

Lent — a slow, steady, difficult climb to Palm Sunday, followed by the jubilation of the crowds, then plummeting to the depths of Good Friday, before finally returning home at Easter, elated and changed by the ride.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

PALM SUNDAY

Rev. John Lutz, Senior Pastor

Rev. Ron Stott, Guest Preacher

Holly Rogerson, Worship Assistant

March 28, 2010

8:00 & 9:30 a.m.

Prelude (9:30)	“Solemn Processional” Jericho Brass Choir	Strauss
*Opening Hymn	“All Glory, Laud and Honor”	280
Welcome & Life of the Church	<i>(Please sign the attendance pad and pass it down the aisle.)</i>	
Greeting One Another	<i>(Stand and greet the people around You and welcome them into our circle of faith today.)</i>	
Special Music (9:30)	“Were You There When I Surveyed the Wondrous Cross” Youth Bell Choir	Rogers

*The Call to Worship

Leader: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

People: Hosanna! Rejoice for the Lord is in our midst.

Leader: He comes with joy and hope.

People: He comes to set us free from fear.

Leader: Hosanna!

People: Hosanna! Glory to God in the Highest Heaven.

*The Opening Prayer [unison]

Holy and sovereign God, we praise You for Your Son, Jesus, who rode in triumph into the holy city of Jerusalem, hailed a King and Messiah by adoring crowds. May we, who continue to proclaim Christ as Messiah, Redeemer, Lord and King, be courageous and faithful to follow Him in the way of suffering and the cross, lest we be numbered among the fickle crowd who turned their backs on Your Son. Turn our hearts again this day to enter into Christ's Passion and death so we may also enter into His resurrection and glory. Amen.

Special Music (9:30)	“Enter He Triumphantly” The Wesleyan Choir	Pethel
The Scripture Lesson	Mark 11: 1-11	(Page 717 in the pew Bible)
The Message	“The Courage to Follow”	Rev. Stott
✠Prayers of the People		✠The Lord's Prayer
Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory Special Music (9:30)	“Lift Up Your Heads and Sing” The Genesis Choir	Wagner
*Offertory Response	“Doxology”	95
*Offertory Prayer [unison]	<i>Loving Lord, today we remember Jesus' triumphant ride from the Mount of Olives. Jesus obediently gave everything so that we could live a life worthy of Your calling. Grant us the courage and the determination to be Your obedient disciples. Instill within us the desire to proclaim, “Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.” Increase our generosity so that these monetary gifts may be transformed into inspired ministries. In the name of the Sacrificial Lamb, Your only son, we pray. Amen.</i>	
*Closing Hymn	“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”	278
*Affirmation of Faith	“The Apostles' Creed”	881
*Benediction		
Postlude		

**If able, please stand to worship God*

We welcome YOU to our worship service this morning. If You are visiting our church for the first time, we extend You a special greeting. (Please inform us of Your complete name and address on the Fellowship Pad or in the Guest Book.) We invite You to enter into our worship wholeheartedly. Sing out! Listen intently to God's Word! Be open to promptings of the Holy Spirit! And after the service, give us a chance to talk with You and invite You back! We look forward to Your worshipping with us again.

ABOUT THIS WORSHIP SERVICE ...

Altar Flowers today are Dedicated to the Glory of God In Loving Memory of Loved Ones, by the Forward Look Class; and also In Loving Memory of Granny Banks on Her Birthday, by George VI, Matthew, Christopher, Jillian, Joshua & Lauren.

The Pink Rose on the Altar is In Honor of the birth of *Dani Aurora Gilbert*, born Friday, March 19, 2010, to Aubrey & Brian Gilbert. Proud Grandparents are Pastor John and Angela Lutz.

Morning Greeters this morning at the 8:00 service are Jack & Marge Calledner; and at the 9:30 service, Lorlina & Cielito Agoncillo.

Ushers this morning are Bob Slotterback & George Jenca at the 8:00 service; and Karen Arner & Gary Bloom at the 9:30 service.

Acolyte this morning is Jillian Rowlands.

Prayer Chain No. 4 is in effect this week. Please call Elmer States, 215-355-0362, for prayer requests and praise for answered prayers.

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11:30 a.m.

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