

# GILEAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our Mission is to be a welcoming and caring church, committed to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to do God's work in our community and beyond.

**Sunday, April 9 – Palm Sunday, Year A**

## **WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD**

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING MUSIC

"A Triumphal Entry"

By: Sharon Elery Rogers

Sr. Choir – Sr. Bell Chimes

*During the opening music, let us quiet the noise from outside, cease our conversations with the world and begin listening for the music of God's voice.*

OPENING SCRIPTURE

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

**People: Hosanna in the highest!**

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

**People: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!**

Leader: Lo, your king comes to you;

**People: triumphant and victorious is he,**

Leader: humble and riding on a donkey,

**People: on a colt, the foal of a donkey.**

**\*BLUE HYMNAL #88**

**"All Glory, Laud and Honor"**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Lord, our God, we cry Hosanna to your name, but we confess that like the crowd two thousand years ago, our mood will quickly change and we will turn from you, placing our trust in the things of this world. Forgive us, we pray, for our changeable hearts. Enter into us with your holy spirit of love and mercy, and guide us back to you. Grant that as often as we turn away, you may draw us back into the arms of your gracious embrace. Hosanna in the highest!**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

\*THE PEACE OF CHRIST Leader: Peace, be with you. **People: And also with you.**

ANTHEM

“Hosanna Rock”  
Music Makers with Mariah Warren

By: Yanay Ministry

**WE PROCLAIM THE WORD**

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalms 118:19-29 (Pages 534-35 in your Pew Bible OT)

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 21:1-11 (Pages 21-22 in your pew Bible NT)

SERMON *No Quick Fix* Rev. Martin McGeachy

**WE SEAL THE WORD**

\*BLUE HYMNAL #89 “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

**\*THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and life everlasting. Amen.**

**WE BEAR THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

JOYS AND CONCERNS, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**THE LORD’S PRAYER: 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

THE OFFERING  
OFFERTORY

“The Palms”  
Organ

By: Jean Baptiste Faure

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**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**

**\*BLUE HYMNAL #8**

**“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates”**

**\*BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BENEDICTION

“Hosanna, Hallelujah”  
Sr. Choir

POSTLUDE

“The Holy City”  
Organ

By: Steven Adams

\*Please stand if possible.

**BOLD:** Congregation responds/sings

If you wish to take your infant or toddler out of the sanctuary, you may listen to the service in the large Sunday School room.

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This week's flowers were donated by Warren and Diana Drake Behan in celebration of their 45<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

Please keep in your prayers Jorge, James, an unborn child with challenges, a friend, Mona Reardon, Elizabeth Ojeda, Joe Cipriani, Joan Francis and her family, Miranda Wicker, Stephanie, Sophia & Jim, those who have lost pets, prayers to do well in our jobs, and students on their exams, respect from others, safe travels, happiness, love and healing, good test results, to attract positive energy and positive relationships, and birthday wishes to Lisa.

**The Food Pantry needs your help!** The Food Pantry could especially use donations of complete pancake mix, syrup, mayo, jelly, rice, tuna, coffee, tea, cake mix & frosting, cat food, dog food, soap (bath & dish), paper towels, toilet paper. *Current Food Pantry overstocks: Mac & cheese, Quick oats, toasted oats, canned green beans, chunky peanut butter, turkey gravy.* Donations by cash or check are always welcome. Checks should be made out to Gilead Presbyterian Church with Food Pantry on the memo line. Thank you!

## This Week at Gilead

Today Sunday, April 9 **PALM SUNDAY**

- 9:00 a.m. Senior Choir
- 9:30 a.m. Music Makers (Will sing in Worship)
- Lay Reader: Jose Ojeda
- Ushers: Carol Oehlschlager, Tina Annunziato
- Youth Easter Party, FREE!!! Following Worship
- Kids' Kitchen for April is Easter treats or 2# bag of rice

Monday, April 10

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise

Tuesday, April 11

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Wednesday, April 12

- 6:30 p.m. Senior Bell Chimes
- 7:45 p.m. Senior Choir

Thursday, April 13

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class
- 6:55 p.m. Senior Choir
- 7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, April 14

- 6:00 p.m. Good Friday Dinner
- 7:30 p.m. Worship, SILENT PASSION – Child Care Provided

Saturday, April 15

Sunday, April 16 **EASTER SUNDAY**

**9:00 a.m. Service** Flowering of the Cross

8:30 a.m. Praise Singers

Lay Reader: John Vangor

Ushers: Leslie Palmieri, Cindy McGeachy

**11:00 a.m. Service**

10:05 a.m. Sr. Bell Chimes

10:15 a.m. Sr. Choir

Lay Reader: Mariah Warren

Ushers: **NEEDED**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Saturday, May 6, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.** Gilead Church Community Volunteer Fair  
**May 9-11**, Horizons Bible Study at Stony Point Center

Pastor - Rev. Martin McGeachy  
Music Director - Mary Temple  
Church School Superintendent – Diana Drake Behan  
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