



Pittsburg Presbyterian Church

April 10, 2022 ~ 10:00 am

Palm Sunday

GATHERING

Prelude

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Tune: St. Theodulph by Melchior Teschner/Robert Hughes
Virginia Darling, organ

Lay Leader: Preset your folder at your seat.
Bring in the Light of Christ during the Prelude.

Welcome

Braden Benson

Good Morning, we are glad you are here with us today at Pittsburg Presbyterian Church. We are truly blessed to gather together for worship on Palm Sunday.

Mission Statement

Braden Benson

Our Mission at Pittsburg Presbyterian Church is to love God, know Christ, care for one another, and to joyfully share the good news of Jesus Christ!

Please remain seated and join together in singing our Missional Song.

Missional Song

Susan Laushman

Love God, care for one another;
Know Christ, care for one another;
Joyfully share the good news of Jesus Christ!
Joyfully share the good news of Jesus Christ!

Please stand for the Opening Sentences.

*Opening Sentences

Braden Benson

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: Let us rejoice and be glad.

People: Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: *Our opening hymn today is “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” ...Come, let us worship God.*

Wave palms while singing

***Opening Hymn**
Glory To God #197
Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Verse 1

Hosanna, loud hosanna,
the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple
the joyful anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them,
close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises,
the simplest and the best.

Verse 2

From Olivet they followed
'mid an exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving,
and chanting clear and loud;
the Lord of earth and heaven
rode on in lowly state,
nor scorned that little children
should on his bidding wait.

Verse 3

“Hosanna in the highest!”
That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer;
the Lord of heaven, our King.
O may we ever praise him
with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence
eternally rejoice.

Please be seated

Announcements

Braden Benson

- *Good morning and thank you for worshiping with us today!*
- *Please Check-in on Social Media to share the peace of Christ with your friends and loved ones online!*
- *(Explain & show the Yellow Cards.) Please fill out the front and write any information/prayer concerns, etc. on the back and place it in one of the white boxes at the back of the Sanctuary, as you leave.*

- “Kids Following Jesus” (KFJ) is available online. Please access the KFJ video through “The Sower”, Facebook page, or YouTube channel.
- (Show the Announcement flyer): Please refer to the Announcement flyer for important information and take it home with you.
- Choir Practices: Bell Choir and Pitt Pres Choir practices are on Wednesday evenings, with Bell Choir at 6 pm and the Pitt Pres Choir at 7 pm. Please contact Brock Willard at bwillard@gus.pittstate.edu for more information.
- Debbie Walker: I would like to invite Debbie Walker up to make an announcement.
* **Please mention any last minute announcements.**

Call to Confession

Braden Benson

*Let us confess our sin to our God,
trusting that God’s steadfast love endures forever.*

Prayer of Confession

Braden Benson

Leader: God of heaven and earth,

All: we give you thanks for sending us Jesus Christ in your name.

Even though we profess to follow him,
we confess that in times of trial we too often deny him.

Forgive us and heal us, we pray.

Help us to put our faith not in the princes of this world,
but only in the Prince of Peace. In Jesus’ name we pray.

Leader: Hear now our individual silent confessions:

Wait a minute and say “Amen”, then proceed into the Assurance of Pardon.

Assurance of Pardon

Braden Benson

Leader: It is the Lord who helps us;

. . . who will declare us guilty?

Because of the grace we received in baptism,

. . . we have nothing to fear.

People: Thanks be to God!

[Virginia offers intro to *Gloria*]

Please stand

***Gloria Patri**

Glory to God #581

Meineke

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end.

Amen. Amen.

Please be seated

WORD

Special Music

"Do not stand at my grave and weep"

from *Passion Music* by Will Todd

Pitt Pres Choir

Soloist: John Womeldorff, baritone

Old Testament Reading
Benson

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (NIV)

Braden

*Reader: A reading from Psalm chapter 118, verses 1 through 2 and 19 through 29.
Listen to the word of God:*

- 1 *Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever.*
- 2 *Let Israel say:
"His love endures forever."*
- 19 *Open for me the gates of the righteous;
I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.*
- 20 *This is the gate of the Lord
through which the righteous may enter.*
- 21 *I will give you thanks, for you answered me;
you have become my salvation.*
- 22 *The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;*
- 23 *the Lord has done this,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.*
- 24 *The Lord has done it this very day;
let us rejoice today and be glad.*
- 25 *Lord, save us!
Lord, grant us success!*
- 26 *Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
From the house of the Lord we bless you.*
- 27 *The Lord is God,
and he has made his light shine on us.
With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession
up to the horns of the altar.*
- 28 *You are my God, and I will praise you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you.*

