



Palm Sunday

April 2, 2023

Followers of the Way, of Truth, and of Life *Part VI: "Who Is Jesus?"*

The congregation of Washington Street UMC praises and serves God from the heart of the city in ways that reach our neighbors near and far. We welcome and affirm all who seek the love and mercy of Christ regardless of race, creed, age, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic status. We honor traditions as rooted in our history, our expression of worship, and our respect for theological curiosity. We nonetheless see vital change and ongoing renewal as essential for spiritual growth.

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WASHINGTON STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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*(As our worship begins, please silence any electronic devices.
Portable hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.)*

PRELUDE

Louis Shirer

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CHORAL INTROIT

Hosanna filio David

Tomas Luis de Victoria
ed. Richard Proulx

The children will be entering and waving palm branches

*HYMN #280

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

ST. THEODULPH

Words: Theodulph of Orleans, 8-9th cent.; trans. by John Mason Neale, 1851

(Mt. 21:8-9; Mk. 11:8-10; Lk. 19:36-38; Jn. 12:12-13)

Music: Melchior Teschner, 1615; harm. by W. H. Monk, 1861

*FIRST GOSPEL LESSON

John 12:1-5

ANTHEM

Ride On, King Jesus!

arr. H. T. Burleigh

Soloist: Pato Arevena

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Dane Waund

(After Children's Moments, children 5 and under may go with the class leader to the 2-3's classroom located on the first floor past the elevator on the left. They may be picked up there, or they will be escorted back to the sanctuary prior to the benediction.)

OFFERTORY

Hosanna, Hosanna!

Joseph M. Martin

(Giving is easy! Place your gift in the offering plate; text the word "CONNECTIONS" to the number 73256; donate through Realm Connect; visit us online at wsmethodist.org/giving; mail a check to WSUMC, 1401 Washington St., Columbia, SC 29201; or scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin.)

*DOXOLOGY #94

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapt. by Gilbert H. Vieira, 1978

Music: Geistliche Kirchengesänge, 1623; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

HYMN #75

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

OLD 100th

Words: Attr. to William Kethe, 1561 (Ps. 100)

Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, 1551

*SECOND GOSPEL LESSON

John 14:1-15

HOMILY

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THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

One: God of endless love, you sent Jesus to show us the way to new life, but we continue to make the same old choices. Your love can anchor us when life overwhelms us, but we choose to cling to

the slippery rocks of anger and bitterness. Your love can strengthen us for every moment, but we listen to the foolish promises of the world.

All: Forgive us, patient God. May our words be shaped by your love, may our thoughts be refined by your grace; may our actions be inspired by your Spirit, so we may share your love with others.

Moments of silent confession

One: Friends, hear the good news: God is faithful. God's love is everlasting and in the name of Jesus Christ our sins have been forgiven. Glory to God.

All: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. ... And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

One: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ,... And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

*HYMN #278

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

Words: Jeanette Threlfall, 1873 (Mt. 21:8-9; Mk. 11:8-10; Jn. 12:12-13)

Music: Gesangbuch der H. W. k. Hofkapelle, 1784; adapt. and harm. by W. H. Monk, 1868

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

John Rutter

*POSTLUDE

**Congregation standing. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue your participation.
When our worship ends, our service begins!*

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PRAYER THOUGHT

There is not one hour or even one minute when we don't need God in our lives.

PRAYER LIST

Betsy Alexander
David Byrum
Jimmy Dawkins
Mickey Epting
Pat Griffin
Rev. Paul Harmon

Karen Horne
Lisa Johnson
Debby Joyner
Jean Kanes
Martha Helen King
Paul McClanahan

Sharon McCullough
David Middleton
Rozanna Pfeiffer
Shawn Powers
Genie & Ron Quinn
Rick Rowe

Jim Webber
Nancy Williams
Mary Anne Young
Our homebound

IN SYMPATHY

Rev. Becky Shirley joins the entire staff and Washington Street Church family in expressing our deepest sympathy and Christian love to Vickie & Lisa Voegeli in the death of Vickie's son, Justin Tyler Couch, on Sunday, March 26, 2023.

SERVING TODAY

Director of Music	Nicholas Todd Shumate
Organ	Louis Shirer
Piano	Rick Frierson
Acolyte	Alma Louise Aravena
Ushers	Tommy Betenbaugh, Alan-Jon Zupan
Children's Moments	Dane Waund
Sound/Video	Spencer Stevens/Jane Peterson
Visitor Cards	Suzanne Joye
Pew Maintenance	Jammie Watters
Children's Church	Cindy & Dane Waund
Nursery	Jane Polk
Online Narrator	Ed McClain

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

As of 3-30-23
Church Budget: TBD

Church Actual	\$170,327
Soup Cellar	\$16,968
Foundation	\$542

SCAN TO GIVE

Online Lent service views/reach (as of 3-30-23):
March 26: 184
March 15: 196
March 8: 224
March 1: 275
Feb. 22: 236



Attendance on 3/19/23: 138 (in-person); 106 (online as of 3-30-23); TOTAL = 244

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