The Worship of God GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH Zoom Meeting ID: 804 359 2475 • 6100 Chamberlayne Road, Richmond VA • 804-359-2475 Palm Sunday • March 24, 2024 • 10:30 AM

GATHERING & REFLECTING (10:20 AM)

During this time of reflection, we invite you to take a few moments to prepare yourself for worship. Take a few deep breaths and settle into the quiet. Center yourself through art by coloring the attached picture. Slip off your shoes and remember that you are on holy ground. No matter what this time looks like for you, your whole self is welcome in this space.

> HOSANNA! HEY SANNA SANNA SANNA (Quick Caiaphas, go call the Roman guard!) HOSANNA HEY SANNA HOSANNA! (*He is dangerous*!) HEY JC. JC YOU'RE ALRIGHT BY ME! (For the sake of the nation, this Jesus must die.) SANNA HOSANNA HEY SUPERSTAR! (Must die, must die, this Jesus must, Jesus must, Jesus must die!)

"Hosanna" and "This Jesus Must Die," Jesus Christ Superstar

CHIMING THE TRINITY

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Responsive readings like this one are a part of worship. The congregation's part is in **bold.***

One: We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks. We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips; Many: We will travel through betrayal and death, cradling hope deep in our hearts

One: Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow, for he is the life we long for, he is the Word who sustains us.

Many: We wave palm branches in anticipation, we lay our love before him, to cushion his walk One: Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes: modeling humility and obedience for all of us. Many: Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God.

INVOCATION PRAYER

HYMN No. 192 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" *Some of us stand while singing, and others don't. Please join us in song in whatever way you are comfortable.*

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Prayer requests are shared out loud with the gathered community. If you have a joy or a concern to share, please raise your hand to request the microphone

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lisa Horn

Sheryl Johnson

ST. THEODULPH

Sheryl Johnson

THE LORD'S PRAYER (ALL)

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.

LENTEN CHORUS

"In Christ Alone"

IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save, Till on that cross, as Jesus died, the love of God was magnified, For every sin on Him was laid; here in the power of Christ I stand.

CONFESSION

O Lord, who on this day entered the city that later rejected you: we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's, that our faith is often more show than substance, that our hearts are in need of cleansing. Have mercy on us, son of David, Savior of our lives. Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and all that we are, trusting you to forgive what is sinful, to heal what is broken, to welcome our praises, and to receive us as your own.

Assurance of forgiveness

One: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Many: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

EXTINGUISH CANDLE

Нуми No. 190	"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"	STORIES OF JESUS
Scripture	<u>Mark 11:1-11</u>	Anita Laffoon
One: This is the Word of God, for the people of God Many: Thanks be to God		
Sermon	"Hosanna"	Anita Laffoon
TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE	"Hosanna" from Jesus Christ, Superstar	Webber

ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

Нуми No. 191

"Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!"

CANONBURY

BENEDICTION

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ is with you. Many: And also with you.

Our services are hybrid, meaning there are cameras in the worship space to allow those joining us via Zoom to fully participate. If you would rather not be on camera, we have marked the areas where our cameras can't see you.



Are you visiting with us today? We'd love to get to know you better! Scan the QR code to tell us more about you.

Announcements

Metro Richmond at Prayer

During the week of March 24, we pray for the Spirit of the Resurrection in Metropolitan Richmond: For a spirit of justice, righteousness, equality, and mutual benefit.

Pray for our Ministry Partners

Baptist Peace Fellowship is the largest Baptist network of peacemakers in the United States inclusive of other denominational faiths, non-confessional groups and individuals. They are a progressive, intercultural organization of peacemakers and are gender-diverse, inclusive, and affirming. They seek to empower the poor, liberate the oppressed, free the captive, and pronounce a new day of grace for all of creation.

Holy Week Schedule

- Palm Sunday March 24th, 10:30am
- Maundy Thursday March 28th, 7pm Potluck dinner and service
- Easter Sunday March 31st, 9:15am brunch and 10:30am service

Guest Speaker

On April 7th, we're welcoming Jennifer Hawks as our guest speaker! Jennifer is originally from Germantown, Tennessee, and is the Director of Advocacy for the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. She was the director of advocacy and outreach services for the Family Abuse Center in Waco, Texas, where she conducted a legal clinic and led educational programs. She previously worked for two judges in the state of Mississippi and served as a staff attorney for the Mississippi Department of Human Services. She also served in both paid and volunteer ministry positions in Tennessee, Mississippi and Texas. She has published papers in the journal of the *Texas Baptist Historical Society* and *Baptist History & Heritage Journal*. Jennifer is a graduate of Mississippi College and the University of Mississippi School of Law, and earned a Master of Divinity degree from George W. Truett Theological Seminary at Baylor University. She is a member of the U.S. Supreme Court, Texas and Mississippi bars, and she was ordained into the Gospel ministry by McLean Baptist Church in McLean, Virginia.

Study opportunities:

- Bible Study: Book of Acts Thursdays at 10am
- Sunday Morning Sundays at 9am
- Ragamuffin Gospel, 2.0 Wednesdays at 6pm.

Just for kids!

We have lessons and activities for kids during worship! Thanks to all who have volunteered to make this possible!

Worship isn't the same without you...

...and we'd love to have your help! We need volunteers to help on Sunday mornings by leading the Call to Worship and the Prayers of the People, and to facilitate the Zoom room. Contact Anita to sign up (alaffoon@ginterparkbc.org)!

Backpack Update

We are running low on grocery bags for our Backpack Ministry! Please bring in grocery-sized paper bags with handles for our weekly food deliveries to identified food insecure students at Frances McClenney Elementary School.

Page Turners

The Page Turners Book Club will have their final meeting of the season on Sunday May 19th at 4pm. The book to be discussed is *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride. Location TBA.

Hymn Texts

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All Glory, Laud, and Honor

All glory, laud and honor to you, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. You are a child of Israel, Great David's greater Son; you ride in lowly triumph, Messiah, blessed One!

The company of angels are praising you on high, and, we with all creation in chorus make reply. The people of the Hebrews with palms before you went; our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present.

To you, before your passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to you, now high exalted, our melody we raise. As you received their praises, now hear us as we pray. Since you delight in goodness, rule in our hearts today.

Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear; things I would ask him to tell me if he were here: scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

First let me hear how the children stood round his knee, and I shall fancy his blessing resting on me; words full of kindness, deeds full of grace, all in the lovelight of Jesus' face.

Into the city I'd follow the children's band, waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand; one of his heralds, yes, I would sing loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King!"

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!

Ride on, ride on in majesty! As all the crowds hosanna cry; through waving branches slowly ride, O Savior, to be crucified.

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

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

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Your last and fiercest foe defy; bow your meek head to mortal pain, then take, O God, your power and reign.

