### Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday

March 24, 2013

Rev. Dr. Charles A. Wiessner, Pastor Dr. Lonieta Cornwall, Music Director

### **Palm Sunday**

PRELUDE

**VOTUM** 

PROCESSIONAL

"We've Come to Praise the Lord Our King"

#### INVITATION TO WORSHIP

(from Psalm 118)

O give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! Open to me the gates of righteousness that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

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 the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we beseech you, give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of God.

\*HYMN #187

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

#### \*SALUTATION

#### PRAYER OF PRAISE

(unison)

Hear our shouts of Hallelujah, most gracious Savior. Accept our praise as we thank you for our salvation. Bless us as we worship this morning. Ride into our hearts and take full possession of them. Through your Spirit help us to live as citizens of your Kingdom. In your holy name we pray, Amen.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Triumphant Song" Hand Bell Choir

SCRIPTURE Luke 19:28-40 (Page 63 New Testament)

MOMENT FOR CHILDREN

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"
Children's Bell Choir

\*MOMENT OF FELLOWSHIP

\*HYMN #185 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

MEDITATION "The Crown"

\*CONFESSION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed Page 12 Hymnal

**RECEPTION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS** 

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "Adoration" Caleb McIver, Violin

\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Passion Sunday

PRAYER OF CONFESSION #191 "Ah, Holy Jesus" (vs. 1 & 2)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE "Ah, Holy Jesus" (vs. 3 & 4)

**SCRIPTURE Luke 23:13-25, 44-46** (p. 67 New Testament)

MEDITATION "The Cross"

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

\*CLOSING HYMN #190 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

\*BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

"Just as I Am" Hand Bell Choir

\*POSTLUDE

\*The congregation may stand.

TODAY'S STEWARDS

Greeter: Carole Angrilla

Ushers: Carole Angrilla, Nancy Dey, Pete & Barbara Nickel

Nursery: Vicki, Renee & Natalie Sherwood

Fellowship: Walt & Lucy Paradies

### **NEXT WEEK'S STEWARDS (MARCH 31):**

Greeters: Pete & Barbara Nickel

Ushers: John Boezeman & sons John & Matt, John Ferris

Nursery: Andy & Katharine Hoyt

Fellowship: Nancy Dey & Barbara Nickel

#### **WORSHIP ASSISTANT**

We are happy to have Sandi Torrant sharing in the worship service this morning. There is a signup sheet in the narthex for Worship Assistants for the coming several months.

#### **OPEN ART WORKSHOP**

Please join us for our free Open Art Workshop which meets every Friday from 1-3. We meet in the Fellowship Hall and it is open to anyone, both inside and outside the church. Participants should bring any creative project in any medium and all their own supplies. Donations are optional.

#### **FOOD PANTRY**

Needed items are: cereal, sugar, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, canned milk, jelly, ramen noodles, beef stew, chili, condiments like ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, hot sauce. They could also use laundry detergent, dish detergent, paper towels and toilet paper.

#### YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

There is a need for volunteers who can provide snacks on Sunday mornings following worship. Please see the sign-up sheet and sign up for the Sunday of your choice. Your help is greatly appreciated!

### Rev. Dr. Charles A. Wiessner, Pastor Lonieta Cornwall, Music Director

This evening we are remembering the last day of Jesus' life. Our scripture readings will begin with the events of Thursday afternoon and end with sunset on Friday. As we think of what happened long ago, we must remember that these events are also important for our lives. It was for our sins that Christ died. Our desire is that you will enter into the events of these last hours of Jesus' life and that his death will take on a new meaning for you in 2013.

### The Last Hours of Jesus' Life

Prelude

Votum

Antiphonal Call to Worship:

Hymn: #280 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

(soloists-first two lines; congregation-last two lines)

### **Thursday Afternoon - Jerusalem**

Preparing the Passover Luke 27:1-13

Ministry of Music "Love Bade Me Welcome" RV Williams

Kevin Dilio, Baritone

# Thursday Evening - The Upper Room

The Foot-washing John 13:2-11

Prayer of Confession (silent)

Hymn of Assurance: "What Wondrous Love Is This?"

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, What wondrous love is this, O my soul? What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, To bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing.
To God and to the Lamb I will sing.
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great "I AM,"
While millions join the theme I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on.

The Last Supper

Luke 22:14-20

Hymn: "It Happened on that Fateful Night"

(Tallis' Canon)

It happened on that fateful night, When power of earth and hell arose Against the Son, our God's delight, And friends betrayed him to his foes

Before the bitter scene began, He took the bread and blessed and broke. What love through all his actions ran! What wondrous words of love he spoke!

"My body broken for your sin Receive and eat as living food."

He took the cup and blessed the wine, "Share this new testament, my blood."

"Do this," he said, "till time shall end, Remembering your dying friend; Meet at my table and record The full obedience of the Lord."

O Lord, your feast we celebrate'
We show your death, we sing your name
Till you return, when we shall eat
The marriage supper of the Lamb.

Meaning of the Sacrament

Communion Prayer

Words of Institution

#### Distribution of Elements

(The congregation will come forward to receive the elements. We will be happy to bring it to your seat.)

"Behold and See" (Messiah)
"We Remember"

Doug Sonderfan, Tenor

Prayer of Thanksgiving

# Thursday Midnight – The Garden of Gethsemane

Christ's Prayer Luke 22:39-46

Hymn: #189 "Tis Midnight and on Olive's Brow"

The Arrest Luke 22:47-54

# Early Friday Morning - Caiapahas' Residence

Peter's Denial Luke 22:55 - 65

Ministry of Music "He Was Despised" (Messiah)

Chris Forte, Contralto

Jesus Before the Sanhedrin Luke 22:66-71

Hymn: #191 "Ah, Holy Jesus"

# Friday Morning Soon After Dawn – The Praetorium

Jesus Before Pilate Luke 23:1-5, 13-25

# Late Friday Morning – The Streets of Jerusalem

The Way of the Cross Luke 23:26-32

Hymn: #194 "O Sacred Head Now Wounded"

# Friday Midday – Calvary

The Crucifixion Luke 23:32-49

Ministry of Music "Surely, He Has Borne Our Grief" (Messiah)

# Friday Before Sunset – Calvary and Nearby

Jesus Taken from the Cross and Buried Luke 23:50-56

Benediction and Response "Were You There?"