



# *Palm* SUNDAY

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!*

*Hosanna in the highest heaven!*

MATTHEW 21:9 (NIV)



**PROVIDENCE FORGE**  
**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Palm Sunday**  
**March 24, 2024**

*Thank you to our youth serving as worship leaders today:  
Ainsley Allen, Ifyssa Allen, Olivia Davis, Vivian Parker,  
Claire Richards, Paige Richards, Will Richards,  
Caitlyn Sheridan, Grady VanDyke*

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

**PRELUDE** Melody Raef  
**INTROIT** Children's Choir  
**WELCOME**  
**MOMENT FOR REFLECTION**  
**LENTEN READING** Nikelle Johnson

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.

**People: His love endures forever.**

Leader: I will not die but live,

**People: and will proclaim what the Lord has done.**

**All: Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.**

**\*SONG OF PRAISE** #88 *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

God we acknowledge that we are sinners and know that you still love us.  
Please hear our confession as we join together now.

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Oh Lord our shepherd, you saved us. Gentle savior, thank you for your guiding presence. We pray for the needs of our church community. We lay before you all those in need of healing. Please forgive us when our focus is on other things that distract us from you. We want our focus to be on the things that are pleasing to you.**

**\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

God is a God of forgiveness and love. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God. Amen.

**\*RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVING LOVE** #579 *Gloria Patri*

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you...**And also with you.**

**TIME FOR CHILDREN**

**5 CENTS A MEAL**

**PRESBYTERIAN MINUTE**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** *Psalm 118:19-29; Pew Bible p. 493*

**ANTHEM** Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** *John 12:12-16; Pew Bible p. 875*

**SERMON** "Joy for Today" Rev. Crystal Varner Parker

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE** #90 *Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!*

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH** *Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.21*

**The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind. His cross and resurrection become a personal crisis and present hope for all people when the gospel is proclaimed and believed. In this experience, the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to all, moves people to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)** *Hymnal p. 16*

**WE OFFER OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE** #592 *Doxology*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**\*SONG OF SENDING** #89 *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** Melody Raef

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## **CHURCH STAFF**

Pastor-elect	Rev. Crystal Varner Parker
Administrative Assistant	Kristel Lamp
Organist & Choir Director	Melody Raef
Sunshine Nursery School Director	Cathy Davis
Church Treasurer	Paul Robinson

## **THE SESSION 2024**

### **Clerk of Session**

Ruth Hopke 2024-2026

### **Administration**

Pete Adamson 2024-2026

Jamie Gray 2022-2024

Ayars Lore 2022-2024

Nathan Richards 2023-2025

### **Christian Life**

Paul Davis 2023-2025

Patricia Robinson 2024-2026

Mary-Catherine Sheridan 2024-2026

### **Community & Mission**

Davis Gammon 2024-2026

Jo White 2022-2024