

First United Presbyterian Church of Dale City (PCUSA)

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Palm-Passion Sunday

March 25, 2018

8:30 AM

Passion for Christ-Compassion for Others

Loving God-Loving Others

Connect-Grow-Serve

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Those who are able, please stand either with your bodies or in your hearts.

Bold print = congregational response

Childcare is available in the Nursery for infants and young children.

If you plan to use the Nursery, please sign in upon arrival.

SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

BELLS

The three tolls call us to worship and symbolize our belief in the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In quiet reverence, we prepare for worship.

PRELUDE

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

ST. THEODULPH, Arr. Shackley

WELCOME

MINISTRY IN ACTION

PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Remain seated.)*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

Today we recall the events of the first Holy Week from so many years ago.

We remember how it started with Jesus entering the Holy City and we recall how it ended with his death outside Jerusalem's gates.

This is how it began. A reading from Matthew 21:1-11...

Lord God, as did the people of Jerusalem before us, we cry to you, saying:

Hosanna - blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!

+ HYMN #88

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH GEBEN

(Please stand as you are able.)

+ PASSING OF THE PEACE

TIME WITH CHILDREN *(Please be seated as children are invited forward.) (Afterwards, children 5 and under may go to the Nursery.)*

MOVING FROM HOSANNAS TO PASSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

The choice is ever before us: discipleship or rejection, authentic response or play-acting, commitment that will go all the way to the cross or hypocrisy which is a living denial and death. Like the fickle crowds of that first Palm Sunday, we need to examine ourselves and question the genuineness of our commitment.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Read responsively.)*

Let us pray:

God of steadfast love and purpose, we confess that we would rather join the crowds than stand alone. Even as you prepare to give yourself for the world, we are seeking promotions and possessions. We like safety and security while shrinking from the risk of involvement. We do not like to admit our lukewarm response to you, but neither do we want to be considered fanatics. We ask you to help us understand our own guilt, our wrongdoings, our sinfulness. Then pour out your forgiveness in such a way that we are forever transformed.

(A moment of silence for our private prayers)

In Jesus' name we pray,
Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE *(Read responsively.)*

Hear Paul's words when he reminds us to "let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who...being found in human likeness...humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross." As we confess Jesus Christ as Savior, God is just and forgives our sin.

For God so loved the world he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

Herein lies our assurance.

+ RESPONSE: PALM SUNDAY DOXOLOGY *(Please stand.)*

Praise to our God, wave high the palms; Praise to Christ Jesus, God's own Son,
Praise to the Spirit we now sing; For in our hearts hosannas ring.

OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS *(Please be seated.)*

Celebration of Friendship and Faithfulness

Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads, indicating all family members who are present,

including children in the Nursery.

Guests, we would appreciate it if you would give us some form of contact information:

Name and one of the following: phone number(s), mailing address, or email.

Pew envelopes in the Friendship Pad are for visitors. If you would like regular envelopes, please contact the Church Office.

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering

Offertory

O Love, How Deep

DEO GRACIAS, Arr. Ringham

+ Response (*Please stand.*)

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.

+ Prayer of Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER (*Please remain seated.*)

. . . 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD ACCORDING TO THE GOSPEL OF MARK

(*Please remain seated throughout the remainder of the service.*)

HYMN #85 (*Remain seated.*) *What Wondrous Love Is This* (v. 1)

WONDROUS LOVE

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss

To bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,

To bear the heavy cross for my soul!

LITANY (*Read responsively.*)

Yes, the people welcomed Jesus into their midst. Their hosannas rang out, they called upon him as a savior, a mighty king.

They hoped that the he would cast the oppressors out of their land and bring the nation glory and honor.

It was a special moment - a time of celebration, a time of anticipation, a time when people felt that they would receive a new life.

It was to offer this to us that Jesus came. But God's ways are not our ways, nor are his thoughts our thoughts.