29 *Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever.*

This is the word of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

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**New Testament Reading**      **Luke 19:28-40 (NIV)**      **Trevor Elliott**

*Reader: A reading from Luke, chapter 19, verses 28 through 40.*

*Listen to the word of God:*

28 *After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. 29 As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 30 "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. 31 If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'"*

32 *Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. 33 As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?"*

34 *They replied, "The Lord needs it."*

35 *They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. 36 As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.*

37 *When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:*

38 *"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!"*

*"Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"*

39 *Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"*

40 *"I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."*

*This is the word of God.*

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

**Message**

**"Anticipation"**

**Trevor Elliott**

**Prayer Hymn**

**Glory to God #92**

**While We Are Waiting, Come**

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**(V 1)**

**Verse 1**

**While we are waiting, come;  
while we are waiting, come.**

Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel,  
while we are waiting, come.

## Prayer of Intercession

Braden Benson

**You may say your own words OR the following:**

*Leader: God in the highest, you came to us in a human being  
who humbled himself like a slave.  
The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.  
We pray for the nations that worship power and might;  
may they be ruled by humility and peace.*

*. . . The stone that the builders rejected*

**All:** has become the chief cornerstone.

*Leader: We pray for the church and its leaders,  
that we may have the mind of Christ.*

*. . . The stone that the builders rejected*

**All:** has become the chief cornerstone.

*Leader: We pray for the victims of human tragedies and disasters of nature.*

*. . . The stone that the builders rejected*

**ALL:** has become the chief cornerstone.

*Leader: We pray for those who are in prison—  
the repentant and the unrepentant and those falsely accused.*

*. . . The stone that the builders rejected*

**ALL:** has become the chief cornerstone.

*Leader: We pray for those who are ill or infirmed  
or are rejected because they are seen to be weak.*

*. . . The stone that the builders rejected*

**ALL:** has become the chief cornerstone.

*Leader: God of compassion,  
through Jesus Christ you have come to us and shared our common lot.  
Mold us into people who show your mercy  
and keep us obedient to him whose name is above all other names—  
Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.*

*Please join together as Jesus taught us to pray . . .*

## The Lord's Prayer

**People:** 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.

## Invitation to Offering Benson

Braden

*As we prepare for our offering today, there are various ways that you may*

*give. You may place your offering and Yellow Card in the white box, at the back, as you leave or contact the office for other options.*

*God has given us his only Child, Jesus Christ, as the way of our salvation.  
Let us then give generously, as God has given to us.*

## **Prayer for Offering**

**Braden Benson**

*Let us pray:*

*Holy One, we give you thanks for the great deeds of salvation  
that you have done and continue to do.*

*Bless these offerings of thanksgiving  
that they may further your kingdom in this world;  
through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.*

Please stand

## **\*The Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **\*Affirmation of Faith**

### ***A Humble Creed***

**Braden Benson**

(For the season of Lent)  
lines 13-22

<https://modernliturgist.org/project/seasonal-creeds/>

*Leader: Believer, what do you believe?*

*People: I believe in Christ's humble spirit  
Conceiving the holy, apostolic and universal church,  
which is among us and beyond us, before us and after us.  
I believe in a church comprised of sinners and saints,  
imperfect and in need of grace,  
yet blessed – the body of Christ.  
I believe in the forgiveness of sins,  
The resurrection of the body,  
And the life everlasting. Amen.*

## **SENDING**

## **\*Closing Hymn**

**Braden Benson**

*Our closing hymn today is "Ride On! Ride on in Majesty!".*

Wave palms while singing

**\*Closing Hymn**

*Glory To God #198*

*Ride On! Ride on in Majesty!*

**Verse 1**

Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry;  
thy humble beast pursues its road  
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

**Verse 2**

Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin  
o'er captive death and conquered sin.

**Verse 3**

Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
The hosts of angels in the sky  
look down with sad and wondering eyes  
to see the approaching sacrifice.

**Verse 4**

Ride on! ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
bow thy meek head to mortal pain;  
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

**\*Blessing & Charge**

**Trevor Elliott**

**You may prepare your own OR the following:**

*May you know the love of Christ, the mercy of the Father,  
and the fire of the Spirit as you go with the One God  
who is Mother of us all.*

**Lay Leader: After the blessing, begin to take the light of Christ into the world:**

- 1. Light the candle lighter with one of the candles on the communion table.**
- 2. Extinguish both candles on the communion table.**
- 3. Stand with the light, facing the congregation.**
- 4. Walk out with the light through the East aisle, in front of Pastor, to the back of the sanctuary.**
- 5. Extinguish the light and stow the candle lighter.**

**Postlude**

*The Royal Banners*

**James Mansfield**

**Virginia Darling, organ**