

MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PALM SUNDAY

April 14, 2019

Eleven O'clock AM

Order of Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP..... Elder Joyce Woodard

VOLUNTARY..... "Hosanna!"

HYMN..... "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" 88

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PRAYER OF ADORATION

Almighty God, We praise you for your faithfulness. You are with us from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same. And you neither slumber nor sleep while keeping watch over your children. In times of distress and gloom, you comfort us by bringing to our remembrance that you are the same faithful God yesterday, today and forever. We bless you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE..... "Majesty, Worship His Majesty"

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CONFESSION OF SIN

Merciful God, you are all-knowing, compassionate and gracious. We confess that we hear the call to new life in your Son Jesus Christ, yet we are slow to trust you with our lives. Our faith journeys are stagnated unawares. Opportunities to serve your causes in the world cry out to us, but we are too busy with our own interests to pay attention. We forget that the day is soon passed; the night is upon us; and we are not ready to give account of our stewardship. Forgive us, O God, and make haste to draw us in the mind of Christ, that we may hereafter serve you in joyful obedience, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jesus was in the form of God, yet he did not consider equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, Jesus became obedient to death, even death on a cross (Philippians 2:6, 8). Jesus died for us, so that we might have life, and have it eternally. Let us give our lives as living sacrifices in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

SILENT MEDITATION

WELCOME TO VISITORS

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING.....Elder Pearlie Williams

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING..... Deacon Penny S. Reeves

OFFERTORY SELECTION "The Palms"

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
428...Verse 1

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Now to the One who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all we can ask or imagine, to God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

THE SCRIPTURES Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (OT)
Philippians 2:5-11 (NT)

ANTHEM "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

SERMON..... In the Mind of Christ
Rev. Samuel Stevenson

HYMN..... "Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord" 392

GIVING OF PALMS..... Youth Fellowship

PRAYER FOR THE PALMS

We praise you, O God, that today Jesus Christ, our Christ, our Lord, entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph and was proclaimed Messiah and King by those who shouted "Hosanna!" Let these palms we have received be signs of Christ's victory. May we who carry these palm branches be faithful followers of Jesus, during this Holy Week and all our lives. Through Christ The King, we pray. Amen.

HYMN..... "Fight the Good Fight" 307

BENEDICTION

VOLUNTARY..... "Ride On! Ride On In Majesty"