

MUSICAL SELECTION *Hosanna to the King of Kings* Mary Kay Beall
Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Pastor Jim Rowell

SCRIPTURE Luke 19:28-44; Matthew 21:8-10
One: The Word of the Lord!
All: **Thanks be to God!**

HYMN #194 *When Jesus Wept*
Sung three times with choir singing first, **then the congregation joining on the second and third times.**

MESSAGE *This Little Lamb*

RESPONDING IN FAITH

OFFERING Elder Bruce C Hurley
Tithes & offerings may be placed in the boxes with crosses at the main exit of the Narthex or given via www.sopc.net.
One: May these gifts, given in gratitude and love...
All: **Change us and the world to serve your purpose.**

MUSICAL SELECTION *The Old Rugged Cross* arr. Lloyd Larson
Piano

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER Elder Bruce C Hurley

...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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*
I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN #213 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Pastor Jim Rowell

*POSTLUDE *All Hail the Power* Robert Thygeron



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Welcome!

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**April 13, 2025
Palm / Passion Sunday**

STRIKING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Elder Bruce C Hurley

MINUTE FOR MISSION

One Great Hour of Sharing

Elder Jeanne LeBoeuf

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Pending Pastoral Nominating Committee

Elder Banks Robinson

WE GATHER TOGETHER TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE

Fanfare on "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Jackie Collingsworth

*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS: from Zechariah 9:9

Elder Bruce C Hurley

One: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

All: **Behold, your king is coming to you, righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.**

*OPENING HYMN #196

All Glory, Laud and Honor

The congregation is invited to wave their palm branches during the first hymn as the children and youth process.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Elder Bruce C Hurley

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Hadessah Wright

One: The Lord is God, and God has given us light. God has answered our prayer and become our salvation.

All: **We join the festal procession with branches in hand. We rejoice at the coming of our King!**

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

All: **We bless you and praise you, Lord, from the safety of this place. Amen.**

*MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON: from John 12:46

Elder Bruce C Hurley

One: And Jesus cried out, "I have come as light into the world, that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness!"

All: **In Jesus Christ, we remain in the light; we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Jim Rowell

We invite children ages 4k - 4th grade to sit in the Children's Corner after the Children's Message. A designated adult will be sitting with the children, and age appropriate activities will be provided that go along with worship. Parents will pick up their children after the service.

*Please stand in body or in spirit. **When items are in bold, you are invited to join aloud.**



The music of Palm Sunday reflects joy and celebration during Jesus' triumphal entry to Jerusalem. It then draws our attention to His suffering and sacrificial death on the cross of Calvary.



Worship Assistants

Sunday, April 13th: Palm Sunday

Liturgist: Bruce C Hurley
 Counters: Banks & Polly Robinson
 Usher: Ron Kesterson
 Greeters: John Carter, Jeanne LeBoeuf
 Children's Message: Pastor Jim Rowell
 Children's Corner: Emalee Dillard

Sunday, April 20th: Easter Sunday

Liturgist: Bruce C Hurley
 Counters: Jim & Elizabeth Taylor
 Usher: John Carter
 Greeters: Jim Wilhide, John Carter
 Children's Message: Bruce C Hurley
 Children's Corner: Mary Dempster

Church Staff

Interim Minister: Pastor Jim Rowell;
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Office Administrator: Mrs. Annah G. Hiers;
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Accompanist: Elder Sharon Watkins
Building Superintendent: Mr. Karl Thompson
Volunteer Financial Administrator:
 Elder Sharon Staton; sharon@sopc.net
Nursery Coordinator: Mrs. Amy Schwartz



OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Thursday; 10 am - 2 pm

Sunday, April 13: Office Closed; Palm / Passion Sunday
 9:45 am - Sunday School for All Ages
 9:45 am - Choir Rehearsal
 10:00 am - 2:00 pm - The Well Church
 11:00 am - Worship
 11:00 am - 4:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.
 12:00 pm - Good News Ministry Meeting
 3:00 pm - Clothing Closet Opens Prior to Love Revolution
 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm - Love Revolution

Monday, April 14:
 8:00 am - 4:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Troop 91
 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA
 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.

Tuesday, April 15:
 8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
 11:00 am - Staff Meeting
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm - Yoga
 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA
 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.

Wednesday, April 16:
 8:00 am - 4:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA

Thursday, April 17: Maundy Thursday
 8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm - Live Oak Counseling
 3:00 pm - 5:15 pm - Prayer Stations
 5:30 pm - Maundy Thursday Communion Service & Simple Supper

Friday, April 18: Good Friday; Office Closed
 6:45 am - 7:45 am - Men's Lanterns Prayer Group
 8:00 am - 4:00 pm - Peaceful Gatherings Nature School
 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm - Open Sanctuary for Prayer & Reflection
 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l.

Saturday, April 19: The Great Vigil of Easter; Office Closed

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 20: Easter Sunday - Alleluia!; One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
April 21: Office Closed for Easter Monday Holiday
May 1: Parenting in Today's World workshop at McGregor PC
May 11: Mothers' Day Offering for PCSC
May 13: PW Birthday Dinner
May 18: PW Honorary Life Member Presentation
June 8: Pentecost
June 15: Fathers' Day Offering for Migrant Ministry
November 18: SOPC will host the meeting of Trinity Presbytery...volunteers needed!

A nursery is available in Building A during Sunday school & worship for children ages 0 - 4. If you have any questions, please see an usher for help.



