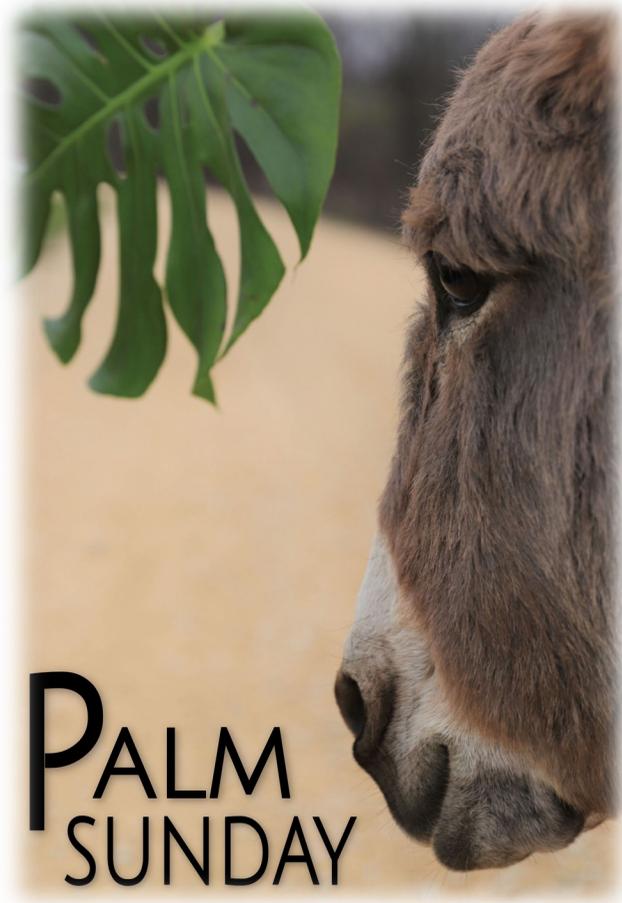


# Service of Worship

*March 29th, 2026*



First Presbyterian Church of Fort Thomas

*Rev. Dr. Holly Robertson, Pastor*  
*Mika Komuro, Pianist*

Fanfare

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

“Hosanna to the King”

Ringers in Harmony

**The Gathering**

Lenten Litany

One: What shall we do with you, Jesus? Glad songs sung at your birth will turn to jeers, taunts, and worse, hurled at you from every side. What shall we do with you, Jesus?

All: **We will promise to stay, but run away; we will sleep through the anguish of your heart. What shall we do with you, Jesus?**

One: The One who gave living waters to an outsider at a well, the One baptized in the Jordan will thirst upon a tree. What shall we do with you, Jesus?

All: **Before this week runs its course, the disciples, including even us, will fail you in force.**

*All hymns and responses will be played through once before singing starts*

Procession with Palms during opening Hymn

\*Opening Hymn

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Hymn #197

\*Call to Worship

One: “Hosanna!” they shouted. “Save us!”

All: **“Hosanna!” we’re shouting. “Save us!”**

One: Savior, ride into our hearts again,

All: **Wash us with excitement and hope, give us a reason to praise and to shout again, “Hosanna! Hosanna!”**

Scripture

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Pew Bible, pg. 565

*Question to ponder:*

As you enter this Holy Week, what is keeping you from entering the gate of the Lord?

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

**Holy Christ, we confess that amidst all the Palm Sunday crowds, we find ourselves in more turmoil than triumph. Our faith is unsteady. Our wisdom is eroding. Our resolve is shaken. Our mercy is hardening. Our hope is weakening. Come again and save us from these sin. Give us strength to follow you, our humble Savior, our wise fool, our all in all. Amen.**

\*Assurance of God’s Love

\*Responsorial Hymn

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

Hymn #803, v. 1

**“My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name. In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream. He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways, and leads me, for his mercy’s sake in paths of truth and grace.”**

\*Greeting in Christ’s Name

Brothers and sisters in Christ, we are one forgiven family. Let us continue to worship God in thanksgiving as we greet those who join us in prayer and praise.

**As we have been welcomed by God, we now seek to welcome those among us.**

**May the peace of Christ be with you all.**

*(Friends, while still maintaining the safety of the peace sign, let us take a holy moment of active greeting. Move to the 3 pews around you, sharing God’s peace with God’s people before returning to your seats.)*

### **The Word**

Time with the children  
Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Matthew 21:1-11

Pew Bible, pg. 23

Sermon

“Random Acts of Lent: Worship”

Rev. Dr. Holly Robertson

### **Response to Grace**

\*Hymn

“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”

Hymn #203

Affirmation of Faith from Philippians 2:5-11:

**Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

\*Call for the Offering  
Offertory

\*Doxology

Hymn #582

**“Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.”**

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People 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. Lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### *The Sending*

\*Closing Hymn

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Hymn #196

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

Hymn #753, v. 1

**“Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, and where there’s doubt, true faith in you.**

Postlude

**(Please remain seated and reflect upon the service)**

### **WORSHIP NOTES**

Liturgist: Paul Winkler

Acolyte: Vank Russman Family

\*All are invited to stand in body or spirit

# All Hymns from Glory to God hymnal, unless noted otherwise

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### How Can I “Be the Church?”

If you are interested in, or want to know more about the mission projects of FPC, we have a place for you!

The Mission/Outreach Team currently meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7pm and are always looking for new input. We manage and vote on the mission budget and funds to our mission partners, coordinate events (Hunger Walk, Crayons to Computers, Giving Tree, HONK, food drives, Pride booth). See or text Barb Deering at 859-630-0909 if you want to know more.