

welcome to our Church Family!

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“The Three Crosses,” by Rembrandt, at the Princeton University Museum of Art, Princeton, New Jersey.

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Palm/Passion Sunday

Special Music Sunday

9:30 a.m.

April 14, 2019

I. We Gather in worship

Moment for Reflection

Eugene Peterson

"The life of Jesus is not a happy story, not a success story. What it is...is a salvation story."

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Greeting

Rev. David Oliver-Holder

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

I. Liturgy of the Palms

*Call to Worship

Rev. David Oliver-Holder

L: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

A: slow to anger and abounding in love.

L: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

A: Hosanna in the highest!

*Opening Prayer

Rev. David Oliver-Holder

L: The Lord be with you.

A: And also with you.

The pastor continues.

Proclamation of the Entrance into Jerusalem

Luke 19:28-40 (p. 83)

Procession into the Sanctuary

Hymn # 196

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

*All glory, laud, and honor
to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring!*

*1 Thou art the King of Israel,
thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest,
the King and blessed One. [Refrain]*

*2 The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayers and anthems
before thee we present. [Refrain]*

*3 To thee, before thy passion,
they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted,
our melody we raise. [Refrain]*

*4 Thou didst accept their praises;
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious King! [Refrain]*

Spoken Response

Don Greeley

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

III. Liturgy of the Passion

Prayer of the Day

Don Greeley

Scriptures

First Reading	Isaiah 50:4-9a (p. 681)	Don Greeley
Second Reading	Philippians 2:5-11 (p. 197)	Don Greeley

Jesu nahm su sich die Zwölfe (Jesus gathered the Twelve to himself), BWV 22
J.S. Bach

Movement 1: Andrew Turner and Scott Cuva, soloists

Movement 2: Sadie Cheslak, mezzo soprano

Movement 3: Scott Cuva, baritone

Movement 4: Andrew Turner, tenor

1. Evangelist:

Jesus took the twelve to himself and spoke:

Jesus:

*See, we are going up to Jerusalem
and all will be accomplished
that has been written about the Son of Man.*

Chorus:

*But they understood none of this
and did not know what had been said.*

2. *My Jesus, draw me after you,
I am ready, I want to go from here
and up to Jerusalem to your suffering.
Happy am I, if the importance
of this time of suffering and death
I can thoroughly understand for my consolation.*

3. *My Jesus, draw me, so that I shall hurry after you,
for flesh and blood completely fails to understand -
just like your disciples – what was said.
Flesh and blood long for the world and the greatest crowds;*

*they want on both sides, when you have been transfigured,
to build indeed a strong fortress on Mount Tabor;
in contrast, Golgotha, that is full of suffering
in your humiliation, they do not want to behold at all.
Ah! crucify for me in my corrupt breast
first of all this world and the forbidden pleasures,
and then I shall perfectly understand what you say
and go to Jerusalem with a thousand joys.*

4. *My all in all, my everlasting good,
make better my heart, change my disposition;
beat down everything which is against this denial of the flesh!
but when I am dead in spirit,
then draw me after you in peace.*

Dramatic Reading

Luke 23:1-49 (p. 88-89)

Luke: Pastor David

Pilate: Bob Burger

Jesus: James Ellis

Criminal 1: Steve Hall

Criminal 2: Don Uchtmann

Centurion: Don Greeley

Priests and Soldiers: Choir

Crowd: Congregation

IV. We Respond to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith

The Confession of 1967, adapted

God's reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery which the Scriptures describe in various ways. It is called the sacrifice of a lamb, a shepherd's life given for his sheep, atonement by a priest; again it is ransom of a slave, payment of debt, vicarious satisfaction of a legal penalty, and victory over the powers of evil. These are expressions of a truth which remains beyond the reach of all theory in the depths of God's love for humankind. They reveal the gravity, cost, and sure achievement of God's reconciling work. Amen.

Hymn # 215

"What Wondrous Love Is This" (vs. 1-3)

CHRISTIAN LOVE

Prayers of the People

Your kingdom come,

Your will be done.

Minute for Mission

One Great Hour of Sharing

John Dimit

Words of Stewardship

Rev. David Oliver-Holder

Offertory

Die Seele ruht in Jesu Händen (from BWV 127)

J.S. Bach

Molly Abrams, soprano

Aria: *The soul rests in Jesus' hands,
when earth covers this body.
Ah, call me soon, you death-knell,
I am unafraid of death,
because my Jesus will awaken me again.*

Regular Offering and Can Do Offering

We will pass offering plates for regular offerings. We will also pass decorated food cans to collect funds to support our Food and More Partnership Program.

We will receive this year's **One Great Hour of Sharing** Offering during morning worship on **Easter Sunday, April 21**. Use OGHS envelopes and please write "OGHS" on the memo line or your check. See the insert to learn more about this offering.

Please take this time to sign the Friendship Pad found toward the center aisle of each pew. Pass it down for others to sign. As the pad is returned, note the names of those in your pew, so you may join them in conversation following worship.

*Sung Response, Hymnal # 710 "We Lift Our Voices"

OFFERING

***We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives unto you: we are an offering.***

***Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands;
Lord, use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering.***

***All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you:
we are an offering; we are an offering.***

*Prayer of Dedication

Don Greeley

*The Lord's Prayer (Spoken)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

V. We Go Out to Show the Love of God

*Closing Hymn # 217

“On a Barren Hilltop”

KING'S WESTON

*Announcements, Charge and Benediction

Rev. David Oliver-Holder

Postlude

BWV 22, Movement 5

J.S. Bach

**5. *Kill us through your kindness,
awaken us through your grace;
make sick the old being,
so that the new may live
even here on this earth,
so that the mind and all desires
and thoughts may be directed to you.***

****All who are able may stand***

Today's worship

About Today's Special Music: In J.S. Bach's position as Cantor and Music Director in Leipzig, he was expected to compose a new cantata for each Sunday of the church year. Bach composed today's cantata, *Jesu nahm zu sich die Zwölfe* (BWV 22), in 1723 as part of his audition for this job. Instead of creating a flashy showpiece with large choir or virtuosic playing, Bach chose to show just how much variety and drama he could create with only a handful of musicians. By borrowing forms from opera and introducing an Evangelist (narrator) and Jesus to help tell the story, Bach takes us on an emotional journey to Jerusalem. We will hear the disciples lament their uncertainty, but end with a celebration of unquestioned faith.

Today you will also hear an aria excerpted from a different cantata (BWV 127), titled *Die Seele ruht in Jesu Händen*. This addition to the program emphasizes the idea that our Lenten journeys may be difficult and demanding, but hope and fulfillment await us.

Featured musicians:

Angela Tammen, oboe
Trevor Thompson, violin
Julie Saxton, violin
Daniel McCarthy, viola
Kimmy Chuang, cello
Renata Caceres, bass

Molly Abrams, soprano
Sadie Cheslak, mezzo soprano
Andrew Turner, tenor
Scott Cuva, baritone

Is This the First Time That You've Visited First Presbyterian?

We are glad you are here! The first time in a new church can be a challenge. Here is some information which may make your visit easier.

- ❖ During the Words of Welcome or Offering, please sign your name in the Friendship Pad and take a Welcome brochure. If you feel comfortable, please also take a 'Guest' name tag and wear it!
- ❖ Nursery care is available for infants and toddlers on the lower level which can be reached from a set of stairs off the lobby, and a set of stairs and an elevator off the east hallway. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.
- ❖ Worship bags for kids are available in the narthex.

- ❖ LARGE PRINT BULLETINS, with large print copies of hymns, are available from the ushers.
- ❖ Following worship, we invite you to get a cup of coffee during Fellowship Time (available in the hallway to the left as you exit the Sanctuary) and stop by the Welcome Center near the front door. Here a greeter will welcome you and answer any questions you may have. They also will provide you with a Welcome Folder enabling you to learn more about the ministry of our church.

☞ "When a guest comes, Christ comes." Please introduce yourself to those around you. ☞

Before the worship service, please silence cell phones. Following worship, feel free to post photos about what happened in worship today. Reach out to others by checking in on Facebook or Tweeting your personal, meaningful experience.

Hearing Devices Available: Please request assistance from an AV team member located at the soundboard in the rear of the Sanctuary.

Worship Leader

Don Greeley

Steward

Jamie Ellis

Head Usher

Andy Harden

Ushers

Ed and Carol Scharlau,
Linda Brucker

Coffee and Cups

Jason Harris

Greeter

Karen Mortensen

Church Announcements

In the Church Family: *Let us be praying for:* Marjorie Peeler (C-U Rehab), Dot Hunt (Meadowbrook). Dorothy "Dodee" Buzzard celebrated her 100th birthday with a reception on Friday, April 12 at Clark-Lindsey Village. Cards and shared memories may also be sent to Clark-Lindsey, 101 W. Windsor Road, Urbana, IL 61801.

One Great Hour of Sharing: We will receive this year's One Great Hour of Sharing Offering during morning worship on **Easter Sunday, April 21**. This year's theme is "You Shall Be Called Repairers of the Breach." Please check out the bulletin board in the hallway by the Parish Nurses office, and see the bulletin insert today. This offering supports many essential ministries, so please give generously.

Adult Bible Study: Sundays at **8:15 a.m.** in Meeting Room B (next to the main office). We will not meet Easter Sunday, April 21, but will resume April 28. We are currently studying Luke.

Earth Care Seminar Series: Continues today, 11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall:

April 14: Michelle Wander, Professor in the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences, U of I. "The Environmental Impacts of Consumer Food Choices, Part I."

April 28: Michelle Wander, Professor in the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences, U of I. "The Environmental Impacts of Consumer Food Choices, Part II."

Easter Lilies and Hyacinths: We are invited to dedicate lilies and hyacinths for Easter Sunday to the glory of God in honor or memory of family members and friends. Lilies are \$13.00 each and hyacinths are \$11.50 each. Order forms are available in the Friendship Pads. Please complete a form and return it to the church office no later than **TODAY, Sunday April 14**. Payment must accompany reservation. Make checks to First Presbyterian Church of Urbana with "Easter plants" on the memo line.

Holy Week Worship: Mark your calendars to celebrate with us!!

Maundy Thursday Soup Supper, Eucharist and Tenebrae – April 18, 6:00 p.m.

Joint Ecumenical Easter Vigil at St. Matthew Lutheran Church (2200 Philo Rd, Urbana) – April 20, 8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunrise Service at Meadowbrook Park – April 21, 6:30 a.m.

Easter Worship Service – April 21, 9:30 a.m.

Ministerial Alliance Community Good Friday Service: Friday, April 19, 7:00-8:00 p.m., St. Peter's United Church of Christ, 905 S. Russell Street, Champaign. The theme is "The Seven Last Words of Jesus". Local clergy will provide inspirational reflections on the scriptures related to the seven last words which Jesus spoke at the time of the crucifixion.

NEW Church Directories are available in the narthex and church office.

Paul's Three Missionary Journeys: We did quite well this past week by walking 1,214 miles bringing our total to 4,214 which now completes the miles of Paul's first and second journeys. We have 2,700 miles to go to complete Paul's third missionary journey. Keep up with your exercising and enter your totals on the mileage sheet.

The FPCU Spring Work Day will be this Saturday, April 20, 8:00 a.m. to noon.

Please volunteer an hour or two to rake leaves, pick up branches and trash, trim bushes, clean windows, and do other jobs that will improve the appearance of the church before Easter Sunday! Bring landscaping and gardening tools: rake, hand pruner, lopper, weeder. Members of the Korean Church and Scout Troop 6 will come work alongside our church members. Come enjoy the fresh air, a little healthy work, coffee and donuts, and of course some good fellowship. Contact Eric Peterson, 722-3609, for more information.

Food & More Program Donation Request for April: toilet paper.

Mark your calendars for Spring Outings! We invite you to join members of our church's Earth Care Team for the following outings this spring:

Sunday, April 28: A wildflower walk at 2:30 p.m. in the U. of I.'s Trelease Woods on N. Cottonwood Road in Urbana with Gary and Dixie Jackson.

Saturday, May 11: A bird walk at 8:00 a.m. in Busey Woods with Beth Chato.
Please note, the date has been changed.

Saturday, May 18: A leisurely bike ride on the Kickapoo Rail Trail, beginning at 10:00 a.m. with Dave and Julie Sherwood. Includes lunch at *The Wheelhouse Restaurant* in St. Joseph.

Sunday, June 9: A tree identification walk at 4:00 p.m. in Hessel Park with Jamie Ellis.

Further details and sign-up sheets will be available in the narthex and online as the date of each outing approaches. Plan to come and bring your friends!

Opportunity to Contribute to the Health of Our Vital Waterways:

THE OPPORTUNITY: The Eleventh Illinois Marathon will take place in Urbana-Champaign on April 25 to 27, 2019. Our Earth Care Team has organized a First Presbyterian Church of Urbana (FPCU) team to raise money for Prairie Rivers Network by participating in their *Run/Walk for Wildlife* fundraiser. FPCU team members David Bullock, Elizabeth Greeley, Don Greeley, Dixie Jackson, Gary Jackson, Dave Sherwood and Case Sprenkle will participate in one of the Illinois Marathon events (5K, 10K or half marathon).

THE GOAL: The FPCU team's financial goal is to raise \$500 or more within our congregation. If the goal of \$500 or more is attained, the FPCU *Run/Walk for Wildlife* team will contribute an additional \$500.

HOW TO CONTRIBUTE: A table will be available following the worship services on **Sunday, April 21**, and **Sunday, April 28**, where contributions can be made. A second option is to send a check made out to Prairie Rivers Network to the First Presbyterian Church of Urbana, 602 West Green Street, Urbana, IL 61801. A third option is to contribute online at the First Presbyterian Church of Urbana's *Run/Walk for Wildlife* website.

Thank you for considering contributing to the *Run/Walk for Wildlife* fundraiser as a response to the Presbyterian Church USA's call to engage in tasks restoring creation.

Keychain Case Found: Did you leave a Beltone case in the Sanctuary last Sunday? Check at the Church Office.

Doing some spring cleaning? Remember that clothing, housewares, books, games, puzzles, gardening supplies, and many other items that you decide to clear from closets and cupboards are likely useful to others. Please donate them to Twice is Nice, our church's thrift shop. We'll offer them at highly affordable prices to our customers, then donate half of the income from their sale to local social service agencies and use the other half to meet our operating costs and to maintain the house where the shop is located. Donations are accepted any time between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Questions or need help in getting donations to the shop? Contact Dixie Jackson. Thank you!

Thank You, Volunteers! A big thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the tasks associated with last Sunday's seasonal clothing shift: James, Eliza, Brett and Alison Champion, Isaac and Jamie Ellis, Cindy Strehlow, Nadja Altstetter, Don and Liz Greeley, Gary and Dixie Jackson, Carl and Camille Caldwell, Windsor Road Bible Study and Phi Delta Epsilon, as well as all the shop volunteers. It's a big group effort and we couldn't do it without you. We got it done in record time!

Find Us on Facebook! Twice Is Nice now has a Facebook account. You can find us [@twiceisnicethriftshop](#). We'll feature new arrivals, clothing shifts, seasonal and special merchandise, shop closings, the Tent Sale, information about the historic building, our volunteers, etc. Spread the word about our great little shop – "Like" our page and "Share" our posts with friends!

U of I Baseball Game Outing: Fun and Fellowship invites you to join us for a U of I baseball game vs. Purdue on Friday, **May 10 at 6:00 p.m.** Meet at the front entrance to Illinois Field (1605 S Wright St., Champaign) at 5:30 p.m. and we'll get tickets (they're free!) and sit together. It's '90s night so be sure to wear your sweetest '90s attire – flannels, Doc Martens, light blue denim, nose piercings, Jennifer Aniston hair – you get the idea! Contact Cindy Ottemann with questions (217-493-0905 or cjottabb@yahoo.com)

Church Staff:

Pastor/Head of Staff: The Rev. Dr. David Oliver-Holder

Office Manager: Tracy Weddle ~ **Office Support Manager:** Melissa Records

Sexton: Steve Johnson ~ **Director of Music:** Lindsey Bruner Woodcock

Organist: Ted Turner ~ **Nursery Caregivers:** Skylar Matteson & Autumn Ellis

AV Tech. Coordinator: Cedar King ~ **Media Support Specialist:** Nani Baker

Music Program Associate: Jennifer Immke ~ **Alto Section Leader:** Sadie Cheslak

Tenor Section Leader: Andrew Turner ~ **Soprano Section Leader:** Molly Abrams

Church Calendar for April 14 – 21, 2019

Sunday, April 14

Palm/Passion Sunday/Special Music

- 8:15 AM Bible Study (MB)
- 9:15 AM Child Care (Rooms 4 & 5)
- 9:30 AM Worship with Special Music (S)

After Worship:

- Fellowship Time (N)
- Parish Nurse (NO)
- Children & Youth Sunday School (DS)
- 11:00 AM Seminar: Earth Care (FH)
- 6:30 PM Theology Discussion Group (L)

Monday, April 15

- 1:00 PM Food & More Set-Up (FH)

Tuesday, April 16

- 9:00 AM *Twice Is Nice* (607 W Elm)
- 9:00 AM Food & More Partnership Program (FH)
- 7:00 PM Session (Room 3)

Wednesday, April 17

- 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (CL)

Thursday, April 18 Maundy Thursday

- 9:00 AM *Twice Is Nice* (607 W Elm)
- 12:15 AM Midday Prayer (C)
- 6:00 PM Maundy Thursday Soup Supper, Eucharist and Tenebrae (FH,S)

Friday, April 19 Good Friday

- 7:00 PM Ministerial Alliance Community Good Friday Service (905 S. Russell St., Champaign)

Saturday, April 20

- 8:00 AM Spring Outdoor Work Day
- 9:00 AM *Twice Is Nice* Shop Open and Sorting Day (607 W Elm)
- 8:00 PM Joint Ecumenical Easter Vigil (St. Matthew Lutheran Church)

Sunday, April 21

Easter Sunday, Resurrection of the Lord

- 6:30 AM Easter Sunrise Service (Meadowbrook Park)
- 9:15 AM Child Care (Rooms 4 & 5)
- 9:30 AM Easter Worship Service (S)

After Worship:

- Fellowship Time (N)
- Parish Nurse (NO)

CL – Choir Loft
FH – Fellowship Hall
N – Narthex
US – Upstairs

CR – Choir Room
L – Library
NO – Nurse's Office
YC – Youth Center

CY – Green St. Courtyard
MA – Meeting Room A
ROOMS 1-6 are downstairs

DS – Downstairs
MB – Meeting Room B
S – Sanctuary