

# Hosanna!



11 a.m. | March 29, 2026 | Palm Sunday  
Dr. Mike Garrett, Senior Pastor  
First Presbyterian Church | est. 1800

# Service of Divine Worship

11:00 a.m. | March 29, 2026 | Palm Sunday  
*Enter Reverently. Meditate Quietly. Worship Devoutly.  
Leave Gratefully. Serve Christ Faithfully.*

## Prelude

"In Christ Alone"  
Church Orchestra

Getty and Townend  
arr. Shipps and Hogan

## Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Mike Garrett

## Call To Worship

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O people of God! Shout aloud, daughters and sons of Zion! Look—your King is coming to you, humble and riding on a donkey.

**People: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Leader: The crowds gathered, waving palm branches, laying their cloaks on the road, welcoming Jesus with joy.

**People: We welcome Him today with open hearts and lifted voices!**

Leader: He comes not to conquer by force, but to bring peace, mercy, and salvation.

**People: Hosanna in the highest! Let heaven and earth rejoice—The King has come!**

## Hymn #196

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

## Call To Celebration

"Hosanna"  
The Kingdom Kidz  
Mary Ann Tally, accompanist

Lynn Russell

## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

Brian Pearce

**Lord Jesus, You came in humility, but we often want a Savior who comes in strength. You rode a donkey, but we prefer a King who rides in power. You called us to follow, but we ask You to fit into our plans. We confess that we have tried to make You in our own image—shaping You around our comfort, our traditions, our politics, our preferences. We have praised You with our lips while resisting You in our hearts. Forgive us. Disrupt us. Let us see You as You truly are—not just the Savior we want, but the Savior we need. And now in the quiet, we confess our personal sins to you.**  
(Our prayer continues in silence.) **Amen.**

## Assurance of Pardon

### Response #441

"Hear the Good News of Salvation"

NETTLETON

*Hear the good news of salvation; Jesus died to show God's love.  
Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above.  
Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!  
How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.*

**Anthem** "A Hosanna for Our Time" Karen Marroli  
Celebration Choir  
Kimberly Hopkins and Thomas Boyette, soloists  
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

**Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer** Dr. Mike Garrett

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.

## Offering

**Offertory Anthem** "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" Maker, arr. Hamby  
The Church Orchestra

**Doxology, #606** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD HUNDRETH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## Offertory Prayer

## Time for Children - Two Cents A Meal Offering

*Children 2nd grade and younger are invited to Children's Church+ \*\**

**Scripture** Matthew 21:1-11

**Message** "Hosanna" Dr. Mike Garrett

**Hymn #198** "Ride On! Ride On! In Majesty!" ST DROSTANE

## Benediction

**Benediction Response #546** SICILIAN MARINERS

*Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.  
O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.*

**Postlude** "All Hail King Jesus" Moody, Holck  
The Church Orchestra

+ Children's Church is available for 2nd grade children and younger, and meets in room 118 of the Nursery Wing. Childcare is available for all worship services in the Nursery Wing

\*\*Children who go to Children's Church can be picked up in the Parlor after the service..

## Join us for a time of fellowship immediately following the service in Fellowship Hall.

### Today's Flowers

The Sanctuary flowers this Sunday are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Benny Pearce by his family.

The Chapel flowers are given to the glory of God by the Chapel Flower Guild.



### The Church Orchestra

Flute - Holly Riedesel, Lexi J.

Clarinet - Erin Jackson

Saxophone - Sarah Szopinski

French Horn - Hunter Payne

Trumpet - Roger Holmes, Peyton H.

Trombone - Bruce McRae, Jonathan Szopinski

Tuba - Nick Psihountas

Violin - Huntyr Hopkins

Viola - Vivian K.

Cello - Martha VorderBruegge

Percussion - Cameron H. , Mya S.

