

Order of Worship

March 29, 2026 ~ 10:00 am

Fifth Sunday in Lent and Palm Sunday

Welcome

We are delighted that you have joined us for worship this morning.

Hymnals and Bibles may be found under the pew in front of you.

The asterisk (*) in the order of worship indicates
when the congregation may stand.

Mission

Pilgrim Congregational Church is an independent community of Christian faith, which glorifies God through worship and service to others, respects individual spiritual growth, and inspires compassionate fellowship.

Vision

Pilgrim is the spiritual home of our community where all people are welcomed, known, and loved.

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Need a Confidential Prayer?

Send your prayer request to the Band of Prayer

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“All prayer requests are kept confidential”

Prelude

“Kom, Süßer Tod” (Come, Sweet Death)
Susan Winckler, organist

J. S. Bach

Hymn #280*

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

THEODULFE

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn

Parish Concerns

Rev. Horn

Call to Worship

Rev. Heather Miner

Introit

“This Is the Time for Worship”

Robert M. Boberg

This is the time for worship. This is the time for prayer.

Let us seek to live by truth and faith. God is always there.

Invocation*

Dr. Horn

Merciful God, Your strength and courage pour forth to sustain the witness of Your faithful people. Awaken in us the humility to serve wherever creation is broken and in need, that we may follow in the way of our brother, Jesus, die as He did to all that separates us from You, and with Him be raised to new life. Amen.

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.

Lesson One

Matthew 21:1-11

Dr. Horn

¹When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” ⁴This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

⁵ “Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” ¹¹The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

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Youth Message

Dr. Horn

(The youth are invited to attend Sunday School following the Lord's Prayer.)

The Lord's Prayer

Dr. Horn

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.

Anthem

"Hosanna to the King"

Dan Forrest

Hosanna!

Pastoral Prayer and Silent Prayer

Rev. Miner

Prayer Response

"He Gave His Life"

Spanish Folk Song

He gave His life; He died for me.
To Him be praise and glory.
Worthy is the Lord. Amen.

Offering

Dr. Horn

Offertory Solo:

"More than Wonderful"

Lanny Wolfe

Debbie Dey, contralto

He promised us that He would be a counselor
A Mighty God and the Prince of Peace
He promised us that He would be a Father
And that He would love us with a love that would not cease.

Well, I tried Him and I found His promises are true
He's everything He said that He would be.
The finest words I know could not begin to tell

Just what Jesus really means to me.

Doxology Hymn and Dedicatory Prayer *

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above ye heavenly host, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Hymn #140*

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

FAITHFULNESS

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Lesson Two

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Dr. Horn

¹O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

²Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." ...

¹⁹Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

²¹I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

²²The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

²³This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

²⁵Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

²⁶Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD.

²⁷The LORD is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

²⁸You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you.

²⁹O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

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Sermon

"A Song of Victory"

Rev. Miner

Hymn #160*

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

MARION

Benediction*

Rev. Miner

Congregational Response*

"God Be with You"

