

First Presbyterian Church
Palm Sunday – April 5, 2020

Prelude

“Forever Reign”

Ingram/Morgan

Welcome and Announcements

Matthew 21:1-11

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

#88 (PH)

“Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!” (Mt. 21:9)

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-24

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

Let God’s chosen ones 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!**

Forever

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Prayer of Adoration: We awake to the day of triumph for our Savior! Let us give thanks for this day that leads to the cross! We come with our branches, hosannas, and songs. Filling the air with welcome to the Lord! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Amen.

Call to Confession and Prayer

Grant us the help we need to be your people— the courage to join you in the procession; the selflessness to lay our cloaks before you; the freedom to lift our palms to your glory; and the knowledge that by your grace we are forgiven.

Hear now our silent confession of the ways we have failed to follow you...

Friends, believe the good news:

In Jesus Christ, whose hand is ever reaching out to join him, we are forgiven! Amen!

...to proclaim the Father’s Word...

Prayer of Illumination: God of Courage, give us wisdom, that we may sustain the weary with our words. As we speak, help us also to listen; by the power of the Holy Spirit, may we enter into the coming Holy Week with the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Psalm 31:9-16

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Philippians 2:5-11

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Great is Thy Faithfulness (verses 1 and 3)

#276 (PH)

Message

“Praise, Pain, and Promise”

Rev. Chan Willis

+ We Believe...

“The Apostles Creed”

Dedication of Our Offerings

+ Doxology

#592 (PH)

Sharing of Prayer Concerns

“His Eye is on the Sparrow”
(verses 1 and 2)

Gabriel/Martin

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

This table of Christ is open to all believers, regardless of denominational affiliation or church membership. All who repent and believe are welcome.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen”

+ *It is Well With My Soul* [4 vss]

+ Charge and Benediction

+ Postlude

Hymn Lyrics

Forever Reign

(Verse 1) You are good You are good When there's nothing good in me

You are love You are love On display for all to see

You are light You are light When the darkness closes in

You are hope You are hope You have covered all my sin

(Verse 2) You are peace You are peace When my fear is crippling

You are true You are true Even in my wandering

You are joy You are joy You're the reason that I sing

You are life You are life In You death has lost its sting

(Chorus)

(Oh) I'm running to Your arms I'm running to Your arms

The riches of Your love will always be enough

Nothing compares to Your embrace Light of the world forever reign

(Verse 3) You are more You are more Than my words will ever say

You are Lord You are Lord All creation will proclaim

You are here You are here In Your presence I'm made whole

You are God You are God Of all else I'm letting go

(Bridge) My heart will sing no other Name Jesus Jesus

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

(Refrain) All glory laud and honor To Thee Redeemer King

To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring

(Verse 1) Thou art the King of Israel Thou David's royal Son

Who in the Lord's name comest The King and Blessed One (Refrain)

(Verse 2) The people of the Hebrews With palms before Thee went

Our praise and prayer and anthems Before Thee we present (Refrain)

(Verse 3) To Thee before Thy passion They sang their hymns of praise

To Thee now high exalted Our melody we raise (Refrain)

(Verse 4) Thou didst accept their praises Accept the praise we bring

Who in all good delightest Thou good and gracious King (Refrain)

Forever

(Verse 1) Give thanks to the Lord Our God and King His love endures forever

For He is good He is above all things His love endures forever Sing praise sing praise

(Verse 2) With a mighty hand And an outstretched arm His love endures forever

For the life that's been reborn His love endures forever Sing praise sing praise

(Pre-Chorus) Sing praise sing praise

(Chorus) Forever God is faithful Forever God is strong

Forever God is with us Forever forever

(Verse 3) From the rising to the setting sun His love endures forever

And by the grace of God We will carry on His love endures forever

(Pre-Chorus) (Chorus)

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

(Verse 1) Great is Thy faithfulness O God my Father
There is no shadow Of turning with Thee
Thou changest not Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be

(Chorus) Great is Thy faithfulness Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning New mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me

(Verse 2) Pardon for sin And a peace that endureth
Thy own dear presence To cheer and to guide
Strength for today And bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine With ten thousand beside (Chorus)

His Eye is on the Sparrow

(Verse 1) Why should I feel discouraged Why should the shadows come
Why should my heart be lonely And long for heaven and home
When Jesus is my portion my constant friend is He
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me (Repeat)

(Chorus)

I sing because I'm happy I sing because I'm free
For His eye is on the sparrow And I know He watches me
(Verse 2) Let not your heart be troubled His tender words I hear
And resting on His goodness I lose my doubt and fear

Tho' by the path He leadeth but one step I may see
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me (Repeat) (Chorus)

It Is Well

(Verse 1) When peace like a river attendeth my way; When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot You have taught me to say. It is well it is well with my soul

(Chorus) It is well with my soul.

It is well it is well with my soul

(Verse 2) Tho' Satan should buffet Tho' trials should come; Let this blest assurance control
That Christ hath regarded My helpless estate And hath shed His own blood For my soul

(Chorus)

(Verse 3) My sin oh the bliss of this glorious thought; My sin not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord praise the Lord oh my soul

(Chorus)

(Verse 4) And Lord haste the day When the faith shall be sight;
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll

The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend; Even so it is well with my soul

(Chorus)

Sermon Notes