**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

 *\* Indicates, please stand if able.*

Palm Sunday April 10, 2022. 9 am.

 Liturgist: Jim Hornby

WELCOME, PASSSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST, & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\***CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The journey has been long and sometimes very difficult.

**P: During this Lenten journey we have seen miracles and mysteries.**

L: Now the Lord comes to us in victory.

**P: Jesus rides into Jerusalem and into our hearts.**

L: Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord’s Name!

**P: Hosanna in the highest! AMEN.**

\*OPENING PRAYER- The Prayer of St. Brendan (484-577)

**Help me to journey beyond the familiar and into the unknown. Give me the faith to leave old ways and break fresh ground with You. Christ of the mysteries, I trust You to be stronger than each storm within me. I will trust You in the darkness and know that my times, even now, are in Your hand. Tune my spirit to the music of heaven, and somehow, make my obedience count for You.**

**\***OPENING HYMN ***“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*** #160

CHILDREN’S TIME Stephanie Bantell

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we confess that when we started this journey, it seemed like a fun idea. Walk the road with Jesus, we thought. But the journey has had many difficult times when our spirits have been challenged and tried. We have come to the time of entrance into the Holy City. We want everything to be wonderful; for you to conquer all those things that threaten us and our peace. We want you to do what we direct. Forgive us, Lord, when we place our fears and ignorance before your love. Help us to look again at the many ways in which we can be a blessing to others, through serving them and you. Release us from our panic and mistrust and help us to place our lives solely in your hands. AMEN.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Rejoice, the Lord has come into your presence. You are the beloved ones of God. Know that God walks with you through this parade and time of celebration and in all the times ahead. AMEN.

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Shon

THE LORD’S PRAYER *(In Unison)*

**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.**

BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO GOD WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS

The Spirit of Christ visits us in this place. Let us respond by giving the best of our treasures and talents for the work of God’s church in the world.

SPECIAL MUSIC ***“Thank you For the Blood”, Phil Wickham***  SPIRIT!

**\***DOXOLOGY *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* #95

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Shon

SCRIPTURE READING Colossian 3:1-14

HYMN OF PRAISE ***“Hosanna, Praise is Rising”***

MESSAGE **“Life Change by Changing Mind”** Rev. Shon

\*CLOSING HYMN ***“Holy Spirit”***

**\***BENEDICTION Rev. Shon

POSTLUDE Kathleen Peterson

**Today’s Verse: Colossians 3:2**

 *“Let heaven fill your thoughts. Do not think only about things down here on earth.”*

**SCRIPTURE:** **Colossians 3:1-14** (NIV)

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. 3For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. 4When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

5Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. 6Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. 7You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. 8But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. 9Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices 10and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. 11Here there is no Gentile or circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all. 12Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. 13Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. 14And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**The Membership Care Committee** is in the process of updating the membership list for our church. Until that process is completed, there will be no Prayer Families listed in the weekly bulletin. The anniversaries, birthdays, and prayer families will also not be listed in the newsletter until the update is complete.

**LENT DEVOTIONAL TIME:** Every Wednesd**ay** 6 pm. **“Vincent Van Gogh and the Beauty of Lent”**

**TRANFORMATION SMALL GROUP**: 10:30am each Sunday during Lent

**SCRIP CARDS:** When you are thinking of ideas for gift giving or personal use, consider Scrip cards**.**

Stop at the gathering area on Sundays or call Marcia at 715-284-3346 and see if we can help.

**SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE:** April 23, Sat. 9 am – 3 pm, at ELC.

 **MAUNDAY THURSDAY:** April 14, 6pm, Seder Supper and Washing feet. Please RSVP by Tuesday, 12.

 **GOOD FRIDAY:** Friday,April 15, 6pm

 **EASTER SERVICE:** April 17, 9am.

 **MBTI WORKSHOP:** Want to know about your personality type? April 29, Friday, 5-8pm

 Fee: $20 (including food). Contact office by April 18.

 **ADVANCED LAY SERVANT CLASS:** May 13 and 14. Friday 6pm-9pm/Saturday 9am-4pm.

Fee: $20 (including food). Anyone welcome.

 **THIS WEEK AT THE CHURCH: Tuesday:** Finance Committee 5:30pm

Trustees 6:00pm

 Admin Council 6:30pm

**Wednesday:** Prayer Meeting 10:00am

 Spirit! Rehearsal 5:00pm

Bells Rehearsal 6:30pm

Pre-Con 5:00pm

Lent Devotional Time 6:00pm

The Youth 6:00pm

Confirmation Class 7:00pm

 **Thursday:** Maunday Thursday Service 6:00pm

 **Friday**: Good Friday Service 6:00pm

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 “Shoes” by Vincent Van Gogh (1886)

**`Mission statement:**

"To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by proclaiming

the good news of God's grace and by exemplifying Jesus' command to love God and

neighbor, thus seeking the fulfillment of God's reign and realm in the world."

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