The Service for the Lord's Day Palm/Passion Sunday

11:00 a.m. March 24, 2024

Prelude

Filled with Excitement

Welcome & Prayer

*Call to Worship

The end of our journey is near.

All: We see the towers of Jerusalem; we hear the shouts of the crowd

We still have a distance to travel.

All: But the parade has begun. Let's rejoice and shout "Hosanna!"

Keep your eyes fixed on the road.

All: We march into Jerusalem with joy!

*Hymn 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

CORONATION

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

We confess that we have sinned, and although we would like to deny it, we have forsaken you. We are horrified by the suffering we cause—to you, ourselves, and the world you have created. Open the gates of your forgiveness and restore us in your love, for the sake of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

The Lord God helps us; we will not be disgraced. The Lord God helps us; who can declare us guilty?

Leader: Hear and believe the good news that comes from God.

ALL: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*Hymn 434 Restore in Us, O God BAYLOR

Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Children's Choir 196 All Glory Laud and Honor VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Mark 11:1-11

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Hosanna" The Rev. Chris McAuliffe

*Hymn 198 Ride On! Ride On in Majesty! ST. DROSTANE

*Affirmation of Faith Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen

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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Community Life and Offering

*Hymn 197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna ELLACOMBE

Benediction

Benediction Response 215 What Wondrous Love WONDROUS LOVE

Postlude



We celebrate the following birthdays:

3/18 - Maximus Devinney

3/24 - Dick Gimer, Avery Pettway

3/26 - Carolyn Ewels, Maria Jordan, Susan Pereles

3/27 - Erin Velez; 3/29 - Audrey Ling, Michael Strawther

3/30 - Chase Pantezzi, Chris Smith, Kevin Young

If we are missing your birthday, please contact Jeanne Grillo at admin@potomacpresbyterian.org.

We continue to keep in our prayers: Members of the Armed Forces and their families; Jill Asman, friend of Marcia Boogaard; John Clouse; Chip Crater; Margaret Fahs; Naomi & Bob Gerwin and Ronnie sister and brother-in-laws of Marcia Boogaard; Dave Gorman, son of Nancy Tietjen & brother of Beth Rudnic; Doug Henderson; Camille Kendall; Chris Kent; Frank Kerr, brother of Stewart Kerr; Bill Malone; Sally O'Neal; Nettie Propps; Walter Propps; Ann Rooney, mother of Julie McMahon; Gerald, friend of Ed Rudnic; David Sheron, son-in-law of Bob Stow; Paddy Simpson; Jane Stanton; Felicity Tembunde, mother of Vera Tembunde; Nancy Tietjen; Danny, friend of Goff/Sohl family; Lynda, friend of Ann Eagleson.

Prayers for all in the path of war across the globe. We pray for peace.

If you would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact Pastor Emily at emily.dandrea@potomacpresbyterian.org or call the church office at 301-299-6007.

Names will remain on the prayer list for six weeks, unless otherwise requested.



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We are an active Christian community devoted to worship that stirs the soul, education that engages the mind, and service that sends us into the world.

This Week at Potomac Presbyterian Church

TUESDAY 3/26 11:00am Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY 3/27 2:00pm Handbell Choir

7:00pm Shadow of the Cross Choir Practice

THURSDAY 3/28 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Simple Supper/Worship

FRIDAY 3/29 Good Friday

4:00pm Shadow of the Cross - Instrument Rehearsal

5:00pm Shadow of the Cross - Dress Rehearsal (Choir and Instruments)

7:00pm Shadow of the Cross Tenebrae Service

MONDAY 4/2 Easter Monday, Office Closed

The church office is open from 9:00am to 4:00pm, Monday through Thursday.

The office is closed on Fridays and Saturdays.

Jeanne Grillo will be out of the office the week of April 2 - April 5.

The staff and officers of Potomac Presbyterian Church welcome you to worship today:

The Rev. Emily Berman D'Andrea Pastor, Head of Staff emily.dandrea@potomacpresbyterian.org The Rev. Chris McAuliffe chris.mcauliffe@potomacpresbyterian.org Associate Pastor Sam Gray Director of Music and Organist sam.gray@potomacpresbyterian.org melissa.cutler@potomacpresbyterian.org Melissa Cutler Financial Manager Jeanne Grillo Office Administrator jeanne.grillo@potomacpresbyterian.org james.chhetree@potomacpresbyterian.org James Chhetree Technology Specialist

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The Session

Moderator, Rev. Emily Berman D'Andrea Chidi Obasi, Clerk of Session

Class of 2024Class of 2025Class of 2026Jon Davies, Worship*Jackie Cronin, Christian EdDavid Boyd, PropertyBob Karch, EndowmentChris Cyrway, Property*Kitty Cowie, Personnel*Louise Plumb, Personnel/Memorial GardenTom Hougen, MissionChidi Obasi, WorshipTracy Talbot, Mission*Beatrice Laryea, WorshipLloyd Smith, Finance *

The Deacons

Moderator, Janet Dunlop Congregation Care Chair, Beth Sherfy

Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026

Ann Eagleson, Fellowship Joe Curry, Fellowship Marcia Boogaard, Congregational Care
Allan Kamara, Congregational Care Melissa Grigorian, Congregational Care Alison Cassidy, Congregational Care
Brad McAuliffe, Fellowship Suzi Henderson, Fellowship Janet Dunlop, Fellowship
Sharon Shively, Fellowship* Robert Whittlesey, Fellowship Alex Shalaby, Congregational Care

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