

## Early Service

**Teaching | Responding | Communing**

### The Form of a Servant | Philippians 2:1-8

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, 2 complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. 3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. 4 Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. 5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

#### Personal Reflection Question

What part of the Christ Hymn do you find most beautiful? What part do you find most challenging?

#### Notes

## Family Business

### Events

#### Sunday 4/2 Palm Sunday

- Beginning Sunday 4/2 through 4/9, during church services as well as during business hours of the church, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, you are invited to take a contemplative walk through the Garden of Gethsemane in the Encounters with Jesus Prayer Room. View the three prayers prayed by Jesus in the garden and enjoy a small memento to remember His sacrifice. The Encounters with Jesus Prayer Room is located in Room 021.

- 6:00 pm / Lenten Prayer and Worship

#### Tuesday 4/4

- 8:30 am / Binnie Clements Guild Cinnamon Baking Day / Kitchen, Fellowship Hall

- 10:00 am / Bi-monthly Staff Meeting / Conference Room 014

- 6:30 pm / Deacons Committee Meeting / Conference Room 014

- 6:30 pm / Men's Tuesday Night Study Group / Room 015

#### Wednesday 4/5

- 10:00 am / Morning Mops / Room 115

- 3:30 pm / Welcoming and Hospitality Committee Meeting / Conference Room 014

- 6:00 pm / Adult Pickleball / Gym

- 6:20 pm / Bell Choir Practice / Choir Room

- 7:15 pm / Chancel Choir Practice / Choir Room

#### Thursday 4/6 Maundy Thursday

- 11:00 am / Prayer Team Meeting / Prayer Room

- 2:00 pm / International Fellowship Chop Day / Kitchen

- 6:00 pm / Maundy Thursday Service/ Sanctuary

#### Friday 4/7 Good Friday

- 12:00 pm / Good Friday Service / Sanctuary

#### Saturday 4/8

- 10:00 am / Prep for Easter Breakfast / Kitchen, Fellowship Hall, North Atrium

#### Sunday 4/9 Easter Sunday

- 9:00 am / Contemporary Easter Service / Sanctuary

- 10:00 am / Easter Breakfast / Fellowship Hall & North Atrium

- 11:00 am / Traditional Easter Service / Sanctuary

### Alpha Marriage

For 6 weeks starting April 19th we are hosting its first ever Alpha Marriage Course! Thousands of couples around the world have grown their marriage through this course. Every Wednesday night from 5:30-7:00 couples will enjoy a romantic dinner by candlelight and unhurried time catching up with each other. Don and Wendy Everts will then introduce foundational marriage principles that couples will then engage with through guided exercises at their own table. It's like a date night with purpose. Whether your marriage is strong or struggling, the Alpha Marriage Course is a great way to invest in the most important relationship in your life. While the course is based in biblical truths, the content is presented in such a way that both Christian and non-Christian couples can engage with all of the material. Please invite friends who might benefit from this and perhaps God is inviting you and your spouse as well. This course is free. Childcare is also available. Please register online by April 16th.

If you are interested in learning more about First & Calvary Presbyterian Church, including how to become a Covenant Partner, contact Head Pastor Don Everts by calling the church office at 417-862-5068.

# FIRST & CALVARY

a house of prayer for every generation

# Palm Sunday

## APRIL 2, 2023

# Liturgical Service

## Prelude | Bell Choir; Jim Davidson, conductor

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

arr. Margaret R. Tucker

### \*Call to Worship | Wendy Everts

As we are called into worship today,  
it is sobering to remember  
that when God appeared on earth in the person of Jesus,  
most of the world did not recognize him  
and therefore did not worship him.  
Today we ask for faith that will open our eyes  
to see Jesus for who he is,  
that we might worship him in truth.  
People of God, behold and see your God!

**All: We open our eyes to see his glory.  
We open our ears to hear his wisdom.  
We open our hands to offer him gifts.  
We open our mouths to sing his praise.  
We open our hearts to offer him our love.  
He is Lord!**

### \*Hymn 203 and Processional

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

Words: Jeanette Threlfall, 1873, alt.

Music: Gesangbuch der H. W. K. Hofkapelle, 1784

## Confession of Sin

Gracious God, having heard your Word,  
we thankfully remember the life  
of our Lord Jesus Christ on this earth.  
Yet we also acknowledge our failure  
to respond earnestly and faithfully to his witness.  
We often mistake Jesus for a mere earthly king,  
friendly companion, or problem-solver,  
failing to see him as the ruler of all creation.  
We do not appreciate the depth  
of his passion and sacrifice on the cross,  
failing to acknowledge him as our way of salvation.  
Even in this Lenten season, we have not walked faithfully  
in the way of Jesus Christ.  
Forgive us, we pray, and bring us ever more fully  
into the joy of union with Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Please take a moment for silent confession.

## Hymn 817

*Hear Our Prayer*

Words: Based on Psalm 143:1; Music: George Whelpton

## Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Hosanna to the Son of David!  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!  
**For Christ came into the world not to condemn the world,**

**but that the world through him should be saved.**  
Therefore, be imitators of God, as beloved children.  
**And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us,**  
**a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.**  
**Hosanna! Amen!**

## Hymn 805

*Glory Be to the Father*

Words: Gloria Patri; Music: Henry Greatorex

## Invitation to Offering

*Feel free to use the offering plates or contact the church for online or direct deposit giving.*  
*Guests, please do not feel obligated.*

## Offertory

### Children’s Choir and Bell Choir; Hannah Martin, conductor

*Hosanna! Hosanna!*

Words: Melinda Ramseth Hoiland

Music: Melinda Ramseth Hoiland, arr. Vicki Hancock Wright

Hosanna! Hosanna! Let all the people sing.  
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna to our King!

Open wide the gates of Jerusalem.  
Open wide the gates of Jerusalem.

Hosanna! Hosanna! Let all the people sing.  
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna to our King!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna! Hosanna! Let all the people sing.  
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### \*Hymn 809

*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Words: Thomas Ken; Music: Genevan Psalter

### \*Offering Prayer

## Scripture | Philippians 2:1-8

*See Early Service Panel for text*

**Emerson and Brennan Phillips**

## Sermon | Rev. Don Everts

*The Form of a Servant*

### \*Communion Hymn 706

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith, 1985

Music: Jessie S. Irvine, 1871; arr. David Grant, 1872

## Invitation to the Table

## Words of Institution and Communion

## Pastoral Prayer 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.**

### \*Hymn 204

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor v 1, 2, 3, 4*

Words: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 820; tr. John M. Neale, 1854

Music: Melchior Teschner, c. 1613; harm. William H. Monk, 1861

### \*Benediction & Benediction Response

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor v 5 with Bell Choir*

arr. Margaret R. Tucker

## Postlude