THE PLOT - JUDAS AGREES TO BETRAY JESUS (*30 silver coins*)

Mark 14:1-2;10-11

THE LORD'S SUPPER (*chalice and paten or bread*)

Mark 14:12-25

HYMN #513 *Let Us Break Bread Together*

LET US BREAK BREAD

Let us break bread together on our knees;
Let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
Let us drink wine together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

JESUS PRAYS IN GETHSEMANE (*turn lights down*)

Mark 14:32-42

HYMN #97 *Go to Dark Gethsemane* (v. 1)

REDHEAD

Go to dark Gethsemane, All who feel the tempter's power;
Your Redeemer's conflict see, Watch with Him one bitter hour;
Turn not from His griefs away, Learn from Jesus Christ to pray.

THE BETRAYAL AND ARREST OF JESUS (*Roman sword*)

Mark 14:43-50

HYMN #80 *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley* (v. 1)

LONESOME VALLEY

Jesus walked this lonesome valley, He had to walk it by Himself;
O, nobody else could walk it for Him, He had to walk it by Himself.

JESUS BEFORE THE COUNCIL (*torn piece of material*)

Mark 14:53

SPECIAL MUSIC

Were You There?
Rebecca Anderson, Recorder

WERE YOU THERE

PETER'S DENIAL OF JESUS (*rooster*)

Mark 14:66-72

HYMN #80 *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley* (v. 3)

LONESOME VALLEY

You must go and stand your trial, You have to stand it by yourself,
O, nobody else can stand it for you, You have to stand it by yourself.

PILATE HANDS JESUS OVER TO BE CRUCIFIED (*whip*)

Mark 15:1-15

HYMN # 93 *Ah, Holy Jesus* (verses 1 & 2)

HERZLIEBSTER JESU

Ah, holy Jesus, how have You offended,

That mortal judgment has on You descended?
By foes derided, by Your own rejected, O most afflicted!
Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon You?
It is my treason, Lord, that has undone You.
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied You; I crucified You.

THE SOLDIERS MOCK JESUS (*torn material*)

Mark 15:16-20

SPECIAL MUSIC

Were You There? (v. 1)
Chris Anderson, Solo

WERE YOU THERE

THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS (*crown of thorns*)

Mark 15:21-32

SPECIAL MUSIC

Were You There? (v. 2)
Chris Anderson, Solo

WERE YOU THERE

THE DEATH OF JESUS

Mark 15: 33-39

SPECIAL MUSIC

Were You There? (v. 3)
Chris Anderson, Solo

WERE YOU THERE

PRAYER (*Read responsively.*)

Let us pray: Jesus willingly submitted to suffer in our place. Let us pray to God, and place in his hands the suffering of the world. As we begin, we pray for the church that we may bear our cross and follow Jesus. This is our prayer:

Have mercy on your people, Lord.

We pray for those who have sinned, like Peter. Teach us to be sorry for our sins, and forgive us for Jesus' sake. This is our prayer:

Have mercy on your people, Lord.

We pray for prisoners and criminals like Barabbas. May they find true freedom by changing the way they live. This is our prayer:

Have mercy on your people, Lord.

We pray for people in government, like Pilate. May they be responsible and serve truth and justice. This is our prayer:

Have mercy on your people, Lord.

We pray for those who are dying, like the thieves who died with Jesus. May they die with Jesus by their side, and be received into your kingdom. This is our prayer:

Have mercy on your people, Lord.

We pray for parents like Mary who have lost a child. May they bear their suffering and know the comfort of your love. This is our prayer:

Have mercy on your people, Lord.

We pray for the whole human race, that we may all come to know Jesus as our Lord and Savior. This is our prayer:

Have mercy on your people, Lord.

