks to you, O God, for you are good; your steadfast love endures forever!

All: Open to me the gates of righteousness that I may enter through them and give God thanks.

One: Let us worship God!

HYMN:

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

No. 89

INVITATION TO CONFESSION, PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

One: This is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it upon their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. I will forgive their evil deeds, and I will remember their sin no more. In penitence and faith, let us confess our sins to almighty God. (Jer. 31:33, 34).

All: O God of Love, who sent Jesus among us, hear our confession and forgive our sin. When we invoke Christ’s name for selfish reasons, have mercy upon us. When our faith is convenient and does not lead to commitment, surround us with grace, that we may repent. We are prone to call on you to satisfy our needs; we practice obedience without cost to our comfort. Forgive our leisurely approach to your sacrifice for us as Christ intercedes on our behalf.

One: Hear Paul’s words when he reminds us to “let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who ... being found in human likeness ... humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.” As we confess Jesus Christ as Savior, God is just and forgives our sin. Therein lies our assurance.

SONG RESPONSE

“Gloria Patri”

No. 579

PASSING THE PEACE:

One: Peace be with you

All: **And also with you**

(There will be no individual expressions of Passing the Peace .)

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

HYMN OF PREPARATION:

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

No. 92

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

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

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

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

Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you, you are my God, I will extol you.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

GOSPEL:**Luke 19:28-40**

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

SERMON:**“Dare to Live Your Faith”****Rev. Terri Koca****CLOSING HYMN:****All Glory, Laud and Honor****No. 88****CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION:****POSTLUDE:**