



Then They Remembered by Lisle Gwynn Garrity

WORSHIP SERVICE
MARCH 24, 2024
PALM SUNDAY
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ORDER OF WORSHIP - 10:30 A.M.

Gathering

(* Please stand as you are able.)

Gathering Chime

Prelude Processional in G Major Stanley

Welcome and Announcements

*Introit Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (v. 1) No. 475

Chancel Choir

Come Thou fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.

*Call to Worship

Sing songs of loudest praise!

Hosanna!

Sing songs that are unashamed.

Hosanna!

Sing songs without being afraid.

Hosanna!

Sing for the God of tomorrow and today.

Hosanna!

Let us worship the One worthy to be praised!

*Processional Hymn All Glory Laud and Honor No. 196

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we want to run into the streets and sing your praise! We want to be bold and unashamed of this good-news Gospel. However, too often we find ourselves standing against the wall. Too often we stay quiet.

Too often we let others carry the song.

Forgive us for the moments when we could lead the parade but instead find ourselves standing on the sidelines. Show us which songs are ours to sing. Show us which parades are ours to lead, and then give us the courage and conviction to do both. With hope and honesty we pray, amen.

Silent Confession



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Assurance of Pardon



Word

Prayer for Illumination

Lynn Voss

Scripture Reading John 12:12-16

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Message Wandering Heart: Songs of Loudest Praise Paul Lang

***Hymn** Hosanna, Loud Hosanna No. 197

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Time With Our Children

Jennifer Pierce

Responding

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

Hosanna to the Son of David Chancel Choir

Pote

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Crowds of children join in singing, hear the loud hosannas ringing, To the King of Glory bringing songs of praise. He is here, the true Messiah; Israel, rejoice.

Mighty ruler, our defender, coming not in royal splendor, Humble King to you we render songs of praise! He is here, the true Messiah; Israel, rejoice. Hosanna in the highest!

*Lenten Doxology



Prayer of Dedication

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

Lord in your goodness: Hear our praise; Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Sending

*Hymn A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd (vv. 1-4) No. 200

*Blessing and Charge

*Response A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd (v. 5) No. 200 (See previous hymn)

*Postlude Fugue in E Minor Bach

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

You are invited to share Christ's peace with those around you.

Today's Worship Service Participants

Ministers: Rev. Dr. Paul Lang, Rev. Paul Burgess
Music Director: Ed Yasick
Choir: Chancel Choir
Trumpet: Justin Dickson
Acolyte: Charlie Huff
Lay Reader: Lynn Voss
Children's Time: Jen Pierce
Ushers: Scott Walker, Leah Burton,
Su Johnson, Boyce Oglesby

Tech: Ian Dunbar, John Campbell
Slides: Beth Cleveland



Then They Remembered

by Lisle Gwynn Garrity Inspired by John 12:12-16 Acrylic painting on canvas with digital drawing

In the Matthew, Mark, and Luke versions of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, two unnamed disciples follow Jesus' orders to retrieve a colt. In these accounts, the disciples actively participate in the parade, laying down their cloaks and singing praise. In contrast, John's version of this story provides minimal details and the disciples are hardly mentioned at all. However, the text does a unique thing: it breaks the fourth wall to tell us something important:

"His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered" (John 12:16).

Is Peter at the parade? Does he lay down his cloak and follow the others? Does he sing songs of loudest praise? Or is he lost in the cacophony of the crowds, confused by and afraid of what is taking place? Maybe he is thinking about the blur of events in the days just before: Lazarus raised from the dead, Jesus anointed in Bethany, the crowds knocking down their doors, the plot to kill Jesus and Lazarus swelling like a darkened, fast-approaching sky.

They didn't understand at first, but then they remembered.

This image attempts to visualize these two locations in time and space. On the left, Peter looks out from the palm procession—his eyes glazed over as he watches Jesus riding into the city where he will surely meet his death. As the crowds sing "hosanna!" for a new, soon-to-be-killed-king, the dissonance of the scene causes Peter to tremble—like a guitar string snapped suddenly mid-tune.

In the top right is Peter's mirror image. In this mirage, we glimpse the future. Peter stands aghast at the empty tomb, waves of hope and relief rushing through him like a river of grace, the remembering happening all at once—like a childhood song plucked from memory, like the refrain of a chorus that won't let you go: it's true, it's true, thank God it's true.

-Rev. Lisle Gwynn Garrity

THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday,	9:15 a.m.	Faith Formation: Pre-K -Grade 5 (C. Ed. Wing)
March 24	9:30 a.m.	Parlor Class (Parlor)
Palm Sunday	9:15 a.m.	Pastor's Class (Fellowship Hall Annex)
	10:30 a.m.	Worship In-Person (Sanctuary) and Online
	4:00 p.m.	Next Chapter Group (100)
		No Youth Choir or Christian Adventurer Activity
Monday,	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting (Parlor)
March 25	5:30 p.m.	Wake Co. Law Enforcement Banquet (FH)
	6:15 p.m.	Girl Scout Troop 362 & 355 (Youth Area)
	6:30 p.m.	Scout BSA Troop 232G (100)
	6:30 p.m.	Buildings & Ground Team (102)
Tuesday,	7:00 p.m.	Scout Troop 232B (Youth Area)
March 26	7:30 p.m.	Adult Virtual Class (Zoom)
Wednesday,	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
March 27		
Thursday,	2:00 p.m.	Miriam Circle (Parlor)
March 28	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service (Sanctuary)
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Thursday		
Friday,	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Service (Sanctuary)
March 29	7:00 p.m.	Al-Anon / Courage, Strength, & Hope (100)
Good Friday		
Saturday,		
March 30		
Sunday,	7:00 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service (Outdoor Chapel)
March 31	8:00 a.m.	Music & Worship Team Breakfast (FH/Kitchen)
Easter Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Easter Worship Service (Sanctuary)
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