



April 2, 2023—11:00 am
Fellowship Hall

Community Life

Welcome

Cherubs Choir

*Call to Worship

John 12:12-16

Leader: The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out,

All: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"

Leader: And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

All: "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

Leader: His disciples did not understand these things at first,

All: but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him.

*Prayer of Adoration

*Song of Worship

Mine are days that God has numbered, I was made to walk with Him.
Yet I look for worldly treasure, and forsake the King of kings.
*But mine is hope in my Redeemer though I fall His love is sure.
For Christ has paid for every failing, I am His forevermore.*

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood.
Through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good.
*But mine is peace that flows from heaven and the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wasted, Christ completes His work in me*

Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way,
One with Christ I will encounter, harm and hatred for His name.
*But mine is armour for this battle, strong enough to last the war,
And He has said He will deliver, safely to the golden shore.*

*And mine are keys to Zion city where beside the King I walk.
For there my heart has found its treasure, Christ is mine forevermore.*

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* Please stand if you are able.

Confession of Sin

Acts 3:19

Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out,
that times of refreshing may come from the Lord

Moment of Silent Confession

Proclamation of the Gospel

from Romans 3

Righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe,
for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
and all are justified freely by his grace
through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.
God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement,
through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith.

*Songs of Worship

K4-K5 may leave for Kids Church. One parent will need to escort the child to the Commons Area.

Flesh will fail and bones will break; thieves will steal, the earth will shake.
Night will fall, the light will fade; the Lord will give and take away:

*Because of his great love, we are not overcome!
Because of his great love, we are not overcome!*

Put no trust in the earth, in the sod you stand upon.
Flowers fade into dust; the Lord will make a place for us.

Have no fear for your life. Find your rest in God alone.
Bear the yoke of love and death; the Lord will give all life and breath.

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Communicant Vows

Emily Gohs, Erin Hyslop, Nathan League, Suzy League
Aleiya Poe, Tucker Timmons, Isaac Warren

Baptism

Tucker Alexander Timmons
assisted by Ruling Elder Jamie Lightcap

Prayers of the People

Scripture Reading

Matthew 26:36-46

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Exploring Prayer: Can Prayer Change God

Andy Lewis, Lead Teaching Pastor

Communion Prayer

Based on The Valley of Vision prayer, "The Lord's Supper"

Leader: God of all good, You have prepared for us a feast;
and because we are unworthy in ourselves to sit down as guests,
we wholly rest on the merits of Jesus and hide ourselves in His righteousness.

**All: In this supper we remember the agony of the cross and the cost of redemption.
We rejoice in Your eternal love, boundless grace, and infinite compassion.**

Leader: We proclaim Your death, O Lord,
and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

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

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

You may eat and drink the elements at any time.

Communion Songs

When the fields are dry, and the winter is long,
Blessed are the meek, the hungry, the poor.
When my soul is downcast, and my voice has no song,
For mercy, for comfort, I wait on the Lord.

*In the harvest feast or the fallow ground,
My certain hope is in Jesus found.
My lot, my cup, my portion sure,
Whatever comes, we shall endure.
Whatever comes, we shall endure.*

On a cross of wood, His blood was outpoured.
He Rose from the ground, like a bird to the sky.
Bringing peace to our violence, and crushing death's door,
Our Maker incarnate, our God who provides.

Come, oh come, Emmanuel.
Come, oh come, Emmanuel.

When the earth beneath me crumbles and quakes,
Not a sparrow falls, nor a hair from my head.
Without His hand to guide me, my shield and my strength,
In joy or in sorrow, in life or in death.

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Our mouths, they were filled, filled with laughter,
Our tongues, they were loosed, loosed with joy.
Restore us, O Lord! Restore us, O Lord!

*Although we are weeping, Lord help us keep sowing,
The seeds of your Kingdom for the day we will reap them!
Your sheaves we will carry: Lord, please do not tarry!
All those who sow weeping will come home with songs of joy!*

The nations will say, "He has done great things!"
The nations will sing songs of joy.
Restore us, O Lord! Restore us, O Lord!

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Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

*Parting Song

*Although we are weeping, Lord help us keep sowing,
The seeds of your Kingdom for the day we will reap them!
Your sheaves we will carry: Lord, please do not tarry!
All those who sow weeping will come home with songs of joy!*

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*Benediction

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at the exits of the Fellowship Hall as you leave.*

Holy Week is Here!

*Find out all of the details on our website at mitchellroad.org/holyweek.
No registration for Holy Week events!*

Palm Sunday (Today)

Celebrating Christ's triumphal entry with our annual children's palm processional

Maundy Thursday Communion Service (April 6) 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Remembering Christ's Last Supper followed by a free casual meal on the field (bring your chairs and blankets)

Good Friday Communion Service (April 7) 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary

Commemorating Christ's sacrifice with Scripture and musical reflections

Resurrection Sunday (April 9) 8:30, 9:45 and 11:00 am plus a 6:45 am sunrise service, weather permitting

Rejoicing in Christ's victory over death and the grave

Exploring Prayer 2023—This Week's Prayer Focus

Pray for the worship of the church, that we would see God glorified in the services. (Rev 5:1-5)