

March 28, 2021
First Presbyterian Church
Palm Sunday
We Wish to See Jesus



Following Jesus, Transforming Life

Mission Statement:

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington is transforming life by glorifying God, following Jesus, and loving our neighbor.

Preaching: Rev. Chris Campbell
11:00 Lay Leader: Isobel Peden
2:00 Lay Leader: Jane Leathem
Organist: Shina Heo

The Worship of God

11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Words in bold are spoken by the congregation.

§ Invites all who are able to stand.

Please silence all phones and devices

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

Lord Jesus Christ, as you upturn all expectations, make us ready to follow you, whatever that path might bring, loving and serving one another in your name. Amen.

Gathering Music

Shina Heo

Call to Worship

People of God, be gathered together!

Like a hen with her brood beneath her wings, God has brought us together!

People of God, await Christ's coming!

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

Hymn 196 (2:00, see page 5)

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that our love for you and for others has not been genuine. We have not held fast to what is good, and we have lagged in affection for our brothers and sisters. We have not been patient in suffering, nor have we persevered in prayer. We have repaid evil for evil and have failed to live peaceably with all.

Forgive us our sin, free us from the fear of the power of evil, and help us trust in the power of your everlasting goodness; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel! **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

Hymn 197 (2:00, see page 6)

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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Community Joys and Events

Proclaiming

Anthem	Hosanna to the Living Lord Russell Farnell, tenor	Healey Willan
First Scripture Reading	Romans 12:14–21	New Testament page 162
Second Scripture Reading	1 Peter 4:8–10	New Testament page 235
The Sermon	We Wish to See Jesus: How Do We Engage Our Community?	Rev. Campbell

Responding

The Offering of our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Pastoral Prayer and the 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.

§ Affirmation of Faith

This is the good news that we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

Sending

Hymn 802 (2:00, see page 7)	The King of Love My Shepherd Is	ST COLUMBA
§ Charge and Benediction		
Postlude	Hosanna, Loud Hosanna	Franklin Ashdown



Sermon Notes

We Wish to See Jesus: How Do We Engage Our Community?

Romans 12:14–21; 1 Peter 4:8–10

To think local is to think big.

Be missionaries of grace.

Be in Gospel-translating communities.

Five Necessary Qualities for Local Churches:

1. We must be a community of truth.
2. We must be an embedded community.
3. We must be a community of equipping.
4. We must be a community of accountability.
5. We must be a community of hope.

All Glory, Laud, and Honor 196

Refrain

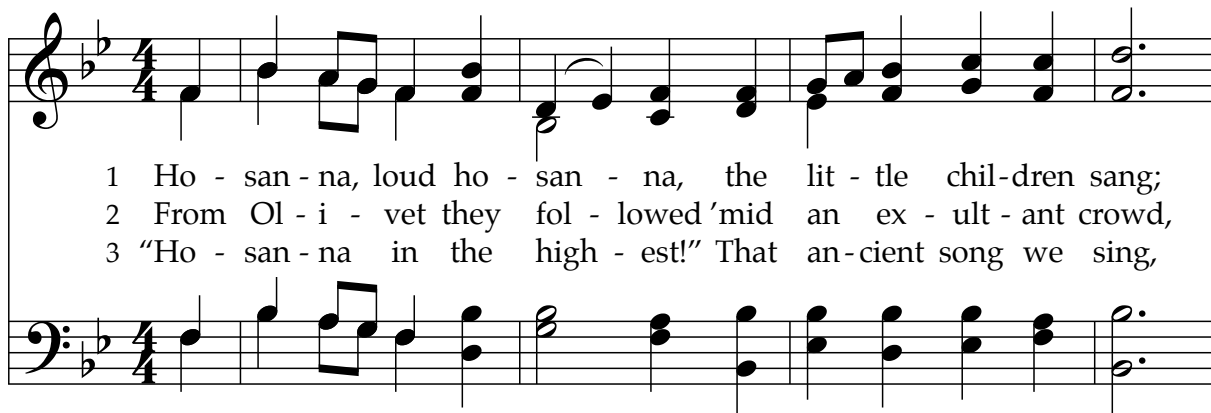
All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re-deem-er, King,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho-san-nas ring!

