



# GATHERING TO PRAISE

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#### Prelude

"Be Thou My Vision" arranged by Fred Bock Steve Gustafson, organ

## \*Welcome and Call to Worship

In the safety and quiet of the Upper Room, Jesus yet grew troubled. "One of you will betray me!"

"Surely not I!" they all said, but Jesus knew better.

Jesus replied, "He who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me."

We know the sickening feeling of being betrayed by a loved one. **Jesus, we feel your dismay. We long to comfort you with faithfulness.** 

So as we rise to praise, we consecrate our wandering hearts, We join them to Jesus that he might feel us draw close.

## \*Hymn of Praise

No. 233 "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

**HYFRYDOL** 

\*Blessing God

\*Scriptural Call to Confession

#### \*Prayer of Confession

O Lord, be gracious to us and heal us, for we have sinned against you! Though we would never intentionally betray you, we have been neglectful. Our drowsy, distracted devotion to you has not matched your passionate, unwavering faithfulness to us. But we would do better! Holy Spirit, wake us up. Open our eyes. Fill our hearts with greater love as we walk with our Savior through his last days. Amen.

\*Silent Confession

\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Response SAGINA

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God shouldst die for me? Amazing love! How can it be? That thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

### \*Greeting and Announcements

Children ages three through kindergarten are invited to Children's Church.

### Offertory

"Psalm 41 & 55" from New Scottish Psalter and Anglican Chant Psalter

My enemies with malice say of me,
"When will he die, his name come to an end?"
They visit me with falsehood in their hearts
And then go out and spread their wicked lies.
They say, "A vile disease has struck him down.
He never will get up and leave his bed."
My closest friend has turned his back on me.
My trusted friend with whom I shared my bread.

For had it been an adversary who taunted me, Then I could have borne it. Or had it been an enemy who stood against me, Then I could have hidden from him.

But it was you, a man after my own heart, My companion, my own familiar friend.

Please place your prayer requests and offerings in the plate as it is passed.

### \*Response Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## \*Prayer of Dedication



# PROCLAIMING THE WORD

#### \*Hymn of Preparation

No. 210 "Jesus Paid It All"

ALL TO CHRIST

#### Time with God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalm 41:5-9

My enemies say of me in malice,
"When will he die, and his name perish?"

And when one comes to see me, he utters empty words,
while his heart gathers iniquity;
when he goes out, he tells it abroad.

All who hate me whisper together about me;
they imagine the worst for me.

They say, "A deadly thing is poured out on him; he will not rise again from where he lies." Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.

Psalm 55:12-14, 20-21

For it is not an enemy who taunts me—
then I could bear it;
it is not an adversary who deals insolently with me—
then I could hide from him.
But it is you, a man, my equal,
my companion, my familiar friend.
We used to take sweet counsel together;
within God's house we walked in the throng.

My companion stretched out his hand against his friends; he violated his covenant.

His speech was smooth as butter, yet war was in his heart; his words were softer than oil, yet they were drawn swords.

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, That through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

#### Sermon

Gerrit Dawson "Betrayed"



# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### **Time of Reflection**

# \*Hymn of Response



## **Sacrament of Communion**

### The Exchange of Love

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

Lift up your hearts!
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

# Communion Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

#### **Words of Institution**

Great is the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Communing in Christ Prayer of Thanks

Please come forward to receive communion.

### **Communion Meditation**

"The King of Love, My Shepherd Is" arranged by Robin Milford



# BENEDICTION

## \*Response

Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!

#### **Postlude**

"Spring" from The Four Seasons by Antonio Vivaldi

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Donald Cunningham by his grandchildren Mary Michael and Robert McDuff.

Scripture for Next Week: Psalm 118:19–29 Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed. All songs used by permission: CCLI license #207235. Cover Art: A New Light Shining by Youngsung Kim



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Combined Palm Sunday Worship Next Week!** Join us for our Palm Sunday festival! Palm procession on North Blvd. at 10 am then worship in the Sanctuary followed by a fish fry lunch with fun children's activities. Childcare will **not** be available during lunch. Those not eating are welcome to bring a picnic blanket and fellowship with us. Casual dress is encouraged. Overflow parking will be available at the Old Governor's Mansion.

**RSVP for Fish Fry Lunch.** Join us for a fish fry after worship Sunday, March 24. Register by scanning the QR code or visit *fpcbr.org*. Cost is \$5 for children 12 years and younger and \$15 for adults. Pro tip: You can get through the line quicker with a picture or printed copy of your receipt!



**Get Ready to Hunt Eggs!** Children through 3rd grade are invited to next Sunday's egg hunt. Parents, please bring 12 filled plastic eggs per child and place them in the large baskets stationed at various church entrances on Palm Sunday prior to 10 am. Eggs should be lightly taped shut. No candy with nuts or peanut butter.

**Girls' Retreat Registration Ends Tomorrow.** All middle and high school girls are invited to a floral-themed lunch and fellowship on March 23 from 11 am to 3 pm at the Fabrés'. The cost to attend is \$10. Scholarships are available upon request (<code>jessica@fpcbr.org</code>).

**Mission Trips Meetings.** Join us for a Romania Mission trip meeting tonight at 5.30 at Cammie Davis' (12211 Lake Estates Ave.). On Sunday, March 24 at 5.30 pm, the Shoenfelt's (232 Granville Ct.) are hosting a Colombia trip meeting. All are invited.

**Final Wednesday Noon Communion: With Experiential Prayer!** By popular demand, for our last Lenten communion in the Chapel, we will once again add several prayer stations to experience after communion. Take your devotion deeper with these moving exercises!

**Service of Shadows: 7 pm Thursday, March 28.** The candles. The darkness. Communion. Original music. The mystery of the 4th cup. The path from cross to tomb. Don't miss this moving service on Holy Thursday.

**Easter Sunday, March 31.** Gather around the empty tomb in the Terraced Garden for a brief sunrise service at 6.30 am followed by breakfast. Sanctuary services will be at 9 and 11 am with Sunday school at 10.10 am.

**See "The Chosen" Apostles in Our Reception Room!** The session has accepted a generous donation from an art collector: stunning 19th century portraits of the apostles. These disciples were chosen by Christ to carry his message to the world. Spend some time with these renditions.

**Women's Spring Picnic, April 13.** All ladies are invited to the annual Spring Picnic where we will enjoy fellowship with women of all ages, as well as feast on a delicious spread of salads and snacks. Join us Saturday, April 13 from 11 am to 1 pm at the home of Kelli Bankston. \$10 per person. RSVP at *fpcbr.org*.

**GriefShare**\*. A new GriefShare\* group is forming on Monday evenings, 6.30-8.30, beginning April 15. Chris Phillips will lead the group which will meet at Phillip Juban's home near the State Archives building. Space is limited. Email Scott Graham (*scott@fpcbr.org*) or Laura Shaw (*laura@fpcbr.org*) if interested.

**Attention Parents of Seniors**. Please send your senior's baby and graduation photos to Jessica (*jessica@fpcbr.org*) by April 19.