

Central Presbyterian Church  
Service of the Lord's Day: April 14, 2019  
Palm Sunday



*Peace in the Garden* by Blake Traynham

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

OPENING VOLUNTARY

PROCESSIONAL

William Mathias

*(As the opening voluntary begins, please use the time to center yourself for worship)*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anna George Traynham

*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
And also with you.*

RINGING OF THE BELL

† OPENING SENTENCES

*O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.  
Hosanna in the highest!  
God's steadfast love endures forever.  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Let us throw down our cloaks and wave our palms,  
for Christ is here among us.*

† HYMN No. 196 ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

† When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

## Children's

**Note:** Today is Palm Sunday, the first day of Holy Week. This week, we relive the last week of Jesus' life. Today we remember when Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey. On Thursday, we remember when Jesus shared a meal with his disciples and washed their feet. On Friday, we remember Jesus' death, and on Sunday, we will celebrate his resurrection!

We thank Berta Irwin for the design and creation of our Lenten banners, both here in the sanctuary and in the vestibule. She was ably assisted by Jan DeLong and Vicki Norman.

## † CALL TO CONFESSION

Jessica Patchett

## † PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We love to shout, "Hosanna," but, more often, we whisper it.  
 We often cry, "Crucify," but, always, we deny it.  
 We sing of peace and justice, but rarely do we live it.  
 Forgive us, God of mercy. Heal us, God of grace.  
 Free us from our sin, and embolden us to live  
 in the light of your good news.

*(Silence for personal prayer and reflection)*

## † KYRIE

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, \_\_\_ have \_\_\_ mer - cy on us. \_\_\_\_\_

## † ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## † PASSING OF THE PEACE

## † RESPONSE: HYMN No. 440, STANZA 4

ABERYSTWYTH

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sins,  
 Let the healing streams abound, make and keep me pure within.  
 Thou of life the fountain art; freely let me take of thee.  
 Spring thou up within my heart. Rise to all eternity.

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Page 575, OT, Pew Bible

### ANTHEM

### LITTLE GREY DONKEY

Natalie Sleeth

Bethlehem Choir

Little grey donkey, little grey donkey, little grey donkey, Ho,  
 Do you know just who it is you carry on your back?  
 'Tis no ordinary load, no mean or common pack.  
 You are blessed of all beasts to carry into town.  
 Christ the Lord of Galilee; He wears no earthly crown.

Little grey donkey, little grey donkey, little grey donkey, Ho,  
 Once you were a simple beast of poor and lowly state,  
 Christ himself has chosen you and honored is your fate.  
 Though your path with palms is spread, make haste along the way:  
 You were destined here to ride on this triumphal day.

Little grey donkey, little grey donkey, little grey donkey, Ho,  
 Yonder is a grassy hill; it's known as Calvary.  
 Up against the cloudless sky a barren cross you see.  
 Little grey donkey, little grey mare, don't hide your head in shame.  
 For you bear the Lamb of God, and Jesus is his name.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 19:28-44

Page 78, NT, Pew Bible

### SERMON

*Would we recognize it?*

Anna George Traynham

### SILENCE AND STILLNESS

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

## † HYMN No. 199

FILLED WITH EXCITEMENT

HOSANNA

## † AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from Barbara Hedges-Goettl

It is through Christ's reconciling work that we are the church,  
united to God and to other believers.  
As the church, we are the salt of the earth.  
Christ is the light of the world.  
We are entrusted with the message of  
reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ.  
As the church, we are witnesses by both word and deed.  
We proclaim the new heaven and the new earth, in which righteousness dwells.  
As the church, we proclaim that God's  
life-giving Word and Spirit has conquered sin and death.  
God conquers division, hatred, and bitterness.  
As the church, God's life-giving Word and Spirit  
enable us to live in a new obedience;  
God opens new possibilities of life for society and the world.  
We declare ourselves ready to venture  
out on the road of obedience and reconciliation:  
servants of the God who wishes to bring about  
justice and true peace among people.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*(Please sign the Friendship Pad found at one end of your pew and pass it along.)*

## MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY *RIDE ON, KING JESUS*

Arr. Moses Hogan

Chancel Choir and Amber Tittle, Soloist

Ride on, King Jesus, ride on, the conquerin' king.  
Oh, ride on, King Jesus, ride on. No one can a-hinder thee.  
I was but young when I begun. No one can a-hinder thee.  
But now my race is almost done. No one can a-hinder thee.  
King Jesus rides a milk white horse. No one can a-hinder thee.  
The ribber of Jordan he did cross. No one can a-hinder thee.  
He's the King, the Lord of all. Jesus is the first and he's the last.  
Jesus is the Lord, Lord of Lords. Jesus is the Prince, Prince of peace.  
Ride on, King Jesus, ride on, just ride on Jesus!