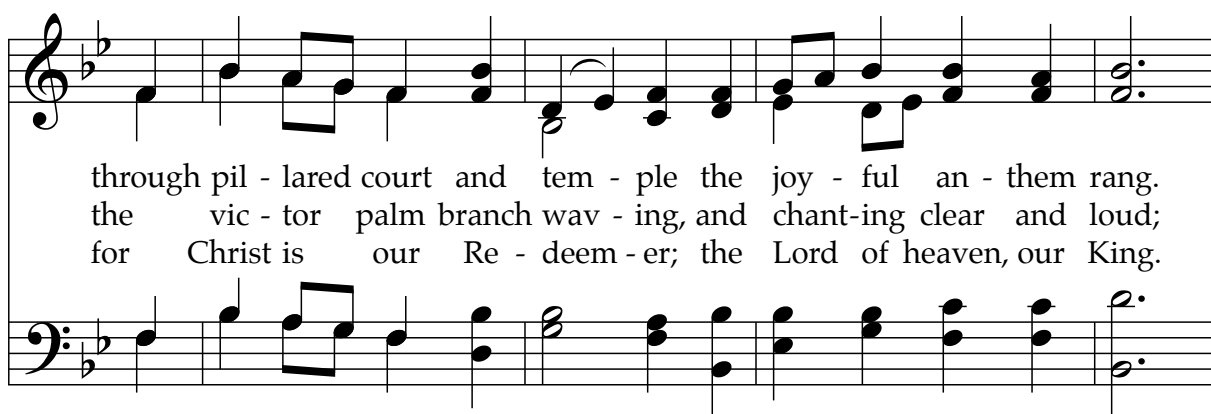
1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
3 To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
4 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One.
our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra-cious King!

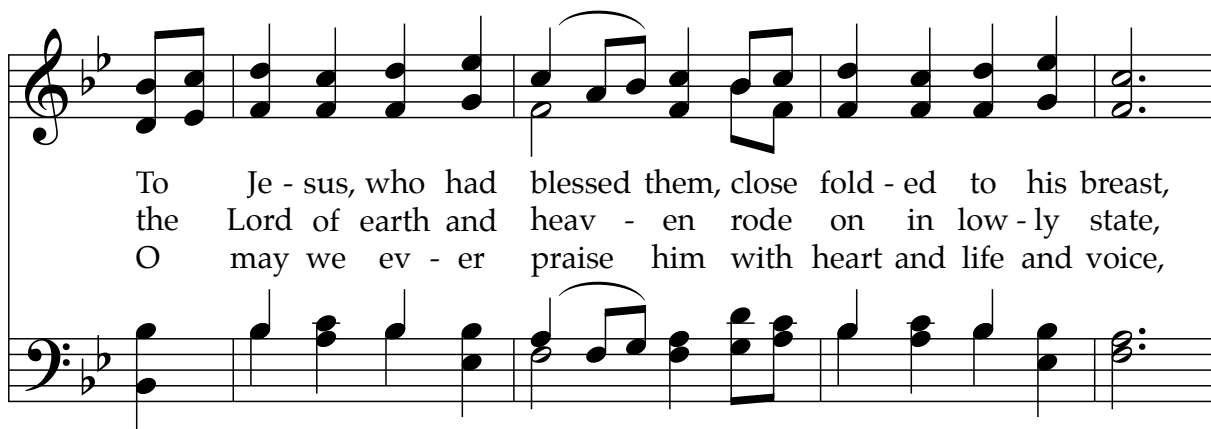
Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



