

Order of Worship

Palm Sunday

WORDS OF MEDITATION

*Lest we be fooled because our hearts
have surged with passing praise,
remind us, God, as this week starts
where Christ has fixed his gaze.*

*Instead of palms a winding sheet
will have to be unrolled,
a carpet much more fit to greet
the king across will hold.*

~Thomas H. Troeger

Entrance

INTROIT *The Messiah Has Come* Choplin
Celebration Choir

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Wingfield

PASSING OF THE PEACE

*HYMN *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* No. 278
vs. 1-2

GREETING Carolyn Ingram

Leader: Open the gates!

People: Give us courage to walk through!

Leader: Lay down the cloaks.

People: Let us mark the journey to love's reign.

Leader: Lift up the branches!

People: Let us boldly proclaim God's peace!

*RESPONSE *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* vs. 3

(Please be seated)

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CALL TO PRAYER

O God, who has created us in your own image and has called us to live together as your children; create in us a clean heart and renew a right spirit within us. Let us pray.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

O God, we praise you for Jesus Christ,
who came riding into the city of Jerusalem on a lowly beast,
victorious through love and not through violence.
Today, we stand at the gate, hesitant and uncertain;
we are reluctant to answer your invitation;
we are slow to embark on the journey toward your reign.
Forgive us, we pray.

*Please stand as you are able.

*** Seating Interval

Grant us the help we need to be your people –
the courage to join you in the procession;
the selflessness to lay our cloaks before you;
the freedom to lift our palms to your glory;
and the knowledge that by your grace
we are forgiven. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear this good news!
The procession is ever moving forward.
We can join at any moment.
The invitation still stands!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God! Amen!

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN Kim Ports

(Children are dismissed to Sunday School)

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Proclamation of the Word

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Philippians 2:5-11

ANTHEM *A Day for Hosannas* Nix
Celebration Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 21:1-11

*HYMN *Who Is He?* Bible
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SERMON *The Power of Palm Sunday* Rev. Wingfield

Response to the Word

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in one God, Creator of all life,
maker of past, present and future,
Lord of all people, and of all memories and hopes.
We believe in Jesus Christ,
God's word of grace and love made flesh,
who came to declare good news to those in despair,
to liberate both the oppressed and the oppressor,
to proclaim God's mercy as our hope.
We believe in God's Holy Spirit,
who takes our shattered dreams and makes us whole again,

*Please stand as you are able.

*** Seating Interval

who lifts our dying spirits and gives us courage,
who resurrects in us new life.

We believe that the Church is of God
and will endure to the end of time,
and calls us into a life of love and service.

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CALL TO PRAYER *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* No. 349

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. LaDue

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who
trespass 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.

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INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY Jeff McConnell
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*Doxology

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

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Almighty God, who did not spare your own Son, but delivered him up for us all, and who with him has freely given all things, receive these offerings which we bring and dedicate to your glory. Enable us with all our gifts to yield ourselves to you with mind, body, soul and spirit that we may truly and freely serve you and in that service find our deepest joy. Amen.

Sending Forth

*HYMN *All Glory, Laud and Honor* No. 280

*BENEDICTION Rev. Wingfield

*POSTLUDE Jeff McConnell

*Please stand as you are able.

*** Seating Interval

WELCOME TO SAN CARLOS UMC

If you are new or visiting with us this morning, we encourage you to visit the *Welcome Table*, located on the church patio. We would love to meet you and answer any questions you might have about San Carlos United Methodist Church. We are so pleased that you chose to worship with us this morning!

If you are interested in finding out more about San Carlos UMC, we invite you to join Rev. Wingfield and other church leaders on **Sunday, May 7th**, for a Welcome Lunch downstairs in Room 101 at 11:15 am. Childcare is available by reservation. Contact the church office for more information or to make your reservation.

DURING TODAY'S WORSHIP

- ◆ Please silence your cellphones.
- ◆ Live-streamed worship service for you and your child offered in the Family Room, near the main Sanctuary entrance.
- ◆ Nursery – Nursery care is provided during both services for children 3 years and younger. Ushers can direct you to the Nursery, across from the Sanctuary.
- ◆ Special Services – Large-print Bibles, hymnals, and assisted hearing devices are available. Please see an usher.
- ◆ Prayer Requests & Communications – Please complete the Connection Card to let us know you were here today, to request prayers or pastoral care, or to get more information on ministries and events.
- ◆ Sermons - Live video of our services can be found at www.sancarlosumc.org on the "Worship" tab. Printed copies of the sermon from the previous week are available at the Welcome Table Sunday mornings.

Altar Flowers – Flowers can be given in honor or in memory of loved ones or special occasions. Rosebuds may be ordered to celebrate births. Choose a date on the Flower Calendar at the Welcome Table or contact the church office.

Gift Cards: A variety of gift cards are available for purchase in between services in the volunteer room of the church office. All profits go to support Missions.

Recycling: Rinsed and clean aluminum cans and plastic bottles are accepted every Sunday after services in the upper parking lot behind Room 20. Proceeds go to New Entra Casa.



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TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

MINISTER: Rev. Martha Wingfield

ASSOCIATE MINISTER: Rev. Greg LaDue

CERTIFIED LAY MINISTER: Carolyn Ingram

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES DIRECTOR: Kim Ports

SCRIPTURE READERS: (8:30 am) Ruth Colsell
(10:00 am) Dan O'Sullivan

USHERS: (8:30 am) Jon Shellhammer, Hope Billion, Rich Bauer
Greg Edmonds, Karl Ports

(10:00 am) Bob Zentmyer, Myron Murset, Jan Karnousky,
Beth Martin, Willy Holt

MEDIA AND SOUND: Ruth Ingram, Erina Mesquita

WELCOME TABLE: Betty Burke, Tom & Joan Hayes, Diana Baylor

MUSIC MINISTRY REHEARSALS

SCUMC Band Rehearsal, 1st & 3rd Mon., 5:30 pm, Sanctuary.

Higher Ground, 1st & 3rd Mon., 7:00 pm, Choir Room.

Bell Tones, every Tues., 6:30 pm, Room 103.

Wiggling Worshipers, every Wed., 3:30 pm, Room 20.

The King's Men, every Wed., 5:45 pm, Choir Room.

Celebration Choir, every Wed., 6:45 pm, Sanctuary.

BUDGET AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2017

Actual Income: \$159,072

Actual Expenses: \$113,067

Worship Attendance for April 2: 309

Senior Minister.....Rev. Martha T. Wingfield
Associate Minister.....Rev. Greg LaDue
Certified Lay Minister.....Carolyn Ingram
Music Director.....Jeff McConnell
Family Ministry.....Kim Ports
Youth Ministry.....David Bramley
Congregational Care.....Tonia Gombold

The wood sculptures on the balcony represent biblical themes in the life of Christ.



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Transformation of the World.

PALM SUNDAY

April 9, 2017

Welcome to Worship