O Lord, our God, may the suffering and death of Jesus lighten the burdens of all those who suffer. Lead us in the way of the cross, so that, as we suffer with Jesus, we may rise to life in his glory, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

HYMN

The Old Rugged Cross
(*Remain seated.*)

Brad Paisley

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
the emblem of suffering and shame;
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best
for a world of lost sinners was slain.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,
has a wondrous attraction for me;
for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above
to bear it to dark Calvary.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,
a wondrous beauty I see,
for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died,
to pardon and sanctify me.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true;
its shame and reproach gladly bear;
then he'll call me some day to my home far away,
where his glory forever I'll share.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

Quietly greet your neighbors as you leave.

- ✚ **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING:** Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural and human-caused disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed. On **Easter Sunday, April 1st**, we are having a special offering to go towards One Great Hour of Sharing. Inserts and envelopes with more information are included in the bulletin. Please consider giving a donation above your normal contributions for this ministry.
- ✚ **WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE:** There will be no WNA and Pastor's Bible Study on March 28th.
- * **CHILDREN'S EASTER ACTIVITIES:** The Deacons will host Children's Easter Activities at **9:45 AM** on **April 1st**. Parents are welcomed. Come Celebrate the Risen Christ.
- * **LADIES WHO LUNCH (CLASS):** This month we will meet on **Monday, March 25th** at **The All American Steakhouse**, 4179 Merchant Plaza, Woodbridge, at **12 Noon**. Please call Jean Peterman at 703-494-2556 to get a head count. All are welcome!
- * **URBAN PROMISE DONATIONS REQUESTED:** If you are interested in providing food or support for the upcoming Urban Promise visit, please sign up in the Narthex. The Urban Promise group will be visiting us the week of **April 1st**. This group comes to us from Wilmington, DE. Our connection to this group stems from one of our own former church youth, Bethany Wolstenhome Gregor, who mentors and ministers to these inner city youth in Delaware. This visit coincides with their Spring Break.
- * **-NOIS CONCERT:** On **Wednesday, April 4th** at **7:30 PM** in the Sanctuary, a saxophone quartet featuring our very own Hunter Bockes, will be performing sacred, traditional, and new contemporary music. -Nois is a Chicago-based saxophone quartet devoted to the creation and performance of new music. Formed by graduate students at Northwestern University in 2016, -Nois has quickly emerged as one of the premier young ensembles dedicated to contemporary performance. -Nois was awarded the Silver Medal at the 2017 Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition, the largest and one of the most prestigious chamber music competitions in the United States, and was previously awarded First Prize at the 2016 Chicago Woodwind Ensemble Competition.
- * **RISE AGAINST HUNGER:** On **April 21st** at **9:00 AM**, we will host the fourth Rise Against Hunger (STOP HUNGER NOW) meal packaging event at our church. Come sign-up to help with the event setup, event cleanup or one of two packaging times (8:45-10:00 AM or 9:45-11:00 AM) in the Narthex on **April 1st, 8th, or 15th**.
- * **NEW MEMBERS CLASS - FUPCDC 101:** A 5-week new member orientation class led by Marti Hall, New Member Coordinator, will begin on Sunday mornings starting **Sunday, April 8th, 2018**, at **9:45 AM** in **Room 19**. Come and explore your faith, learn about Presbyterian history and beliefs, and understand how FUPCDC serves its congregation and community through worship, mission outreach, and church programs and activities. Meet members of the church and other newcomers to this congregation. Even if you are not sure about becoming a member at this time, you will find this class beneficial. Child care is available for all classes. For more information, please contact the church office at 703-670-7834 or Marti Hall at 703/626-2269 or martihall@comcast.net.

Report on Offering: February 2018

	<u>FEB 2018 Actual</u>	<u>FEB 2018 Budget</u>	<u>Year to Date Actual</u>	<u>Year to Date Budget</u>
Offering Pledged	28,411	31,580	61,088	63,160
Offering Unpledged	1,948	2,526	4,006	5,052
Total Offering	30,359	34,106	65,094	68,212

Joys and Concerns

All those who are ill, convalescing or facing difficulties, including:

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| ✝ Rachel | * Carol Miller | * Jean Peterman |
| ✝ Patty McCoart | * Charlie Ashton | * Larry Menzie |
| * Sandy Godfrey | * Craig Layton | * Stephen Addo |
| * Rick Godfrey | * Karen Gundel | * Carolyn Treneer |
| * Lee Lawrence | * Denise Parris | * Our Nation |

All those suffering from the flu, upper respiratory infections, and other illnesses.

All those undergoing medical procedures, awaiting diagnosis, and/or going through treatments for a variety of conditions.

Remember our Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) as they prayerfully work through the PNC process.

All those serving abroad in our military, including from our church:

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| * CPT Brian Judy, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates | * Greg Anderson, deployed |
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Celebrations of joys with thanksgiving to God:

- ✝ Prayers have been answered for healing and wholeness.
- ✝ Neighbors helped neighbors during and after the snowstorm.

The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:

- ✝ Aldie Presbyterian Church - Aldie, VA
- ✝ Arlington Presbyterian Church - Arlington, VA

Calendar

March 25 - April 1, 2018

SUNDAY, March 25

Palm-Passion Sunday

8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
9:45 AM Education Hour/Kidz Church
11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
11:00 AM Kidz Church
12:15 PM Spread the Bread
1:00 PM PNC
1:00 PM Peace Church
5:45 PM Jubilation Handbells

MONDAY, March 26

Newsletter Deadline

11:00 AM POISED
12:00 PM Class Luncheon
6:30 PM Bel Air Woman's Club
6:45 PM Deacons
7:00 PM Spread the Warmth
7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

TUESDAY, March 27

8:45 AM TOPS
1:00 PM Al-Anon
4:00 PM Lessons
7:30 PM AA 101

WEDNESDAY, March 28

11:00 PM POISED
5:00 PM Piano/Organ Practice
7:30 PM Chancel Choir
7:30 PM RIF Meeting

THURSDAY, March 29

Maundy Thursday

3:00 PM Prayer and Praise
7:30 PM Maundy Thursday Service
8:00 PM AA Support Group

FRIDAY, March 30

Good Friday

SATURDAY, March 31

SUNDAY, April 1

Easter

8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
 Communion
9:45 AM Easter Sunday Activities
11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
 Communion
11:00 AM Kidz Church
12:15 PM Spread the Bread
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Rev. Jeri Fields
Pastor for Interim Ministry

Rev. Dr. Larry Greenslit
Parish Associate

Becca & Chris Anderson.....Contemporary Worship Co-Directors
Children’s Choir Directors
Homer Detrich..... Sexton
Ike Evans..... Jubilation Handbell Director
Joann Paige.....Nursery Supervisor
Kim Parker..... Office Manager
Tiffany Ramsey Little Hands Preschool Director
Justin Streletz.....Accompanist
Dana Van Slyke Music Director

2018 SESSION

Peter Glycer ('20)*Adult Christian Education*.....703-590-0856
Jon Guest ('18)*Building & Grounds* 703-491-4006
Becky George ('18)*Children’s Ministry*..... 571-264-9103
Debbie Boisvert ('19)*Communications* 703-489-7091
Betsy Gilbert ('19)*Congregational Connections*..... 703-670-4949
Tim Camus ('20) *Finance & Admin* 703-897-5131
Chris Martin ('19) *Information Technology*..... 585-455-8423
Jeff Cobb ('18)*Little Hands Preschool* 703-730-2946
Pam Cox ('20)*Mission & Outreach*..... 703-441-6319
Jennifer Casey('19)..... *Nominating* 703-915-6192
Norman Cobb ('18)*Personnel* 703-878-7317
Lora Nedimyer ('19)*Stewardship*..... 703-680-5526
Cathy Albrecht ('18)*Worship*..... 703-670-8369
Sam Parris ('19)*Youth Ministry* 703-730-3920

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Church Office Hours: 10 AM - 2:30 PM, weekdays