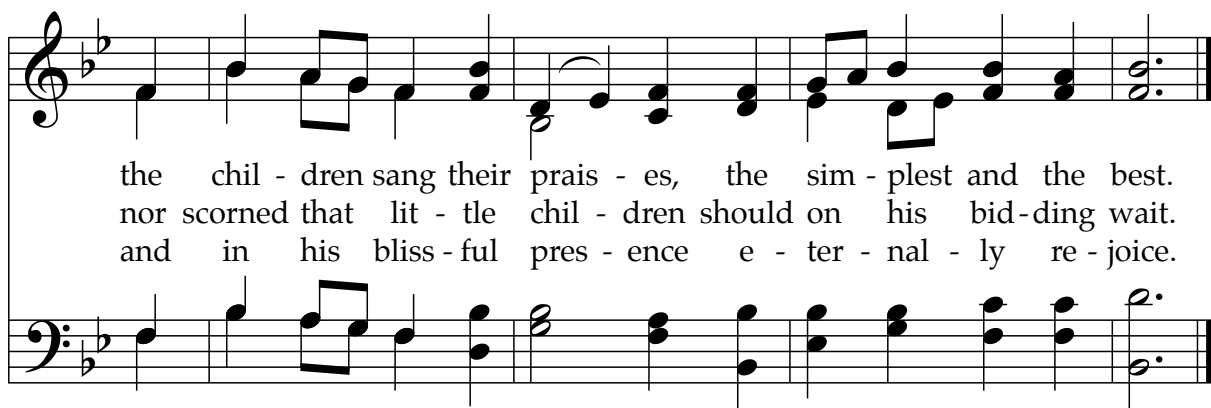
1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed 'mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
 3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,



through pil - lared court and tem - ple the joy - ful an - them rang.
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud;
 for Christ is our Re - deem - er; the Lord of heaven, our King.



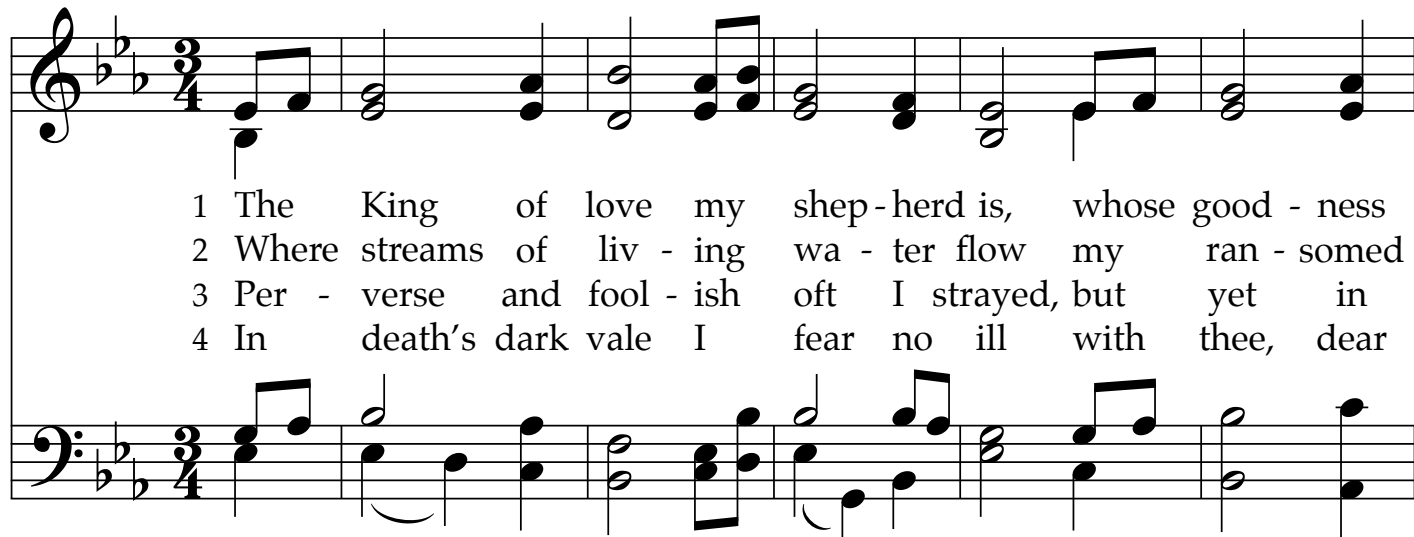
To Je - sus, who had blessed them, close fold - ed to his breast,
 the Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,
 O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,



the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.
 and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

802 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

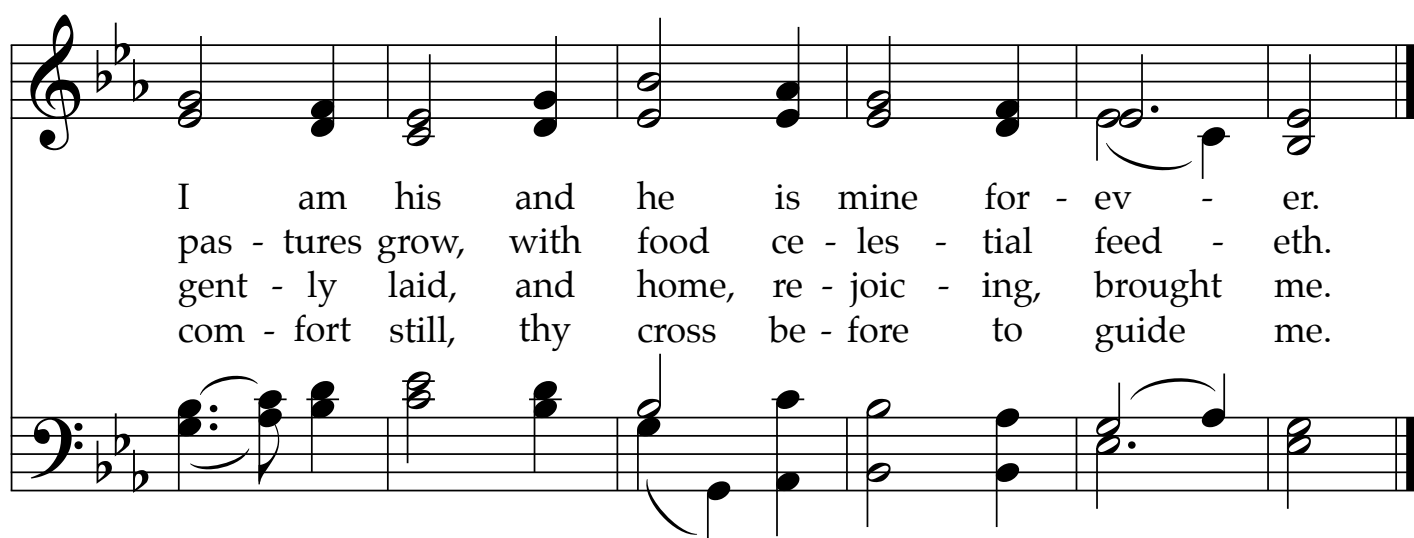
(Psalm 23)



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth, and where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my



I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.

Worship Registration

Please register for next Sunday's service starting tomorrow at

www.firstprestexas.org/home/worship-attendance or scan this QR code with your device.



Children's Ministry Zoom

Children's Ministry Zoom is today at 4:00 p.m. The link to join and the passcode are below.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/86757940253?pwd=aVExY1FuRDdYSmZxY09ZV0xYYnhBUT09>

Meeting ID: 867 5794 0253

Passcode: 0000

Upcoming Children's Ministry Activities

- The Spring Festival Egg Hunt: Sat., April 3 from 3:00-4:00 p.m.
Children can hunt for and keep 20 eggs whenever they arrive. We will also have bubbles and sidewalk chalk with which to play.
- Children's Ministry Luncheon: Sun., April 11 at noon
- Virtual VBS: July 26-30

ROOTED IN THE WORD

A Tool for Studying Your Bible



ZOOM BIBLE STUDY FOR WOMEN

STARTS WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, AT 7:00 p.m.