Hymn #672

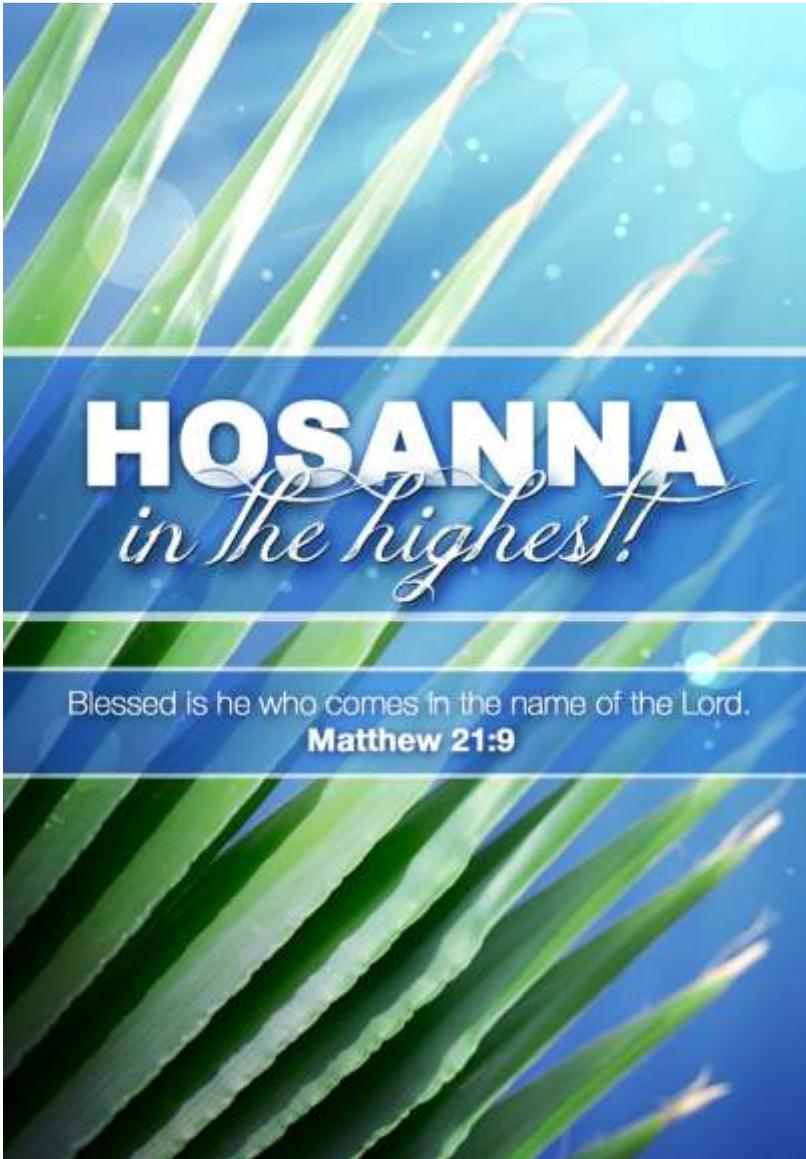
God be with you till we meet again, By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

"Pilgrim Postlude on MARION"
Bruce Jones, organist

by Bruce Jones

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The background of the entire page is a photograph of palm fronds against a bright blue sky. The fronds are green and yellow, with some showing signs of being broken or dried. The sky is a clear, vibrant blue with some light bokeh effects.

HOSANNA

in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Matthew 21:9

*Thank you for joining us today for worship service!
Please join us for fellowship following the service.*

Today's Theme: God's Steadfast Love Calls for Celebration, Even Amidst the Confusion

Color: Purple

Organists: Bruce Jones and Susan Winckler

Videographers: Bill Parnell, Andrew Olson and Dane Vose

Flower Dedications: PALM SUNDAY – This morning's flowers are lovingly and thoughtfully provided: "To the Glory of God for His Gift of Eternal Life."

Boutonnieres: Our Boutonnieres for March are provided: "In appreciation to ALL who so generously dedicate their time, talents, and treasures to Pilgrim Congregational Church."

Liturgical Notes by Dr. Patrick Horn: **Purple** was originally associated with royalty because it was a more expensive color to dye, and it was used to welcome the coming of a king. It also evokes pain and suffering. Purple symbolizes fasting, faith, patience, and trust. It is the liturgical color used during the seasons of penance, Advent, and Lent. For Advent, purple symbolizes the impending birth of Jesus while foreshadowing his death.

Meeting & Event Reminders

9:00 am, Morning Devotional (online M-F)

Today

9:00 am, to 5:00 pm, Labyrinth will be in Pilgrim Hall This Week

9:00 am to 9:45 am, Bible Study in the Parlor (Last Class)

10:00 am, Easter Egg Hunt

11:00 am, Palm Sunday Brunch Fellowship

Monday, March 30th

11:30 am, Living Faith Bible Study

Tuesday, March 31st

5:45 pm, Twilight Bible Study (online and Minister's Office)

Wednesday, April 1st

9:00 am, Rummage Sorting

7:00 pm, Church Council Meeting

Thursday, April 2nd

10:00 am to Noon, Joyful Endeavors

6:00 pm, Maundy Thursday Service & Dinner

Friday, April 3rd

10:00 am to 1:00 pm, Silent Prayer (Sanctuary)

Office will Close at 1pm

5:00 pm, CE Field Trip

7:00 pm, Young Adult Group-God Talk

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