

# THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

March 28, 2010

11:00am

### PALM SUNDAY

THE PRELUDE

Joanna Bailey

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR OUTREACH

+CALL TO WORSHIP

*L- Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!*

**P-Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!**

**ALL- Hosanna in the highest heaven!**

+ HYMN OF PRAISE 89 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*The prayer of the community that asks for forgiveness for our sins.*

We welcome him, Lord God; Jesus of Nazareth

He whom we often refer to as: The Christ.

If we need him we welcome him.

If it's convenient, we welcome him.

If it's not *too* embarrassing, we welcome him.

If it feels good, we welcome him.

If there is no cross, we are *really* glad to see him.

If there is a cross: forgive us, Lord!

We wave our palms and shout hosannas.

We welcome this Jesus, Lord God,

He's awfully nice to have around-- sometimes.

Hear this confession O God, and forgive us.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

*We confess our sins as those created in the image of God.*

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

L- *We watch from behind the walls built block by block, sin by sin. Who is this who approaches, triumphant and victorious, humble and riding on a donkey? What is this laughing palm waving crowd, so happily striding toward us from outside the walls? Why would they; why would he want to come through this gate?*

P- It must be Jesus. It could only be Jesus coming to be with us. Coming to live out his role as Immanuel: God with us!

L- *It must be Jesus coming to break down the walls of division and hurt and sin and separation. It is He, mighty to save. It is He who no walls can repel. It is Jesus Christ who proclaims to us, "Your sins are forgiven!"*

P- AMEN! Thanks be to you, O Christ.

THE ANTHEM      Hosanna!

Courtney

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*As Christ's redeemed and forgiven community, please stand, if able, and move about the sanctuary offering and receiving the peace of Jesus Christ.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*A prayer for pastor and people that Holy Spirit will be present in hearing God's Word.*

Wonderful God, again we approach and again we ask: for clarity, insight, and the joy of mystery. Amen

THE LESSON FROM THE GOSPEL    Luke 19:28-40

*God's Word read aloud.*

THE SERMON    "Can't Anybody Shut Them Up?"

Rev. Don Smith

+HYMN    90 Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

THE CREED

In Jesus of Nazareth true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful people. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death.

In giving himself freely for them he took upon himself the judgment under which all stand convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah

