

# WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

Sunday, April 4, 2023, Palm Sunday

## Reflection

The world is a dark place, and yet the coming of Jesus Christ shows us no one and nothing is hopeless.

Tim Keller

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

### \*Call to Worship

Mark 11:9b-10

***"Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"***

### \*Invocation

## Palm Branch Procession

### ***Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)***

Brenton Brown | Paul Baloche  
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Praise is rising, Eyes are turning to You. We turn to You.  
Hope is stirring, Hearts are yearning for You  
We long for You

PRE-CHORUS: 'Cause when we see You  
We find strength to face the day  
In Your presence, All our fears are washed away  
(Washed away)

CHORUS: Hosanna, Hosanna  
You are the God who saves us  
Worthy of all our praises  
Hosanna, Hosanna  
Come have Your way among us  
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of, Hearts returning to You  
We turn to You, In Your Kingdom  
Broken lives are made new  
You make us new

PRE-CHORUS

CHORUS 2x

## Silent Confession

### Confession of Sin

***Dear Jesus, we often think that we would have recognized You and the nature of Your kingdom had we lived during the time of Your earthly ministry. Break our hearts over our arrogant pride and self-righteousness. Forgive us for our blindness to our greatest need, Your mercy and forgiveness. Show us how to walk in true repentance and***

***faith, and may we never forget that our cleansing came at immense cost to You. Amen.***

### Assurance of Forgiveness & Pardoning Grace

Isaiah 53:4-5

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

### \*Song of Assurance

#### ***What a Savior***

Jeremiah Jones; © 2009 Fair Trade Global Songs

Atoning sacrifice, keeper of this life, hallelujah, You are Savior  
Beginning and the end, forgiver of my sin, by Your mercy  
You have saved us

CHORUS: Jesus You are stronger, more than any other,  
Hallelujah, what a Savior!  
Jesus You are higher, my soul's deepest desire,  
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

You are the shepherd King, You lead us by still waters,  
Hallelujah, You are Savior  
You are my only hope, Your kindness is my friend,  
In Your presence You restore us  
CHORUS

BRIDGE: You are the way the truth and the life;  
You are my joy and salvation  
Stood in my place, taking my shame upon Your shoulders CHORUS 2x

### Sacrament of Baptism

Shiloh Guo Saliutama

### Tithes and Offerings

Matthew 6:19-21

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

***\*\*Kindergarten through 1st grade are dismissed to the library for Engage. They will rejoin the congregation during the final song.***

#### ***Gratitude***

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All my words fall short, I've got nothing new  
How could I express all my gratitude

I could sing these songs, as I often do  
But every song must end, and You never do

CHORUS: So I throw up my hands and praise You again and again  
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah, hallelujah  
And I know it's not much, but I've nothing else fit for a king  
Except for a heart singing hallelujah, hallelujah

I've got one response, I've got just one move  
With my arms stretched wide, I will worship You

BRIDGE: Come on my soul  
Oh don't you get shy on me  
Lift up your song  
'Cause you've got a lion inside of those lungs  
Get up and praise the Lord

## Congregational Prayer

### Reading of Scripture

Mark 2:23-3:1-6

### Prayer of Illumination

### Sermon

*Sabbath is a Gift*

### \*Hymn of Response

***Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah***, Hymn #598

William Williams, 1745; St. 1 tr. by Peter Williams, St. 2-3 tr. By William Williams  
John Hughes, 1907

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,  
Pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty;  
Hold me with thy pow'ful hand;  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more.  
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain,  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through;  
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,  
Be thou still my Strength and Shield.  
Be thou still my Strength and Shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's Destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side;  
Songs of praises, songs of praises  
I will ever give to thee.  
I will ever give to thee.

### \*Benediction

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### **Easter Sunday**

Join us for Easter service next week! We're looking forward to celebrating the Resurrection next Sunday at 10:30am! Sunday School will not meet.

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**Maundy Thursday Service** will be on April 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. We will celebrate the Lord's Supper. The word "Maundy" comes to us as an Anglo-French word derived from the Latin "mandatum," which means "commandment." It refers to when Jesus, in the Upper Room during the Last Supper, said to the disciples: "A new commandment I give you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another." (John 13:34, Revised Standard Version).

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Our **Assistant Pastor Search** has ended! We are thrilled to have Reid Jones joining our staff this summer as Assistant Pastor of Discipleship. Many of you know Reid, but you can learn more about why the search committee recommended him to the Session and what his job description will be at [clemsonpres.org/pastorsearch](http://clemsonpres.org/pastorsearch). In the upcoming weeks, we'll have more details on when Reid will start.

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The next **Newcomers' Class** begins April 16<sup>th</sup> at 9am in 2W4. This six-week class will give you a chance to learn about Clemson Pres and let us get to know you. It is a great start for anyone new to CPC or considering membership. Contact Pastor Steve Dickey at [steve.dickey@clemsonpres.org](mailto:steve.dickey@clemsonpres.org) with any questions. The next class will be offered in the fall.

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**Elders:** Bryan Counts, Steve Dickey, Matthew Icard, Greg Batt, Doug Bull, Bill Caldwell, Lehmon Dekle, Mark Dodd, Bill Fisk, Mike Haas, Will Huss, Kevin Miles, Chris Peters, Rob Porter, Jacob Repokis, Conrad Shuler, Carson Snipes, Barry Swiger, Doug Wilson, Rob Vaughn

**Deacons:** Tommy Barron, Ensley Feemster, Bill Harley, Allen Lohmann, Bill Shivar, Clint Thackery, David Thorsland, Joel Ward, Brooks Williams

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# Mark: Dying & Rising with Christ

*Sabbath is a Gift*

**Mark 2:23-3:1-6**

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