



**Providence Forge Presbyterian Church**

to further God's kingdom on earth, one soul at a time

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# *A Journey through Holy Week*



## *Palm Sunday*

**Sunday, April 13, 2025**

If you are new to PFPC or new to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), welcome!  
We have worship guides located in the front and rear of the sanctuary.  
Please feel free to grab one and use it to understand the different parts of  
worship or to follow along with liturgy not printed in the bulletin.

We say the words printed in **bold** together. | \* Indicates we stand as we are able.

## Gathering to Worship

**PRELUDE** Melody Raef  
**WELCOME** Robert Billcheck  
**INTROIT** Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good.  
**People: God's steadfast love endures forever!**  
Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.  
**People: We bless you from the house of the LORD.**  
Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good.  
**People: God's steadfast love endures forever.**  
Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**People: Hosanna in the highest!**

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

## Confessing to God's Mercy

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *from Call to Worship*  
Triumphant God,  
we join the crowds of the ages in shouting your praises.  
While our lips give you glory, our lives seldom reflect your purposes.  
We sing easily of your greatness,  
but living faithfully is often beyond us.  
We hear of your salvation, yet sin is still close and real,  
daily leading us away from you.  
Have mercy on us.  
Ride into our hearts with healing grace.  
Forgive what we have done and direct who we shall be.  
Hosanna! Lord, save us!

### \*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

**\*RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVING LOVE** #579 Gloria Patri  
**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**  
Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.  
**People: And also with you.**

## Proclaiming God's Word

**CHILDREN'S ANTHEM** Simple Gifts  
**TIME FOR CHILDREN** Rev. Crystal Varner Parker  
**COLLECTION FOR 5 CENTS A MEAL**  
**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**  
**LENTEN READING** Chip Wilder and Perry Adcock  
Luke 19:28-38; Pew Bible p. 854  
Deep Blue Kids' Bible p. 1166  
**SECOND LESSON** Luke 19:39-47; Pew Bible p. 854-855  
Deep Blue Kids' Bible p. 1167  
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM** On the Road to Jerusalem  
**SERMON** Save Us! Rev. Crystal Varner Parker

## Responding to God's Love

**\*AFFIRMATION 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 personal crisis  
and present hope for women and men  
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.

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE** #426 Lord, Speak to Me,  
That I May Speak

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, they 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  
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

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

**OFFERTORY**

**\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

#592 Doxology◊

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*Departing to Serve*

**\*SONG OF SENDING**

#89 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

Melody Raef

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**THE SESSION 2025**

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Mission & Outreach Pillar:	Hayden VanDyke and Jo White