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THE WORSHIP OF GOD
SUNDAY OF THE PASSION (PALM SUNDAY)
APRIL 13, 2025
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
FBC SANCTUARY
11:00 A.M.

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Prayer is happening, and it is not necessarily something that I am doing. God is happening, and I am lucky enough to know that I am in The Midst.
— Barbara Brown Taylor

Gathering Music

"We Will Glorify" with "Our Great Savior"
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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Prelude

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* Call to Worship

Neal Purvis
Luke 19.35-40

Leader: They brought the colt of a donkey to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it.

People: As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road.

Leader: As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

People: "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

Leader: Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered them:

People: "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Hymn of Gathering (CONGR 175)

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"
ST. THEODULPH

* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you!

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

If able, please text or message someone from the congregation and share with them the sign of peace.

Responding in Peace (CONGR 172, vss 1-2)

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"
ELLACOMBE

Children's Sermon

Responding in Peace (CONGR 172, vs 3)

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"
ELLACOMBE

RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Moment for Mission

AMOS Emissaries

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

"Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley"

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* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

PROCLAMATION AND PRAYER

* Gospel Reading

Rev. Cristina Adams

Luke 19.41-44

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Cristina Adams

"A Lamenting Prayer"

(Those wishing to attend Children's Church may leave now.)

Call to Prayer (CONGR 185, vs 1-2)

"The Old Rugged Cross"

OLD RUGGED CROSS

Hearing Our Joys and Concerns

Unison Discipline of Confession

O God of love, who sent Jesus among us, hear our confession and forgive our sin. When we invoke Christ's name for selfish reasons, have mercy upon us. When our faith is convenient and does not lead to commitment, surround us with grace, that we may repent. We are prone to call on you to satisfy our needs; we practice obedience without cost to our comfort. Forgive our leisurely approach to your sacrifice for us as Christ intercedes on our behalf.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Hear Paul's words when he reminds us to "let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who...being found in human likeness...humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross." As we confess Jesus Christ as Savior, God is just and forgives our sin. Therein lies our assurance.

Morning Prayer and 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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer Response

"And Can it Be"

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** In-person worshippers are invited to stand as able*

* Gospel Reading

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant
Luke 23.32–38

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant
“A Forgiving Prayer”

* Hymn of Invitation, (CONGR 186)

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”
HAMBURG

Life of the Church

Benediction

Postlude

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

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TODAY IN WORSHIP

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew Sturtevant

Assoc. Pastor for Children, Youth, & Families: Rev. Cristina Adams

Liturgist: Neal Purvis • Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson

Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen

Livestream Video Crew: Steve Yoder, Susan Pauls • Sound: Brandon Gillette

YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Jenny Purvis

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: Rev City Church

*American Baptist Churches, USA: Executive Min. Rev. Dr. Mary Day Hamel,
serving the American Baptist churches in Massachusetts*

International Ministries Global Servant: Paul Rollet, serving in the Philippines

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Every member of First Baptist Church, like every disciple of Christ, is commissioned to participate in Christian ministry.
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