

St. John's Christian Church
Pause for Praise Order of Worship
Welcome to Our Worship of God
April 5, 2020 ~ Palm Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Worship Drama – “Hosanna to the King!”

(Based on Matthew 20:29 – 21:11; John 12:9-36; Hebrews 12:2; Zechariah 9:9)

Scott, Pam & Joshua Reeb, Andrew Rohrs, David & Crissi Stuckey
Alex Young, Erich & Lynne Christman

Piano Prelude

“Behold the Lamb”

Morning Prayer

Special Music

“The King is Coming” – Scott Reeb

Worship Music

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” – Chime Choir

“Palm Sunday Glory” – Bell Choir

“Blessed is He Who Comes” – Chancel Choir

Children's Object Lesson

“Every Tongue Confess”

Scripture Reading – Philippians 2:1-11

If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, ² then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. ³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. ⁴ Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵ Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: ⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, ⁷ but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross! ⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Lesson – “Lead On, O King Eternal”

1. Triumphant Entry – An emotionally charged atmosphere, divisions of people
 - a. Crowd – four groups
 - i. Disciples – eager, yet puzzled
 - ii. Pilgrims for the Passover Feast – saw Jesus as the fulfilment of OT prophecies
 - iii. Religious Leaders – angrily determined to get rid of Jesus
 - iv. Residents of Jerusalem – under the influence of the religious leaders
 - b. Reaction and emotions of Jesus – stern, exasperated response to the Pharisees; he wept over the unbelief in the city
 - c. Remember what came next – clearing of the temple, unbelief continued
2. Hymn – “Lead On, O King Eternal”
 - a. Days of preparation
 - b. Your grace has made us strong
 - c. Holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace
 - d. Deeds of love and mercy the heavenly kingdom comes
3. Philippians 2:1-11
 - a. If you have any...encouragement, comfort, fellowship, tenderness and compassion
 - b. Then make my joy complete by being...like-minded, same love, one in spirit and purpose
 - c. Do nothing out of vain conceit...but in humility
 - d. Look to your own interests (oxygen mask) and the interests of others
 - e. Attitude...same as that of Christ Jesus
 - i. Being in very nature God...did not consider equality...something to be grasped
 - ii. Taking the very nature of a servant
 - iii. Humbled himself...became obedient to death...even on a cross
 - iv. God exalted him...highest place...above every name
 - v. At the name of Jesus...every knee should bow
 - vi. Every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord
4. Our role – following...

Worship Music

“King of Glory” – Chancel Choir

Closing Prayer and Benediction

Discovery Guide Readings

April 6, 2020	A Holy Intolerance	Ezekiel 22:23-31
April 7, 2020	The Good Shepherd	Ezekiel 34
April 8, 2020	New Heart, New Spirit	Ezekiel 36:16-38
April 9, 2020	Reviving Bone-Dry Souls	Ezekiel 37:1-14
April 10, 2020	Peace Rules!	Ezekiel 37:15-28
April 11, 2020	Among Us Forever	Ezekiel 43:1-12
April 12, 2020	Big Bang!	Luke 24:1-12

Prayer Concerns

- Dan Light's mother, Artie Light, died on March 26th at the age of 98, services were held on April 4th.
- Beverly Beaverson is now a resident at Fulton Suites in Wauseon.
- Dale VonDeylen is undergoing treatment in Defiance for stage 3 clear cell renal carcinoma.
- Sandy Miller continues through chemo treatments, having completed 6 of 18.