Piano - Alice Ann Campbell

Organ - Mary Ann Tally

Director - Marcia Heirman Mervin

### Sanctuary flower donors are needed for

**April 19, April 26, May 3, and May 10 (Mother's Day).**

Contact Debra Chestnutt at [debra@chestnutt.com](mailto:debra@chestnutt.com) or (910) 818-9006

Monetary donations are welcome for flowers in the Sanctuary.

Just indicate "Flower Fund" on envelope or check.



### Giving & Tithes

Contributions help us continue our ministry and mission to serve Christ and share His gospel through meaningful worship, loving fellowship, spiritual growth, and compassionate outreach. Scan the code to the right to make a financial contribution -or- visit [www.firstprez.com/give](http://www.firstprez.com/give)



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## CROSSING THRESHOLDS

Zoom Listening Groups Available!

If you were unable to attend a Listening Group due to scheduling conflicts we're glad to offer Zoom options to help you participate. **We hope those who missed last weekend's sessions can join us at one of these times:**

• **March 31 at 7 p.m.**

• **April 2 at 12 p.m.**

To sign up, please scan the QR Code or visit [bit.ly/ZoomListeningGroup](http://bit.ly/ZoomListeningGroup)

Once registered, you will receive the Zoom link via email.



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## HAPPENING TODAY

- 9 a.m. Worship Service
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Worship Service
- 12 p.m. Palm Sunday Potluck Luncheon & Children's Easter Egg Hunt

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Monday, March 30

- 12 p.m. Message Seekers
- 4 p.m. UPWARDS Spring Pickleball
- 7 p.m. Prayer Beyond the Emoji

### Tuesday, March 31

- 6:30 p.m. COAP Zoom Meeting
- 7 p.m. Basketball in Fellowship Hall

### Thursday, April 2

- 10 a.m. Tapestry
- 5:15 p.m. Cantic Ringers
- 5:30 p.m. All In Fellowship Meal
- 5:30 p.m. Engagment Committee
- 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship Service

### Friday, April 3

- 12 p.m. Good Friday Worship Service
- 1:30 p.m. Men of God Rehearsal

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Apr 5 • Sunrise Easter Service
- Congregational Breakfast
- Unified 11 a.m. worship service
- H3 F Easter Potluck Luncheon
- Apr 6 • Church Office Closed
- Apr 7 • S.A.L.T. Breakfast at JK's
- Worship Committee Meeting
- Apr 8 • Spring Cleaning Day
- Apr 9 • Hannah Circle
- Apr 12 • Stephen Ministry
- MomCo Meeting
- Apr 13 • Food Service Committee
- Mission Committee
- CE Committee
- Apr 14 • Martha Circle
- Stated Deacons Meeting
- Apr 21 • S.A.L.T. trip to Botanical Gardens
- Finance Committee
- Stated Session Meeting
- Apr 27 • David's Mighty Men
- Apr 28 • COAP Zoom Meeting



## Prayer: BEYOND THE EMOJI 6

Monday, March 30  
at 7 p.m.

### *"Practical Christian Living"*

at the home of John McFadyen. Call the church office for more information.



April 2

### Maundy Thursday

5:30 p.m. All In Fellowship Meal -  
Smothered Tenderloin,  
Potatoes & Gravy

The church will provide the main entree.  
You can bring a salad, side, dessert or  
bread that will serve 8 to 10 people or pay  
\$8 per adult (age 13+) and \$3 per child (age  
5-12). The meal cap is \$20 per family.

7 p.m. Maundy Thursday  
Tennebrae Service with Communion  
Childcare will be available.

Good Friday  
Worship  
Service  
April 3

12 p.m. in the Chapel



# Easter Sunday - April 5

## 7 a.m. Easter Sunrise Worship Service

in Lafayette Park.

*\*Remember to bring your lawn chair*

## 9:30 a.m. Congregational Breakfast

in the Activity Room.



Please register for breakfast by April 1.  
Call the church office, scan the QR Code  
visit [bit.ly/FPCEaster26](http://bit.ly/FPCEaster26)

## 10 a.m. Sunday School

for all ages.

