



Worship for the Lord's Day Palm / Passion Sunday

April 13, 2025
9:30 am

***Congregation Gathers in the Garden for the Parade**

***Words of Welcome in the Garden**

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

***Opening Words:**

Ken Monson

One: On this day, Jesus marched

**All: in between the city walls and the Temple,
in between joyful Hosannas and doubtful whispers,
in between oppressive poverty and greedy power,
in between rampant fear and hope unfurled.**

One: On this day, Jesus marched in between what had been and what could be.

**All: So may we meet Christ in that liminal space.
May we lay down our coats in that messy middle.**

One: Hosanna in the highest!

All: Hosanna in between!

***Hymn 597**

Sanna, Sannanina
Music on the next page

SANNANINA

San-na, san-na-ni-na, san-na, san-na, san-na. Ho - san - na San-na, san-na-ni-na,

sanna, sanna, sanna. Ho - san-na Sanna, sanna, san-na, sannanina, sanna, sanna, sanna.

Ho san - na San-na, sanna, san - na, sannanina, sanna, sanna, sanna. San-na-ni-na

A Blessing for Palm Sunday written by Kate Bowler

Beth & Ken

***Hymn 197**

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Savannah Jungers

Call to Confession

Ken

Friends, we are truth-tellers in the prayer of confession.
 We are honest about the fact that we are works in progress. We tell the truth of our lives.
 We lay it all out before God.

But this moment of prayer isn't just about us.
 In the prayer of confession we also reveal who God is, and our God is merciful.
 Our God is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

So let us pray, knowing that God's truth will always mean grace for us.

Prayer of Confession

One: Great Creator, forgive me
All: when I speak before listening,

**when I speak over my neighbor,
when I speak with barbed words.**

One: Creator God, forgive me

**All: when I listen to society,
when I listen to my friends,
when I listen to the news,
but I do not listen to you.**

One: Creator God, forgive me

**All: when I shout out, but do not shout your name,
when I listen, but do not listen for your voice.
Forgive me.**

One: Create in me a heart like yours.

All: Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

One: Friends, whether or not you stuck to your Lenten goals this year, whether or not this is your first time in church or your thousandth time, whether or not you know to speak to God or listen for God's voice, God listens to you.

God is merciful.

God is abounding in steadfast love.

There is nothing you could do or leave undone that could keep God from loving you.

So hear and believe the good news of the gospel:

**All: We are seen. We are heard. We are loved. We are forgiven.
Not a day goes by that we ever walk alone. Hosanna in the highest! Amen.**

***Sung Response 551**

Lord, Have Mercy

LAND OF REST

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

One: As a sign of our reconciliation with God and with one another, let us share the peace with one another. The Peace of Christ be with you!

All: And also with you!

***Sung Response 414** sing twice

Be Still and Know That I Am God

PSALM 46

Growing with God

Kristin Duy

Following Growing with God, all children are invited to go to Grace Space or sit in the pews with their families.

Sung Response 414 remain seated, sing once

Be Still and Know That I Am God

PSALM 46

Prayer for Inspiration

Ken

Scripture Reading

Luke 19:29-40

One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Everything [in] between **shouting** & **silence**

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

***Affirmation of Faith**

We believe that many years ago
 a peaceful parade wove its way through the streets of Jerusalem.
 We believe that on that day the people cried out, longing and praying for a better world.
 We believe that these longings came from a place of deep hope,
 and we believe that hope cannot be silenced.
 So we listen for the Spirit.
 We sing Hosanna.
 We pay attention.
 For in between the silence and the song, we believe the Spirit is speaking. Amen.

***Hymn 209 v 1, 3, 4**

My Song Is Love Unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN

Offering Our Gifts to God

Invitation to Offering and Receiving of One Great Hour of Sharing Special Offering

Ken

If you have a fish bank please bring it forward and put it on the communion table



Offertory

Hosanna and Hallelujah!

Kevin Thomson/arr. Joel Raney

Chancel Choir, Liz Monson & Barb Webster handbells

QRCode for Giving

***Doxology** words 607, tune 606 *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDRETH

***Prayer of Dedication**

Church Tidings

Beth

use this QRCode to sign into the friendship pad



Joys & Concerns

God's People Pray / The Lord's Prayer (using "sins")

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;
 and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***Hymn 198**

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

ST. DROSTANE

***Charge and Blessing**

***Postlude**

Festive Postlude on "St. Theodulph"

Douglas Wagner

* Please rise in spirit or body

All speak emboldened type

LITURGIST: Ken Monson

ONLINE WORSHIP HOST: Amy Hall

ACOLYTE: Savannah Jungers

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USHERS: Janice Bouchard, Steve Bouchard

AV: Pat Garner, Liz Monson

LARGE PRINT hymnals are available from the ushers.

Next Sunday in Worship, April 20

Easter Sunday

Communion

7:00 am Sunrise Worship; Garden (bring your own chair)

7:45 am Continental Breakfast; Gathering Room

9:30 am Worship with Brass; Sanctuary

Luke 24:1-12

everything [in] between grief & hope



VISITING CPC? WELCOME!

We believe feeling welcome is foundational for members and visitors to be open to the journey of lifelong faith formation and growth. If you've felt a sense of welcome at CPC and are curious to learn more about us, reach out to Erin James, Community Connector, to chat by email erinjames1@comcast.net or by phone at (630) 649-0151.



Holy Week Services

April 18	7:30 pm	Good Friday
		Easter Sunrise Garden
	7:00 am	• BYO chair • Communion • Continental breakfast follows
April 20		
	9:30 am	Easter Worship
		• Brass Quartet • Communion

This week at CPC:

Sunday, April 13

Palm / Passion Sunday

Easter Garden Walk - All week long

Receiving One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

9:30 am — Worship

9:45 am — No Faith Formation

10:45 am — Adult Ed; Chapel / Zoom

5:00 pm — HS & MS Cubes; Road Rally

Monday, April 14

7:00 pm — Session; Chapel & Zoom

Tuesday, April 15

10:30 am — PW Coordinating Team; Gathering Room

1:30 pm — Staff Meeting, Chapel / Zoom

7:00 pm — Kids' Academy Board; Gathering Room

7:30 pm — CE-Y; Chapel / Zoom

Wednesday, April 16

7:00 pm — Chancel Choir; Sanctuary

7:00 pm — Nominating; Zoom

Thursday, April 17

9:00 am — Read * Share * Pray; Chapel / Zoom

7:00 pm — Clarion Bell Choir rehearsal; Sanctuary

7:30 pm — Mission, Education, Outreach; Chapel/Zoom

Friday, April 18

Communion

Church office closed

7:30 pm — Good Friday Tenebrae Worship; Sanctuary

Saturday, April 19

Sunday, April 20

Communion

7:00 am — Sunrise Worship in Garden

7:45 am — Continental Breakfast; Gathering Room

9:30 am — Worship

Monday, April 21

Church office closed for Easter Monday Holiday



NURSERY CARE

The Nursery will be staffed by our volunteers **April 20**. The Nursery is located across from the church office on the main floor and is always open for use, even when not staffed by our volunteers.



BIBLE EXPLORERS

April 27

9:45 - 10:45; Gathering Room

All kids in 4th - 6th grade are

encouraged to participate in our Bible Explorers group. These sessions will be

exciting and engaging. Kids will get a chance to interact with their friends and their Bibles in ways that equip and inspire them to read their Bibles regularly at home.



LENDING LIBRARY SPOTLIGHT

Psalms of Wonder

For readers of all ages, these inviting poems and gorgeous illustrations are inspired by the book of Psalms, echoing all its wonder and courage, comfort and joy, protection and love. For children, *Psalms of Wonder* offers an introduction, bridging to the beloved phrases and images of Scripture. For readers who already know and love the Psalms, the poems reveal a refreshing new perspective while holding true to respected biblical translations. Perfect for savoring and sharing, this luminous collection will resonate deep in the hearts of God's children. **Check it out today!**



ADULT EDUCATION FOR LENT: *Turning Over Tables*

Sunday, April 13

10:45 Chapel & [Zoom link](#)

We conclude our study of the book *Turning Over Tables: A Lenten Call for Disrupting Power*, by Kathy Escobar. We encourage you to continue your personal study of the rest of the book, through Holy Week and Easter.

The daily readings discuss power – how we use it and how it influences us and others in the world in which we live together. We work through a chapter of the book on our own each week. Then we meet together on Sunday morning and discover more together. Please join us in this journey!

This week's class will cover the chapter Week Five: CULTIVATE. Gregg Morton will be our leader this Sunday.

A couple of books are still available at the church. **Please pick up your copy and get started.** Then join us in the chapel or on Zoom at 10:45. [Zoom link](#)



ADULT EDUCATION

Sunday April 27

10:45 Chapel & [Zoom link](#)

Estate Planning: featured speaker, Sherri Finke of the Presbyterian Foundation

We welcome Sherri Finke from the Presbyterian Foundation to Adult Ed. She will spend an hour speaking about estate planning topics, such as tax-advantaged Donor Advised Funds and Qualified Charitable Distributions, among other more general estate planning topics.



ADULT ED: *The Emotionally Healthy Life*

Sunday May 4

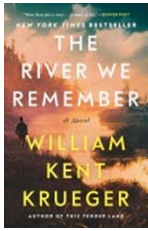
10:45 - 11:45

Chapel/ [Zoom link](#)

In this fast-paced world, the challenges to our emotional well-being are constant and daunting. CPC is pleased to welcome Dr. Genalin Niere-Metcalf on Sunday, May 4 for a discussion to help you cope with your own struggles and be better able to recognize when others have problems.



Dr. Niere-Metcalf is a clinical psychologist and spiritual director at Samara Care Counseling in Naperville who has worked extensively with various groups to raise awareness of emotional health, including working with churches and individual clergy. She has a Psy.D. in Clinical Psychology from Wheaton College, as well as a M.A. in Spiritual Formation and Soul Care from Talbot School of Theology and B.S. in Nursing from California State University of Long Beach.



CIRCLE OF VOICES: DATE CHANGE FOR APRIL MEETING

Wednesday, April 23

9:30 am

Gathering Room

Circle of Voices will meet on **Wednesday April 23rd** at 9:30am in the Gathering Room at CPC. Our book is *The River We Remember* by William Kent Krueger. All are welcome to join the discussion, even if you have not finished or read the book. The book will be available at the end of March at the Clarendon Hills Library.

Traditionally we enjoy lunch together at a local restaurant. For more information contact Barb Coop.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

**PC(USA) Special Offering
Received TODAY**

Gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing support efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.



CPC CONCERT SERIES

April 27, 3:00pm

Sanctuary

We welcome John Sharp, the principal cello of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Liba Shacht, violinist in the Lyric Opera Orchestra and the principal second violin in the Grant Park Orchestra, and Winston Choi, an Associate Professor of Piano and the Head of the Piano Program at Roosevelt University's Chicago College of Performing Arts.



The program includes the Shostakovich Cello Sonata and a well-known Haydn piano trio often nicknamed the Gypsy. The final work embodies all the finest qualities of Mendelssohn's art from the passionate to the sublime. Admission to the concert is free, although donations are appreciated.



SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, May 18th

Retirement Celebration honoring Beth Freese Dammers

Details to follow!



2025 CPC FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT!!

April 27, 5:00 - 7:30 pm
Neat Kitchen & Bar

Come for a night of fun and food while supporting the Youth Summer Mission Caravan! CPC's Trivia Night will be held at Neat Kitchen & Bar in Westmont on Sunday, April 27. Doors open at 5:00 pm to start prepping your team and getting your food orders in! *Trivia will begin promptly at 5:30 pm.*

Teams will be randomly assigned unless you register a guest who will then be placed on your team. Please pay the small registration fee online or by check at the church office. All fees are part of a fundraising effort for our CPC Youth Summer Caravans or short-term mission trips. Admission is \$10 per person; \$25 max for families. All proceeds will go to the Youth Mission Caravan fund!



[QR Code for Registration](#)



KIDS' ACADEMY FUNDRAISER

Spring Flower / Plant Sale

Orders due TODAY

Please order Spring flowers and plants from the Kids' Academy (KA) sale! All proceeds benefit the KA Tuition Assistance Fund, ensuring all have access to quality preschool and before / after school care for elementary aged children.

[Click here to order online.](#)



HELP A REFUGEE FAMILY THROUGH EXODUS WORLD SERVICES

Last week I told you about our Household Care Pack collection to help a refugee family in need. This week we've received news of a family for us to meet and to gratefully accept our donations of needed items. They are a

Syrian family of seven—husband and wife and five children. There are three teenage daughters and two little boys, who are four and five years old. They know only a little English, with the father knowing a bit more than the others. They live in Palos Hills. The list in this week's Blast and the QR code in the bulletin have been updated to delete the diapers and baby wipes, which are not needed.



A big thank you to those who have donated so far. We hope to fill the box that is in the Gathering Room and make the delivery by the first week in May, if not sooner. Any problems, you can reach me, Linda Cirillo, at (630) 229-3428.



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