



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Be still and know that I am God.
Be still and know that I am.
Be still and know.
Be still.

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer

THE ACT OF WORSHIP

Palm/Passion Sunday

April 5, 2020

Ten-thirty o'clock

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

The worship of God begins this morning as you enter the Sanctuary. You are encouraged to use these moments for meditation, reflection and prayer. Following the service, greet our visitors and share your fellowship with those around you.

The Meditation of Preparation

Inhale, exhale, repeat; until you find yourself centered.

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer

The Prelude

“Hosanna Loud Hosanna”

Pethel

*The Processional Hymn No. 203 “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

ELLACOMBE

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang;
to Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed ‘mid an exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud;
the Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King;
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

*The Litany of Praise

Joe Rankin

Leader: The Lord be with you;

People: And also with you.

Leader: Almighty and everlasting God, look mercifully upon us.

People: Loving God, be with us.

Leader: And in all our dangers, help and defend us,

All: Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*The Gloria Patri No. 807: “Glory Be to the Father”

MEINEKE

*The Prayer of Invocation

Joe Rankin

The Greeting

Lesley Ratcliff

The Lessons

Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29

Philippians 2:5-11

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

I’m still discovering, right up to this moment, that it is only by living completely in this world that one learns to have faith. I mean living unreservedly in life’s duties, problems, successes and failures, experiences and perplexities. In so doing, we throw ourselves completely into the arms of God.

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Major Treadway

The Meditation

“Were You There”

Wells

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel

Matthew 21:1-11

Charles Poole

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem

“The Palms”

Fauré

Shirley Foster, *soprano*

The Sermon

“This Week”

Charles Poole

TIME OF RESPONSE

And Christ departed from our sight that we might return to our heart, and there find Him. For Christ departed, and behold, Christ is here.

-Saint Augustine

*The Recessional Hymn No. 213 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

HAMBURG

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the
Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count
but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it Lord, that I should boast, save in the
death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and
love flow mingled down. Did e’er such love and
sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a
present far too small; love so amazing,
so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

*The Benediction

Charles Poole

*The Postlude

“Fugue on the Kyrie”

Couperin

***The congregation will please stand.**

The Lectionary passages for April 5 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Isaiah 50:4-9 ~ page 594

Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29 ~ pages 492-493

Philippians 2:5-11 ~ page 954

Matthew 21:1-11 ~ page 802