## 11 a.m. Festive Easter Worship Service

with communion in the Sanctuary.

HE IS  
**RISEN**

•celebrate the resurrection•



## H<sup>3</sup>F EASTER SUNDAY POTLUCK LUNCHEON

Sunday, April 5 following the 11 a.m. service

*Your family looks forward to having you join them on Easter!!  
Feel free to invite and bring a friend!*

The Food Service Committee will provide the plates napkins, cups, drinks,  
turkey and ham. Please let us know what you will bring by March 30.

Suggestions include salads, sides, and desserts, either  
purchased or homemade, your choice.



Sign up in Eller Hall.  
Sign up online at [bit.ly/H3FEaster](http://bit.ly/H3FEaster)  
or scan the QR Code.





# ALL IN FELLOWSHIP MEALS

with potluck sides, family & friends.

The church will provide the main entree. You can bring a salad, side, dessert or bread that will serve 8 to 10 people or pay \$8 per adult (age 13+) and \$3 per child (age 5-12). The meal cap is \$20 per family. Childcare available upon request—contact Wanda (wanda@firstprez.com) no later than the Sunday prior. **Vegan & Gluten-Free options are available!**

**Maundy Thursday - April 2 - Smothered Tenderloin, Potatoes & Gravy**

*From the table to the Cross - together.*

**April 15 - Chicken Salad, Potato Salad & Macaroni Salad**

*A fresh season of Fellowship*



CLEANING  
DAY AT  
FIRST PREZ



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Sign up online  
at [bit.ly/fpcspring](http://bit.ly/fpcspring)  
or scan the QR Code.

## SPRING CLEANING DAY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

9 A.M. - 1 P.M. & 12 P.M. - 4 P.M.

Come be part of caring  
for our church home!

Join our Facilities Team for a  
day of fellowship, teamwork,  
and a little spring cleaning.

We'll have a morning and  
an afternoon shift, and  
we'll gather together  
for lunch at 12 p.m.

(Jersey Mike's provided!)



**VBS at  
First Prez  
June  
15 - 18**

**RAINFOREST  
FALLS**  
Exploring the Nature of God

**Early registration is OPEN!**

Open to:  
FPC & First School families:  
rising PreK 4 to rising 5th grade  
Volunteers & campers -  
Register online at:  
[bit.ly/VBSatFPC](http://bit.ly/VBSatFPC)  
or scan the QR code



**Fellowship  
Breakfast**  
8:30 a.m. at JK's  
Tuesday, April 7

*s.a.l.t.*

**Tuesday, April 21  
Trip to Paul Jr. Cierner  
Botanical Gardens**

The gardens are a unique place  
with various styles of gardens  
including some 25,000 tulips  
blooming in April. Cost will be  
lunch at Sixty-six Grill & Taproom.  
We will depart the church at 8 a.m.  
RSVP by April 11 with Nancy  
Billman at 910-916-5994.



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## ARE YOU A FIRST TIME VISITOR?

We'd love to connect with you!

Be sure to fill out a Connect Card and put it in the offering plate or leave it with the pastor on your way out. We also have a gift for you!

### PASTORAL STAFF

Dr. Michael Garrett, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Chris Carson,  
Minister of Pastoral Care

### PROGRAM STAFF

Dr. Marcia Mervin,  
Director of Music Ministry & Organist  
Jessica Jones,  
Director of Youth Ministry &  
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Nichole Russ,  
Director of Communications

### SUPPORT STAFF

Wanda Ussery, Nursery Director  
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Nina McLaughlin, Facility Supervisor  
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Xavier Medina, Custodian

### MUSIC SUPPORT STAFF

Alice Ann Campbell, Accompanist &  
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Joe Evans, Section Leader  
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Don Perkins  
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Jacob Regensburger  
Martha Vorder Bruegge

## Sunday Services

9 a.m. Early Service, Chapel | 11 a.m. Service, Sanctuary

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