



This Weekend In Worship

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A full year of a pandemic caused us to do so many things differently. Last year we wondered how we would celebrate Palm Sunday and Easter since we weren't able to be in our sanctuary.

A year passes and we approach the week of Holy Week, starting with Palm Sunday, with the hope that life will return to a bit of normalcy in the next several months. We haven't been able to fully re-open, but there are many signs that we're moving in that direction.

Throughout this year, we've been challenged to think about what's really important and what really matters. We've been reminded to cut away the excess and focus on what's most fundamental. In the life of the church, much can get in the way of an active, growing faith. And we can even find ourselves drifting further away from the core of faith that we begin to wonder if our faith is even relevant anymore.

But the start of Holy Week, this Palm Sunday, launches us on a journey that shows us the relevancy of the Christian faith. Because Christianity is not just about the celebrations of Palm Sunday or the joy of Easter. It's also about the hard times of life such as betrayal and death. It's about all of life.

This Sunday, we'll hear the Palm Sunday story ([Mark 11:1-11](#)) and then reflect on how Christianity, even after these 2000 years, is still relevant to our lives, to our world, and to our hearts still today.

Look forward to worshipping with you this weekend,
on-line or in-person.

Pastor Kathy



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

PALM SUNDAY

In-Person worship
Sunday, March 28 @ 9:30
(RSVP required)
Online worship available

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Online worship available
beginning **Thursday, April 1**

GOOD FRIDAY

Online Cantata available
beginning **Friday, April 2**



IN-PERSON WORSHIP

Thursday, April 1 @ 6 pm

OR

Friday, April 2 @ 12 pm

(No RSVP required; this is the
same service on both days)





EASTER WORSHIP

ONLINE WORSHIP

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SATURDAY, APRIL 3RD

Sanctuary worship @ 5 pm
(RSVP Required)

SUNDAY, APRIL 4TH

Sunrise service
6 am @ McGraw Park
(No RSVP required)

Sanctuary worship
@ 8:30 & 11 am
(RSVP Required)



March 27th, 5 pm
March 28th, 9:30 am

Announcements

Welcome

Prelude

"Praise His
Greatness"

Arr. Mark Hayes

Opening Hymn

"Hosanna, Loud
Hosanna"

#278

Opening Prayer

Chorus

"Patience"

Children's Moment

Scripture

Mark 1:1-11

Sermon

Is Christianity Still
Relevant?

Pastoral Prayer &
Lord's Prayer

Offertory

Hymn of Commitment

"In Christ Alone"
vs. 1, 2 & 4

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Blessing & Sending
Forth

Postlude

"Epilogue"

Josef Rheinberger