Parents of Young Children: Please grab a "Wiggle Bag" from the Narthex / lobby before worship starts and remember that the little ones go to the Children's Corner after the Children's Message during the service. Thanks!



Guests are invited to stop by the **welcome table in the narthex/lobby**. Please take a goody bag with you as a reminder of the gift of God's love. Also, please leave your information for us on the yellow card and place it in the offering baskets. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

SESSION (*indicates chair)

Clerk of Session: Polly Robinson

Class of 2025:

John Carter - Buildings & Grounds*
 Ed Keelen - Good News*
 Sharon Staton - Missions*
 Sharon Watkins - Worship*

Class of 2026:

Liz Harris - Fellowship
 Kathy Keane - Christian Ed*
 Banks Robinson - Fellowship*
Class of 2027:
 Bruce Hurley - Disciple Care*
 Jeanne LeBoeuf - Missions
 Kitsie Miller - Fellowship
 Elizabeth Taylor - Administration*

Trustees:

Frank Sheppard - Administration*, Carol Griffith - Fellowship

Treasurer: Kathy Locklair

Presbyterian Women Moderator (SOPW):

Julie Bussells*

In Our Prayers:

God's Direction for SOPC
 Carolyn Gillis
 Tara Whitfield's Mother, Beneva
 The Family of Jane Norris
 Bruce Hurley
 Jimmy Revell & Annie Moffatt
 Mary Dempster
 Janet Jordan
 Melanie Mason & Father, Gary Mason
 Ed Keelen
 Donna Moore
 Aletha Robinson
 Sandra Johnson & family
 John Carter
 Brenda Turner
 Alene & Vern Rogers
 Jane Blackwell
 Al & Margaret Charles
 Fran & Jeffrey Brannon
 Kynslee Davis
 SOPC's Homebound Members
 The People of Ukraine
 Aleksey & Liidia Bazan
 Iglesia Presbiteriana de Nueva Paz, Cuba

Daniel and Elizabeth Turk
 (Missionaries)
 Those Less Fortunate

Those in Retirement Communities, Assisted Living, & Nursing Facilities:

Nancy Taber
 Dave, Rich & Sam Allen
 Edith Blanchett
 Kathie Cashion
 Barbara Fowler
 Bobby Sellars
 Patricia Williams
 Barry Shatzer
 Mae Leviner
 Charlene Pilkington
 Virginia Martinez
 Nancy Humphreys
 Jim Wilhide
 Ira Leon

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- There are **palm branches** in the narthex for everyone to **wave during the first hymn** as the children & youth process.
- Please see the enclosed **schedule of Holy Week events** here at SOPC.
- Our next **Churchwide Fellowship Meal will be an Easter Sunday BREKFAST** on April 20th at 9 am. The menu is: coffee, juice, sausage biscuits, & cinnamon rolls. Yum!
- **Don't forget to bring flowers from your yard or the store to adorn our Easter cross**, as a visual representation of the joy and hope of the resurrection, next Sunday at 10:30 am.
- Please join us for **Love Revolution** in the Pavilion today from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm and help serve food to our neighbors in need! **Our Clothing Closet** will open 30 minutes prior.
- If anyone found a **man's wallet** following the funeral service of Jane Norris last Saturday, please contact the church office.
- **The Missions ministry needs you!** Each year, we partner with **Migrant Ministries to help provide a meal for migrant workers** in the Ridge Spring area. One Tuesday in the summer, we prepare a supper, take it to the camp, and serve it to the workers. **We need volunteers willing to assist with meal preparation, delivery, set up, and serving.** Possible dates for us to choose from are: July 1, July 8, July 22, and August 5. **If you are available and willing, please contact Jim Taylor at 803-960-2956. We need to commit to a date as soon as possible.** Thank you!
- **Our 1 John Bible study, led by Pastor Jim, will NOT meet this Thursday due to Maundy Thursday** activities, but will resume on Thursday, April 24th at 10:30 am in the Fellowship Classroom.
- You are invited to the **youth room to view the Easter story mural banner** that our youth created last Sunday. Way to worship through Scripture and creativity, young ones!!
- **Our Youth will not meet tonight or Easter Sunday** so that our youth can spend time with their families during this holy season. Please feel free to contact Julie Bussells for more information about our active youth ministry: 803-622-9509.
- **Our next Ladies Luncheon** will be Monday, April 21st, at noon at Tupelo Honey, 2138 Pickens Street, Columbia. If attending, please notify Margaret Royals at 803-608-1434, 803-957-0430 or mroyals052@gmail.com. Thanks.
- **Our Fellowship & Roads To Faith Adult Sunday School classes**, (who are currently meeting together,) are studying the Gospel of John. All adults of the church--and friends--are welcome to join us in the Fellowship Classroom on Sunday mornings at 9:45!
- **Our SOPC BOOK GROUP** is reading *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi in April and meeting to discuss it on Thursday, April 24th at 1:30 pm at Snow's Ice Cream. The group would love to greet new faces! Contact Kitsie Miller, 803-463-6958, if you plan to attend or would like more information.
- Our SOPW will host the ladies from other local Presbyterian churches and from Presbyterian Communities on **Tuesday, May 13th at 6 pm for the annual PW Birthday Dinner.**
- If you would like to **volunteer in the sanctuary's sound booth** occasionally, please contact the church office. Training provided!
- If you are at the store and are able and feel led to pick up **individual sized bottles of water**, they would be greatly appreciated by those who come to our food pantry as the weather warms up.