

∞ Order of Worship ∞

March 28, 2021  
10:30 a.m.  
Palm Sunday

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (paraphrased from Psalm 118):

Leader: Thank God because God is good,

**People: because God's love never quits.**

Leader: We will tell the world.

**People: We will join in sharing that God's love never quits.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison) (paraphrased from Psalm 51):

**Loving God, We have a bad life and are sick as a result. You're the One we've violated, and you've seen it all, seen the full extent of our evil. Forgive our evil thoughts and ways. Please clear the slate so we can start the day in Your light, Lord, and to be more loving in all we say, think and do. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Even as we all have sinned,

**People: You, Lord, continue to love all creation and bring us to Your Sabbath.**

Leader: You, Lord, continue to forgive us and hold us in Your loving family,

**People: And lead us as we confess and repent.**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE John 12:12-16

MESSAGE "Escape the Tomb"

A skit performed by teens and special guests.

Hymn: 297 "I Love To Tell The Story" v.1

Hymn : 186 "The Old Rugged Cross" v.1

Hymn: 217 "Christ The Lord has Risen Today" v.1 & 4

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER TIME-THANKSGIVING AND PASTORAL

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

## I Love to Tell the Story

Verse 1:

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love;  
I love to tell the story because I know 'tis true,  
It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

Refrain:

I love to tell the story!  
'Twill be my theme in glory –  
To tell the old, old story  
O Jesus and His love.

Text: A. Catherine Hankey  
Music: William G. Fischer

## The Old Rugged Cross

Verse 1:

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,  
The emblem of suff'ring and shame;  
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best  
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain:

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, (rugged cross,)  
Till my trophies at last I lay down;  
I will cling to the old rugged cross, (rugged cross,)  
And exchange it someday for a crown.

Text and Music: *Old Rugged Cross*, George Bernard  
Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

## Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Verse 1:

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply: Alleluia!

Verse 4:

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!  
Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia!  
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Text: Charles Wesley

Music: *Easter Hymn*, from *Lyra Davidica*, London, 1708

### Palm Sunday

"*Escape the Tomb*" is the title of the skit the youth and special guests will present via Zoom on today, Palm Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. The skit is centered around a tourist trap escape room with an Egyptian theme called The Tomb of the Pharaoh.

You will not want to miss the fun!

### One Great Hour of Sharing

*One Great Hour of Sharing* is providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed. Please give generously. If we all do a little, it adds up to a lot.

There are giving envelopes and flyers in the bulletin this week . There are also envelopes and flyers on the table in the administrative wing for those who are not attending in-person church, to pick up at their leisure.

### Zoom

Session has approved purchasing a video camera and tripod to enhance the live streaming and to free Tim up from having to bring his equipment each week. The cost is \$1,500. We currently have \$500 from the "Staying Connected Grant" from Presbytery that can be used toward this investment.

***If you would like to contribute, please mark "Video Equipment" on your check...***

### Administrative Door

There is a new push button lock on the administrative door. Each person (family) has their own code. Please call **Arlene or Dave Parsons** to get your personal code. Hold your palm over the lock and the device will come on, then punch in your number and hit the \* key.

### PNC

A brief update to let you all know that the Pastor search is continuing and progress is being made.



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