Doylestown Presbyterian Church Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024 – 8:30 am Rev. Dr. Tom Kort, preaching; Rev. Becca Bateman and Rev. Pauline Sexton, assisting

All Are Welcome in God's House

The Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

(Persons nearest the center aisle are asked to sign and pass the Act of Friendship pad toward the outside aisle. Please keep the cover open as the pad is returned.)

Prelude

Hosanna Molly B. & Lucy B., Duet **Christian Gregor**

Call to Worship Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Come, let us worship the Lord.

*Hymn 196

All Glory Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, who on this day entered the rebellious city that later rejected you, we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's, that our faith is often more show than substance, and that our hearts are in need of cleansing.
Have mercy on us, Son of David, Savior of our lives.
Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and are, trusting you to forgive what is sinful, to heal what is broken, to welcome our praise, and to receive us as your own.
Hear us, as we silently confess our sin...

(Time for Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness Hear the Good News of the Gospel! **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

Congregational Response (Remain seated)



* Those who are able, please stand **Bolded** text invites the congregation to respond The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

(Ushers will collect prayer request cards during the anthem.)

Anthem

Hosanna

Hillsong

Molly B. & Lucy B., Duet

Second Scripture Lesson: Mark 11:7-10; 14:26-31

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

"Anyone Remember Holy Week?"

Sermon

*Affirmation of Faith

from "A Brief Statement of Faith"

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the church, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

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 198	Ride On! Ride On in Majesty	ST. DROSTANE

*Benediction

Postlude

The Palms Evan S., Trumpet Jean-Baptiste Faure

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Music Note: Much of the music selected for the season of Lent is inspired by the book of Psalms. We hope these beautiful texts add meaning to this season of reflection and repentance.

The **flowers** are given today in loving memory of Bill and Larry Melsky and Lorraine Melsky Broomall by Sue and Tom Haldeman.

In the spirit of worship, we remind you:

- To please silence your cellphones.
- If you need to enter or exit the sanctuary during the worship service, please do so by way of the rear of the sanctuary and side aisles.



Maundy Thursday, March 28: We gather in the sanctuary at 7:00 pm to experience the sharing of the Lord's Supper. Special Music: Fauré, *Requiem* featuring the Chancel and Ecumenical Choirs

and Mina Choi, Organ. Prayer Labyrinth open in the Celtic Cross Room before and after worship. This service will be available via Livestream.

Good Friday, March 29: The sanctuary will be open for prayer from noon until 3 pm and a Labyrinth will be set up in the Celtic Cross Room to allow for personal reflection during that time.

Easter Sunday, March 31: We rejoice in the glory of Jesus' Resurrection during identical worship services at 8:30 and 10:30 am. Gathering music begins 15 minutes before each service. Nursery care, Children's Worship Time, and the Livestream will be available during the 10:30 am service.

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 47, 52