

John Knox Presbyterian Church

**Palm Sunday
Service for the Lord's Day
March 29, 2026**



GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

**Those who are able, please stand*

***CHORAL PRELUDE**

Sing Hosanna!

Lloyd Larson

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalms 95:1-6 (CEB)

Come, let's sing out loud to the Lord!
Let's raise a joyful shout to the rock of our salvation!

Let's come before him with thanks!

Let's shout songs of joy to him!

The Lord is a great God,
the great king over all other gods.

**The earth's depths are in his hands;
the mountain heights belong to him;
the sea, which he made, is his
along with the dry ground,
which his own hands formed.**

Come, let's worship and bow down!
Let's kneel before the Lord, our maker!

***HYMN 196**

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Let us face this day of palms and Jesus' passion with honesty and hope, confessing our sins before God.

**Holy God, sure of your faithfulness even in our dying,
comforted by your compassion toward your people in every age,
we beg your mercy for our imperfect gratitude.
We have looked to you for paltry favors,
when you have given everything.
We have withheld from your people, our neighbors,
and from your creation, our Earth,
the care and tending they deserve.
We have rejected the cornerstone you sent
to build a people of righteousness even here today.
Forgive our failures.
Heal what we have broken,
nurture what we have neglected,
and lead us to your vision,
so that we may know the peace of wholeness in you;
in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Silent Confession

***LORD, HAVE MERCY**

***Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.***

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

If a person is in Christ,
they become a new person altogether.
The past is finished and gone,
everything is fresh and new.

Friends: believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

***RESPONDING IN PRAISE**

Hymn 582, v.1

Sing twice

***Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

LIFE AND WORK AT JOHN KNOX

Minute for Mission: One Great Hour of Sharing

Carter Rief

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Bill Mathews

At this time, K3s, K4s and K5s are invited to join Children's Church on the Nursery Hall for a time of learning and fun. Parents, please pick up your children there after the worship service.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 19:37-38
Pew Bible p. 854

EPISTLE LESSON

2 Corinthians 5:17-20
Pew Bible p. 940

The grass withers, the flower fades,
The Word of our God will stand forever.

SERMON

"The Radiator Cap Solution"

Ewen Holmes

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Brief Statement of Faith

**In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion on of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory Anthem

Arise, My Soul, Arise

Dan Forrest

*Doxology

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

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

PROCLAMATION OF THE PASSION STORY

Luke 23:1-49

*The congregation is invited to join in this dramatic reading,
taking the part of the Crowd.*

Verse 18: **“Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!”**

Verse 21: **“Crucify, crucify him!”**

GO IN GOD’S NAME

***HYMN 215**

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: HYMN 748**

TALLIS’ CANON

Go with Us, Lord

***Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true
our lives may be our gift to you.***

POSTLUDE

The Old Rugged Cross

Roger C. Wilson

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God
in loving memory of Charlie Walters by his family.

Worship Team

Mark Britt
Susan Felton
Bobby Mock
Caroline Robertson

Luke Browder
Ewen Holmes
Carol Phillips
Ava Watson

Justin Cazel
Parker Johnson
Scott Reichen
Rob Wright

Jacob deMaine
Kristine Lee
Carter Rief

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