This 5-week course will teach us a process to use for studying the Bible, using the book of Philippians to practice this method. The Zoom link and study guide will be emailed to all registered participants before our April 7 launch. There is no cost to join, so we can't wait to see you! To register:

- FPCA Website → Get Connected → Adult
- Scroll down to Women's Ministry and fill out the registration form

Today is Last Day to Order Easter Lilies!

For dedications of Easter lilies in the sanctuary, please fill out the form in your bulletin and place it in the offering basket in the Narthex as you exit. A digital form is also on the church website at firstprestexas.org.

Cost is \$10.00 per Lily (per dedication). The deadline for orders is today.

Lenten Services

- * Palm Sunday - March 28, 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary and 2:00 p.m. Drive-in service in the South parking lot
- * Maundy Thursday Service - April 1, 12:00 noon in the Sanctuary
- * Good Friday Service - April 2, 12:00 noon Drive-in service in the south parking lot
- * Easter Sunday - April 4, 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary and 2:00 p.m. Drive-in service in the South parking lot

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[WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/FIRSTPRESTEXAS](https://www.facebook.com/firstprestexas)



Offering

If you would like to give your tithes and offerings in person today, please use the envelope provided in the pews. You can drop the envelope off in the offering basket while departing the sanctuary when the service is completed.

Please feel free to continue giving as you have during this time whether that is mailing checks or giving online. We are most thankful for your generous support!

FPCA Newsletter

The Newsletter is available outside the Chapel and in the Narthex. The News continues to be in the church-wide email each month. The Newsletter is also on our church website at firstprestexas.org.

By using this digital method to send the Newsletter, the church is saving with both printing and mailing costs. If you prefer to have a copy mailed to you, please give the church office a call and let them know.

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

The One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) Offering is received during the season of Lent at FPCA. This is one of four Special Offerings collected during our church year. Offering envelopes are provided outside the chapel and sanctuary or designate OGHS on the memo portion of your check. Posters are located around the church halls.

Presbyterians worldwide have participated in this offering for over 60 years and give about as much as all other denominations put together. The offering gifts are divided between three programs- Self Development of People, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and the Presbyterian Hunger Program. One Great Hour of Sharing serves individuals and communities in need and provides us with a way to share God's love in over 100 countries.

For a list of how these gifts were used in previous years or for more information, see www.pcusa.org/oghs.

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering is now live on our website Give button through April 7th.

Vaccination Registration

These past nine months have been challenging for us all, and our church is no exception. You have been patient as we have had to navigate the issues of re-opening in-person worship and other in-person activities at FPCA.

We are thrilled that vaccines are available now for those ages 65 and over and/or with underlying conditions, a development that helps us get to our goal of resuming in-person worship for all sooner than we had hoped. Several members of our congregation have gotten vaccinated once, and some are close to receiving their second shot.

We are sending this letter to you in case you haven't had a chance to sign up for your vaccination yet. Sign up is easy! We encourage you to check with your doctor if there is any question about you receiving the vaccine.

However, if you need assistance in any way registering online or transportation to the vaccination site, please call Kim Lewis at 817-274-8286, and a church volunteer will be assigned to help you.

Here is how to sign up:

- Go to <https://bit.ly/CovidShot>
- Follow the instructions on your screen

Again, if you need help in any way, please call Kim Lewis at 817-274-8286, and a church volunteer will be assigned to help you. Please check with your doctor if there is any question about you receiving the vaccine.

We look forward to us **ALL** gathering together as a church family as soon as it is safe to do so.