## † AT THE PRESENTATION *ALL THANKS AND PRAISE WE OFFER* AURELIA Text: David Gambrell

The gates of dusk and morning stand wide to praise your name;  
They raise a shout of gladness and we should do the same.  
All thanks and praise we offer; to you all gifts belong.  
We join your whole creation in grateful, glorious song.

## † PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

## † HYMN No. 200 *A CHEERING, CHANTING, DIZZY CROWD* CHRISTIAN LOVE

## † CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## † CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE TALLIS' CANON

Throughout these Lenten days and nights we turn to walk the inward way.  
Where, meeting Christ, our guide and light, we live in hope till Easter day.

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY *TOCCATA IN A MINOR* Jan Pieter Sweelinck

Throughout Lent you will hear singing bells during the Prayers of the People. According to Tibetan oral tradition, the use of singing bowls dates back to the time of the historical Buddha, 560 - 480 B.C. Playing the bells usually causes an immediate centering effect. Auditory scientists suggest that the tones set up a response creating a balancing left/right brain synchronization. For some, meditating on the subtle sounds tunes one in to the universal sound within and without.

During the offering, take a moment to sign the friendship pads found in each pew. If you are visiting with us, please leave your contact information so that we can reach out to you! Newcomers and regulars alike can see who is sitting around them and greet each other by name. By signing in, you help us build stronger community connections at Central.

To make an offering with your phone, scan the QR code below or text "cpcatlanta" to 73256.



## This week at Central Presbyterian Church

### Palm Sunday, April 14

12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil  
 12:15 p.m. Welcome Reception for Jessica  
 6:00 p.m. Welcome dinner  
*Lum Home*

### Monday, April 15

2:00 p.m. Program Staff Meeting  
 3:00 p.m. Worship Staff Meeting

### Tuesday, April 16

*No events scheduled.*

### Wednesday, April 17

5:30 p.m. Geneva Handbell Choir  
 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

### Maundy Thursday, April 18

12:15 p.m. Worship Service  
*Rand Chapel*  
 6:30 p.m. Parish Dinners

### Good Friday, April 19

12:15 p.m. Worship Service  
*Rand Chapel*  
 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Service  
*at Morningside Presbyterian Church*

### Saturday, April 20

*No events scheduled.*

### Easter Sunday, April 21

9:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast  
 11:00 a.m. Easter Sunday Service  
*Jessica Patchett, preaching*  
 12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil

## Thanks to Those Serving During Today's Worship

**Ushers:** Hugh Landrum (co-captain) Susan Landrum (co-captain) • Chris Kelly • Shelley Parnes • Charles Rooks Mike Sizemore • Terry Tusher • Kathy Walker

**Greeters:** Deanna Robbins • Shirley Landrum

**Sound Engineer:** Kim McNair

**Bell Ringer:** Lynne Rea

**Collectors of Friendship Pads:** Cook-Byers Family

**Deacons of the Day:** Kristeen Sorrells • Beth Vogel

**Choir Guild:** Lynne Rea

## Worship Notes and Announcements

**Our liturgist today:** Jessica Patchett

**Lector of the Day:** Michael Lloyd

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## Welcome Visitors

Central is a community in which you can learn and teach, care and be cared for, love and be loved. You have a place here among this community of faith. All visitors and newer members are invited to the Believing and Belonging class to explore what Presbyterians believe, how those beliefs inform our life at Central, and what it means to belong in today's world of competing interests. The next class is June 2 at 9:45 a.m. in the Parlor. For more information, contact Anna at [atraynham@cpcatlanta.org](mailto:atraynham@cpcatlanta.org).

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### Members in preparation for ordination as Ministers of word and sacrament:

Erin Burt  
 Julia Watkins