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Palm Sunday

First Presbyterian Church

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WELCOME



WELCOME TO ALL. You enter this church not as a stranger, but as a child of God, joining in worship with our Christian family. Please take a moment to complete a Visitor/Guest Card, located in the pew racks, and place it in the collection plate at the back of the sanctuary or give directly to Pastor Gregg. We are glad you are here.

TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP, please turn off or silence cell phones, tablets, and all other wireless electronic devices upon entering the sanctuary.

FOR FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN, nursery care is available for infants and young children through pre-K.

ASSISTANCE FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED is available. Please contact a member of the media team to use the assisted listening devices.

RESTROOMS are located across from the office area and down the hallway in the Christian Education wing.

PARKING IS AVAILABLE in the designated church parking spaces on the south and east side of the church, as well as street parking. The municipal building parking lot west of the church is also available on nights and Sunday mornings.

TODAY'S LITURGICAL COLOR IS PURPLE, which is used during the penitential season of Lent as a vivid reminder of the contempt and scorn Christ endured and the sacrifice he made for our eternal salvation.

WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER AND DEVOTIONAL is held on Facebook on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM (ET). Please contact Pastor Gregg directly to share any prayer requests.

CONTACT INFO YOU MIGHT NEED

- Contact Pastor Gregg anytime at (814) 460-3123 (call or text) and pastortownsend@yahoo.com.
- Contact music director Jane Livingston at (814) 504-1135 (call or text) and jlivingston@neo.rr.com.

CHURCH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SIGN UP TO PROVIDE FLOWERS ON SUNDAY MORNING IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE OR OCCASION. Please email jlivingston@neo.rr.com with bulletin details.

PLEASE SIGN UP TO HOST COFFEE HOUR. All you need to do is make the coffee and drinks, set out the necessary supplies and "host." If you'd like to provide snacks or cookies, it is appreciated but not required. The sign-up sheet is in the Assembly Room. It's a wonderful time for fellowship. Let's all pitch in to help!



Holy Week

Thursday, April 17 at 7:00 PM (ET) MAUNDY THURSDAY
A communion service, "Having the Identity of a Servant."

Friday, April 18 at 7:00 PM (ET) GOOD FRIDAY
A reflective service based on the Seven Last Words of Christ.

Saturday, April 19 at 8:06 PM (Sunset) EASTER VIGIL
Meet us on the front steps of the church at sunset as we bring the light of Christ into the sanctuary for worship.

Sunday, April 20 at 10:30 AM (ET) EASTER SUNDAY
Spend Easter Morning with us. Our sanctuary will be adorned with beautiful flowers as we celebrate the Risen Lord

PASTORAL PRAYER 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 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.

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North East, PA

Palm | Passion Sunday

April 13, 2025, 10:30 A.M.

Jane M. Livingston, Director of Music

Gregg D. Townsend, Pastor

SENDING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*** CLOSING SONG** “Come Ye Souls By Sin Afflicted”
See insert

*** OFFERING OUR TENTH AND GIFTS BEYOND**

*** BENEDICTION**

*** POSTLUDE**

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**Indicates to stand if you are able*

SHARING OUR JOYS, CONCERNS, AND PRAYER REQUESTS. Please fill out a Prayer Card located in the pew racks and give to Pastor Gregg before the service.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

GATHERING MUSIC

PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

Luke 19:28-40

Pastor Gregg Townsend

*** CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER** Selina Uglow

Leader: As we are called into worship today, it is sobering to remember that when God appeared on earth in the person of Jesus, most of the world did not recognize him and therefore did not worship him. Today we ask for faith that will open our eyes to see Jesus for who he is, that we might worship him in truth. People of God, behold and see your God!

Congregation: We open our eyes to see his glory. We open our ears to hear his wisdom. We open our hands to offer him gifts. We open our mouths to sing his praise. We open our hearts to offer him our love. He is Lord!

Loving Father, as we journey with your Son in this week of remembrance and hope, help us to understand you and your love for the world more clearly. Transform us by the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and prepare us for service in your kingdom, through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

*** OPENING PRAISE**

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple, the joyful anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed ‘mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud;
The Lord of earth and heaven, ride on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children should on His bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” the little children sang;
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King.
O may we ever praise Him With heart and life and voice,
And in His blissful presence, eternally rejoice.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O King of glory, we confess that our praise of your majesty has often been faint, our performance as citizens of your kingdom treasonous. For we have surrendered to the enemy by our secret and our known sins. For our treason you died, Lord Jesus. For our restoration, you rose again. Draw us closer to you in this holy week, that our eyes may catch the vision of your tears, and our hearts, the wonder of your grace. By the Holy Spirit’s continuing discipline, let us be loyal and loving servants of the King. Praise be to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Silent Confession

*** ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“We Will Feast in the House of Zion”

See insert

In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHILDREN’S BLESSING

SPECIAL MUSIC

“How Long, O Lord?”

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Joel 3:9-14

MESSAGE

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*** RESPONDING IN SONG** “What the Lord Has Done In Me”

Let the weak say I am strong. Let the poor say I am rich.
Let the blind say I can see. It’s what the Lord has done in me.

**Hosanna! Hosanna! To the Lamb that was slain.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Jesus died and rose again.**

Into the river I will wade. There my sins are washed away.
From the heaven’s mercy stream o\Of the Savior’s love for me.
(Chorus)

I will rise from waters deep into the saving arms of God.
I will sing salvation songs. Jesus Christ has set me free. **(Chorus)**

SILENT REFLECTION

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** Philippians 2:5-12
Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death— even death on a cross!

Therefore, God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.