## Fincastle Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day Passion/Palm Sunday & Communion April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 10:30am – Live Streaming



Mission Statement

Striving to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ growing in God through uplifting

Prelude: "Jesus Christ, my sure Defense"
Walther

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship: (unison)

Let us worship God. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. Praise the Lord. The Lord's name be praised.

Prayer of Invocation: The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Hymn: #204 "All Glory, Laud and Honor"

Call to Confession: (unison)

The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare with confidence to approach God. Let us ask God to forgive us.

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

Almighty God,

You love us, but we have not loved you; you call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with prejudice, warfare, and greed. God our Father, help us to face up to our selves, so that, as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silent Confession: Amen

Kvrie:

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. Assurance of Pardon: (unison)

Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

If a person is in Christ, that person becomes a new person altogether - the past is finished and gone, everything has become fresh and new.

Friends: Let us believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

\*Gloria Patri: #805
Prayers of the People

Prayer of Illumination: The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Scripture Reading:

Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29 Old Testament Reading
Matthew 21:1-11 New Testament Reading

Sermon: "Christ's Triumphal Entry Into a City Divided"

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

\*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

\*Hymn: #205 "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Elders
Invitation to the Congregation

Minister: Christ came to us proclaiming peace: peace to all those who are

near, peace to all those who are far away. In Christ's body we are made one. The

Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.** The Great Thanksgiving Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Sentences of Institution
Partaking of the Bread & Cup

Closing Prayer

Hymn: #203 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Postlude: "God gave to us this glorious day"

Walther

#### Announcements

Prayer Concerns: Al Frederick, Jean Branscom, Laura Holt, Jackie Ferrel, Holly Myers (*Ty's daughter*), Ruth Schaaf (*Bev's mother*), Mary Lee Reese, Mary Black, Audrey Brizendine (*Evelyn's friend*), Clyde & Nathalie Givens, Vaughn Bozman (*Gwen Griffith's brother*), Kaki Peaslee, Doug Ross, Dianne Poynor, Marilyn Koch (*Lisa's Mom*), Janet Woolwine (*Carolyn's Sister*), Neal Brush, Alexsis Porter (*The Porter's granddaughter*), Molly Rose (*Valerie Lucas's cousin*), Gwen Griffith, Kerri Summerlin (*Carolyn Knicely's niece*), Gretchen Greiner, Bob Waid, John Poyner, Family of Toney Fitterer

**Tenebrae / Maundy Thursday Service:** Will be live streamed to the congregation this coming Thursday, April 9th, at 7:00 p.m.

Communions: We will celebrate communion through the live streaming service for both Palm Sunday & Maundy Thursday/Tenebrae Service: you prepare your bread and cup in the safety of your own homes, and I will prepare the elements in the church's sanctuary. I will lead the service via the live streaming, and you participate remotely in your homes. Our denomination has approved this practice for these unique circumstances brought upon us by our concerns about the Covid-19/ corona virus, and our needs to keep physically distant from one another. With your help and the blessings of our Lord's Holy Spirit, we will celebrate communion and worship God together in spirit even as we worship in our respective and safe locations.

Members: Please like Fincastle Presbyterian Church on Facebook.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Maundy Thursday – April 9th at 7pm - Livestream

<u>Birthdays:</u> John Griffith 4/3, Rick Vari 4/9, Marissa Schade 4/16, Craig Leisure 4/21, Marilyn Tomblin 4/22, Debbie Coots 4/25

#### First Scripture Reading:

#### Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29

<sup>1</sup>O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures for ever! <sup>2</sup>Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures for ever."

- <sup>19</sup> Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.
- <sup>20</sup> This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.
- <sup>21</sup> I thank thee that thou hast answered me and hast become my salvation.
- <sup>22</sup> The stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner.
- <sup>23</sup> This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- <sup>24</sup> This is the day which the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- <sup>25</sup> Save us, we beseech thee, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech thee, give us success!
- <sup>26</sup> Blessed be he who enters in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.
- <sup>27</sup> The LORD is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar!
- <sup>28</sup> Thou art my God, and I will give thanks to thee; thou art my God, I will extol thee.
- <sup>29</sup> O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures for ever!

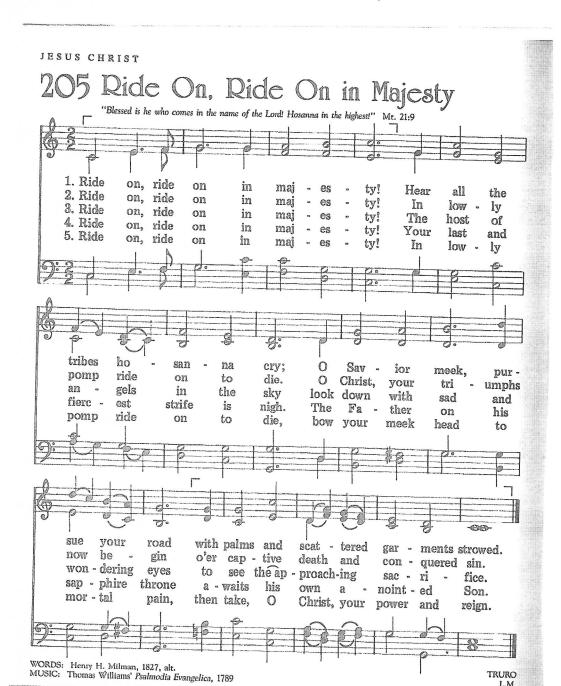
### **Second Scripture Reading:**

#### Matthew 21:1-11

- <sup>1</sup>And when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Beth'phage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples,
- <sup>2</sup> saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me.
- <sup>3</sup> If any one says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and he will send them immediately."
- <sup>4</sup> This took place to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet, saying,
- <sup>5</sup> "Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass."
- <sup>6</sup> The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them;
- <sup>7</sup> they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon.
- <sup>8</sup> Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.
- <sup>9</sup> And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"
- <sup>10</sup> And when he entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, "Who is this?"
- <sup>11</sup> And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee."

# All Glory, Laud and Honor 204





## 203 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Mk. 11:9

