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Presbyterian Church

Invite all to Worship God
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Sunday, March 29, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Palm/Passion Sunday

Before worship, we all will gather in the fellowship hall to make the processional entry led by our children, youth, and their families. All are invited to participate.

Disciples Gather to Worship God

☪ Welcome (hopeaustin.org/connect)

Rev. Dr. Josh Robinson

Welcome to Hope Presbyterian Church where we:

Invite All to Worship God, Grow in Faith, and Follow Jesus by Serving Others!

☪ Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. John Leedy

"Hosanna!" They shouted. "Save us!"

"Hosanna!" We're shouting. "Save us!"

Savior, ride into our hearts again,

wash us with excitement and hope,

give us a reason to praise

and to shout again, "Hosanna!"

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!"

Siblings in the family of Christ, let us worship God!

☪ Hymn of Praise 196 (GTG)

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

**Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor, to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.**

1. Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One. *(Refrain)*
2. The people of the Hebrews with psalms before thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present. *(Refrain)*
3. To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. *(Refrain)*
4. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King. *(Refrain)*

☪ Response: Praise the Lord! The Lord's name be praised!

↑ Indicates when we are to rise, as we are able.

☪ Indicates when someone is praying.

📖 Indicates when Scripture is read.

🎵 Indicates when music is sung or heard.

☪ Indicates when someone is speaking.

Bold text is read or sung by the congregation.

A personal sound system for the hearing impaired is available.

Please ask an usher for a receiver.

GTG—*Glory to God* purple hymnal

STF—*Sing the Faith* blue hymnal

✠☪ Prayer of Confession

Dave Cook

Merciful God, the crowd that welcomes Jesus will soon demand his crucifixion, and we are part of that crowd. We celebrate when your way is easy and abandon you when it grows costly. We pledge allegiance but betray you with our silence, our comfort, and our complicity in systems that harm your beloved. Forgive our failure to carry the cross. Strengthen us for the week ahead. In your mercy, forgive us.

Silent Prayers of Confessions

In your mercy, forgive us. Amen.

⬆️🎵 Response 447 (GTG)

We Are Forgiven

Hal H. Hopson

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
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⬆️☪ Sharing the Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all! **And also with you.**

Disciples Listen to the Word of God

🎵 Anthem

Palm Sunday Hosanna

arr. Joel Raney

Joy & Jubilation Choirs; Adult Choir

Natalie Daigh, flute; Chuck & Stephanie Hazlewood, Carol Wada, bells

Hosanna, loud hosanna! The rocks cry out, the children sing.

Hosanna to the King of kings. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are they that come in the name of the Lord.

Raise your palms and banners high, Jesus Christ is passing by, hosanna!

Glory, laud, and honor sing praise to our Redeemer, King, hosanna!

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✠☪ Prayer for Illumination

Praise the Lord! **The Lord's name be praised!**

☪ Children's Sermon

Following the Children's Sermon, children ages 3 through Elementary are invited to Little Church in the Fellowship Building. This worship for children concludes at 11:15 on non-communion Sundays. On Communion Sunday, children will return to their families during worship.

**The Bible, the Bible is the Word of God,
The Bible, the Bible is the Word of God,
And the Word of God will help us grow, grow, grow,
The Word of God will help us grow.**

📖 Gospel Lesson

Matthew 21:1-11 (NRSV)

Bible p. 802

☪ Sermon

Tend the Flame: Walk Toward the Cross

Rev. Dr. Josh Robinson

Worship+2: GROW

Jesus enters Jerusalem knowing what awaits him, and he does not turn back. This week, identify one costly commitment you have been avoiding: a difficult conversation, a sacrificial gift, a stand for justice that will cost you relationships or status. Take one step toward that commitment this week, and pray for courage to keep walking even when the cost becomes clear.

Disciples Respond to the Call of God

✦ Affirmation of Faith

We believe that Jesus Christ, attested in Holy Scripture, is the one Word of God whom we are to hear, trust, and obey in life and in death. In Christ, God was reconciling the world and calling us to turn and be reconciled. We confess that we grasp for control, wound our neighbors, and resist love. Yet God's mercy does not relent. In Christ, judgment exposes our sin and grace restores our life. The Holy Spirit forms the church as a forgiven and forgiving people. Unity is gift and calling; whatever divides and dehumanizes must be resisted. God stands with the poor and the wronged, and so must we. In hope, we walk toward the cross, trusting that new life awaits beyond it.

*Adapted from The Theological Declaration of Barmen (8.11–8.12),
The Confession of 1967 (9.07, 9.12–9.14, 9.20–9.22), and The Confession of Belhar (10.3, 10.7).*

✦ Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer (GTG) Page 35

Hear our prayers O God in the name of Jesus Christ, who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit in eternal glory, and taught us to pray together saying:

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

♪ Response 2064 (STF)

O Lord, You're Beautiful

Keith Green

**Oh Lord, you're beautiful, your face is all I seek;
And when your eyes are on this child, your grace abounds to me.**

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✦ Call to Discipleship

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♪ Offertory Anthem

Wondrous Love
Adult Choir

Walker's Southern Harmony arr. Shaw-Parker

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.*

*When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.*

*To God and to the Lamb I will sing.
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.*

*And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And through eternity I'll sing on.*

♪ Doxology 607

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

✦ Prayer of Dedication

Disciples Depart to Serve God

↑🎵 Hymn 223 (GTG)

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

↑🕊️ Charge & Benediction

You have been given light to carry. Keep it tended through prayer, mercy, and service that meets real need. Walk without fear, for Christ walks with you. Go in courage and steady light. Go in peace.

↑🎵 Response

Lamb of God

Helen H. Lemmel

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God.

I love the holy Lamb of God.

O wash me in his precious blood.

My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

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🎵 Postlude

O Sacred Head Now Wounded

Johann Pachelbel

Dr. Kathy Winston, organ

Hosanna!

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

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