

PALM SUNDAY & PASSION WEEK

APRIL 13, 2025

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Preparing for Worship: “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” (Psalm 118:27, New International Version).

Prelude Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Accompanist

Welcome and Greeting in Jesus’ Name Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

***Opening Song (Stand) # 221 “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”** *ELLACOMBE*
222 “All Glory Laud and Honor” *ST. THEODULPH*

***Call to Worship (Stand):**

This is the day that the Lord has made;

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

His steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say,

“His steadfast love endures forever.”

Open to me the gates of righteousness,

That I may enter through them. And give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; The righteous shall enter through it.

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***Opening Prayer (Stand)**

Song of Faith # “You Are My King”(Amazing Love) Worship Team

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Nancy Lindberg

The First Reading Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Second Reading Philippians 2:5-11

Gospel Reader: Deacon Traci Brown

***The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ (Stand)** Luke 19:28-40

***Responsorial (Stand) #231 “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”**

PASSION CHORALE

***Greeting and Sharing Peace with Family and Neighbors (Stand)**

The Children's Sermon (Children’s Church for Students Preschool–3rd Grade)

Announcements & Prayers: 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts, and Donations - Worshipers are invited to give their tithes, gifts, and offerings to the Lord.

Offertory Special Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Accompanist

A Prayer of Illumination & The Message:

The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

WE RESPOND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH AND SERVICE

***Hymn (Stand) #169 “What Wondrous Love is This”** *WONDROUS LOVE*

***Spoken Benediction**

Postlude Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Accompanist

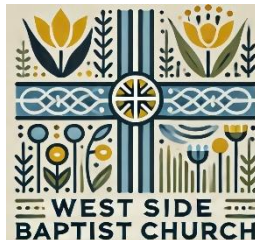
HOW TO BECOME A FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWER OF JESUS

GOOD NEWS! God loves you and wants to rescue all people from the consequences of evil. The Bible teaches the way to become a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ:

1. **ADMIT** – Admit to God you have done wrong things (sinned) that have hurt God and others. Apologize to God, turn away from harmful behavior, and start doing good things (See Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Acts 3:19).
2. **BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOU AND GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD** – Accept and trust that Jesus is God's one and only Son who died on the cross in your place and give God the credit for raising Jesus from the dead (See Romans 5:8; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31a; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18; John 14:6).
3. **CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD** – Make a religious commitment to be a fully devoted follower of Jesus by trusting Him to be your Rescuer, Redeemer (Savior), and Ultimate Leader (Lord). (See Romans 10:9 and 10; Romans 10:13; Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23)
4. **DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO THE JESUS WAY** - Tell your family and friends about your new trust in Jesus Christ by coming to the front of the Sanctuary at the end of a worship service to publicly share your decision to be a follower of Jesus (Christian).

HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH - COME FORWARD – Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and accepting the Baptist principles, practices, and the covenant of this church may join this Christian church. Persons interested in affiliating should speak with the Pastor or come forward at a congregation meeting. A person may join by Believer's Baptism, Letter of Transfer from a previous Christian church with prior baptism, or a Satisfactory Statement of Christian Faith.

OUR MISSION – We love God and We love People by sharing the Good News of God's forgiving, renewing love in Jesus Christ by word and deed to improve the lives of neighbors. West Side Baptist Church is an independent, autonomous Christian church partnering for mission support with like-minded people of faith in our City, County, State, Nation, and World.



Palm SUNDAY

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

MATTHEW 21:9

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