

Eagle River Presbyterian Church

Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

*PRELUDE "Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord"

WELCOME

Hymn #88 "All Glory, Laud and Honor"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We raise our voices and wave with joyful hope the palms of deliverance of God's people.

People: Hosanna! Hosanna to the Son of David!

Leader: Our hearts are filled with expectation as we welcome the coming king.

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

Leader: We receive into the crowded streets of our lives the one who is Savior, not only of us, but of all the earth.

People: Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!

*WORDS OF BLESSING FOR EACH OTHER

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Our hearts, minds and souls have not been stirred by the things that stir you in all the ways you most want. [. . . silent prayers for personal confession . . .] Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SONG

"Alleluia"

Sanctuary Choir

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON "Jesus Changes Everything For the Expectant"

Scripture: John 12:12-19

RESPONDING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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OFFERING

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MUSIC "Bless the Beasts and the Children"

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Instrumental

Megan McGee-Bonta

Some of our worship elements today are adapted from Life in Liturgy, from the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), <https://lifeinliturgy.wordpress.com>; Weekly Worship of the Christian Aid website, <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/churches/weekly-worship>; PCUSA worship resources for Palm Sunday; Rev Abi on her Long and Winding Road blog. <http://vicarofwadley.blogspot.ca>.

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Holy Week



Palm Sunday Service

April 2 at 9:30 a.m.

Communion Sunday

Brunch Potluck

Maundy Thursday Service

April 6 at 7 p.m.

Music by Kathy Morrow &

Special Guest:

Dr. Lauren Bonati

Good Friday Service

April 7 at 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday Service

April 9 at 9:30 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt