

# Palm Sunday

## April 10, 2022



Rev. Raygan Baker



First Congregational Church of Fresno

United Church of Christ

# WELCOME

Are you a guest with us, or interested in connecting with us?

*Text "New" to 559-425-4050 and fill out the Connect Card.*

Does your infant or toddler need a minute, a change, or a good cry?

**Don't worry, we've (literally) all been there.**

*The service is livestreaming in our Caring Room (Room 1) nearby, where there is space and supplies to help get what your child needs.*

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(\*Congregation may stand | Responses: Liturgist/**Congregation/all**)

**Prelude**

Scott Horton, piano  
John Morrice, violin

**Welcome**

Rev. Raygan Baker

**Scripture**

Luke 19:29-40

Liturgist: Faye Saxton

**\*Procession of Palms**

"Processional" - W. Matthias

**\*Hymn**

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

#216, pew hymnal

**Opening Prayer**

Liturgist: Faye Saxton

***Holy God,***

***Catch us in our frantic hurry and worry away from you and others, and hold us in this Lenten season. Hold our hearts to the beat of your grace and create in us a resting place, a kneeling place, a quiet place where we can listen for your whispered summons and tend to your healing love. Help us to journey during this Lenten season into a new awareness of your presence in our lives. Save us from our own temptations, so that we may more freely follow you. Amen.***

**Choral Anthem**

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" - arr. S. Tucker Chancel Choir  
John Morrice, violin

**Time for Discovery**

**Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still;  
let this be our song — no one stands alone,  
standing side by side. Draw the circle wide.**

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## 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.*

**Scripture Reading**

Luke 19:41-48

Liturgist: Faye Saxton

**Sermon**

**\*Hymn**

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

#190, pew hymnal

**Invitation to Prayer**

**Sung Call to Prayer**

**Lord, listen to your children praying:  
Lord send your Spirit in this place.  
Lord, listen to your children praying:  
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

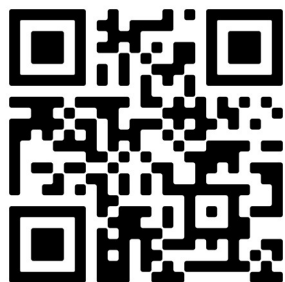
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**Prayers of the Church**

**Invitation to Generosity**

Liturgist: Faye Saxton

*Here at the Big Red Church, everyone counts, and every gift counts!*



- ⇒ *There are two donation boxes and giving envelopes for your gifts in the Narthex (the area where an usher handed you an Order of Worship).*
- ⇒ *You can also give through the Givelify App by scanning the QR code with your smartphone camera.*
- ⇒ *BigRedChurch.org/Giving/ has more instructions, links, and information about giving to the church. Thank you for supporting and joining in the ministry of this church.*

## Offertory Music

"We Praise Your Cross, O Christ"  
-Dufner/Keesecker

Chancel Choir  
Paul Martzen, soloist

### \*Doxology

We give you but your own, what - e'er the gift may be;

All that we have is yours a - lone, we give it grate-ful - ly.

### \*Blessing and Sung Benediction

Go now in peace, never be afraid;  
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true;  
know God will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world will see  
God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.  
**Amen. Amen. Amen.**

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*It is our tradition to be seated for the Postlude.*

**We Journey Into Holy Week**

"Were You There?"

John Morrice, violin

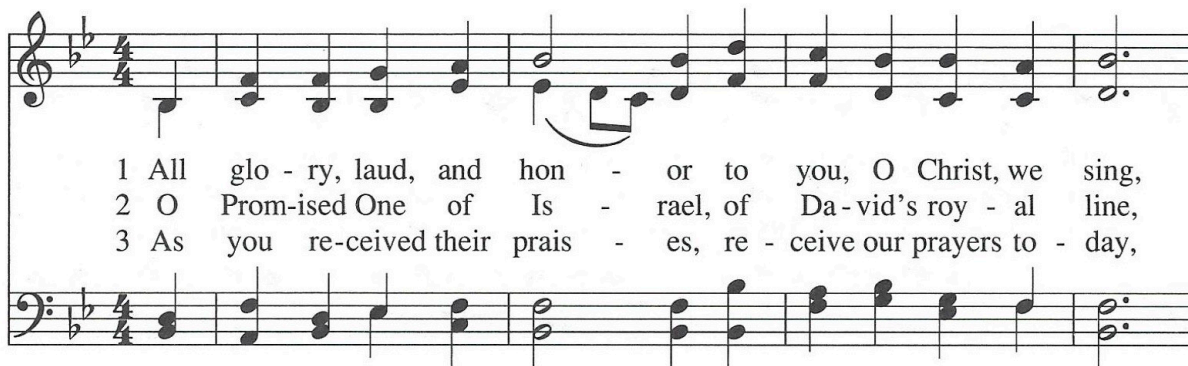


# All Glory, Laud, and Honor

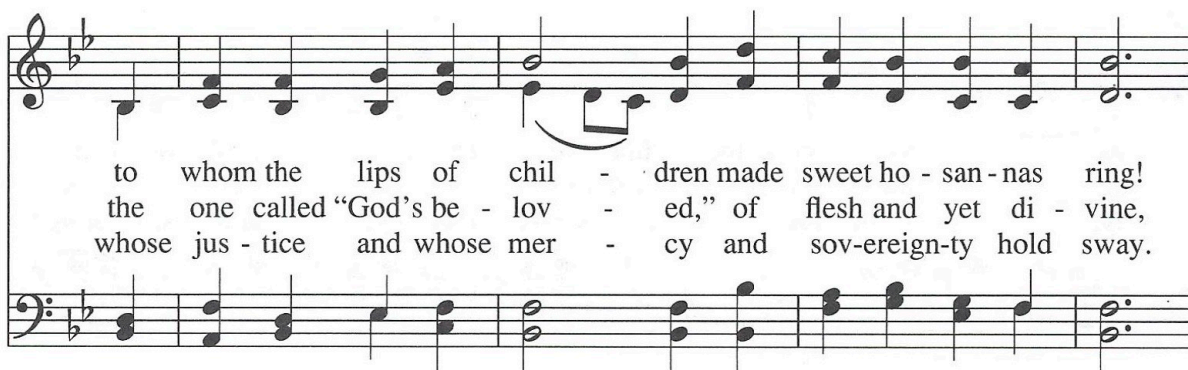
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Theodulph of Orléans, 9th century  
Transl. John Mason Neale, 1854; alt.

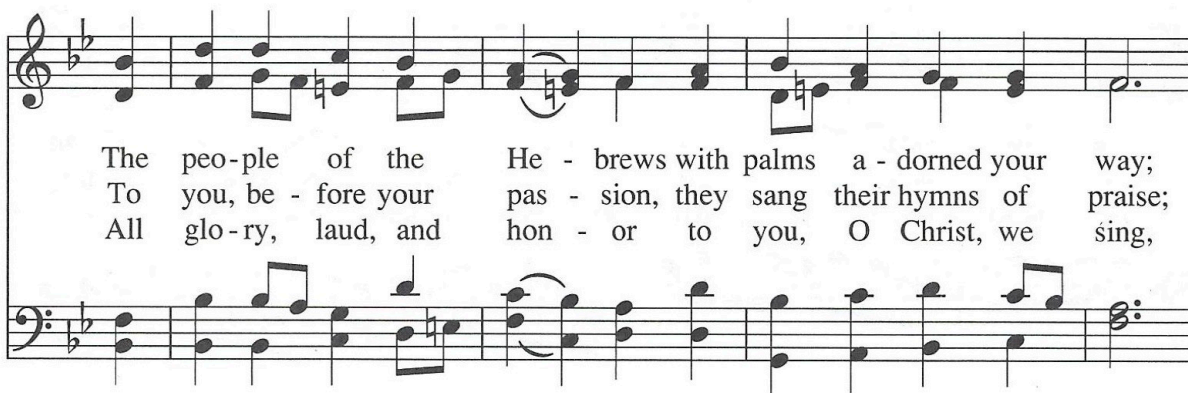
Matt. 21:8-9



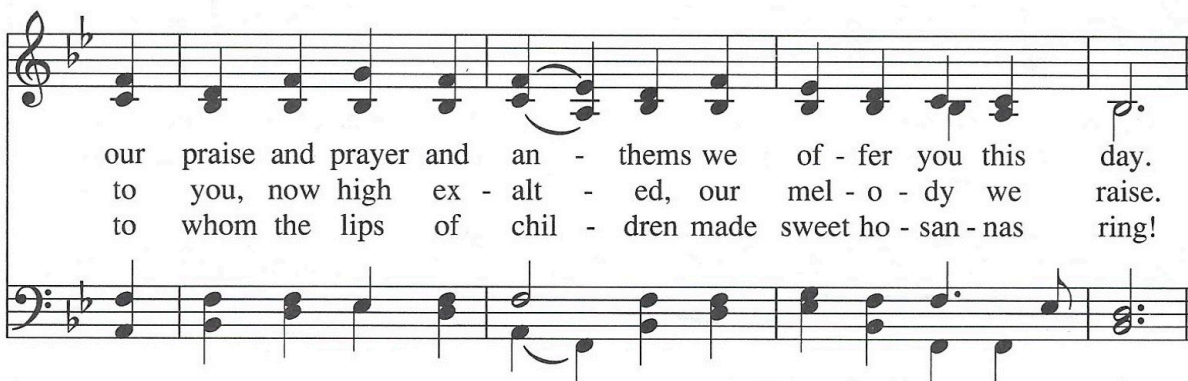
1 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, O Christ, we sing,  
2 O Prom-ised One of Is - rael, of Da - vid's roy - al line,  
3 As you re-ceived their prais - es, re - ceive our prayers to - day,



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!  
the one called "God's be - lov - ed," of flesh and yet di - vine,  
whose jus - tice and whose mer - cy and sov-ereign-ty hold sway.



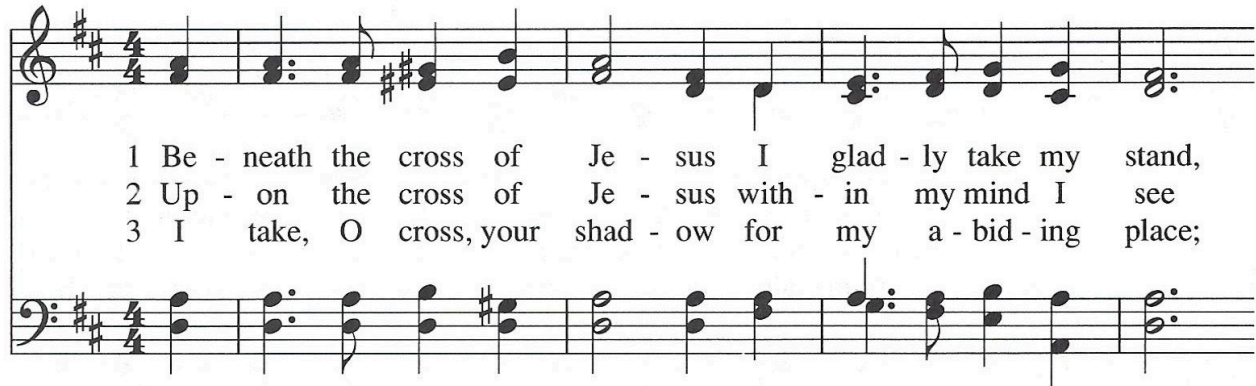
The peo-ple of the He - brews with palms a - dorned your way;  
To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;  
All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, O Christ, we sing,



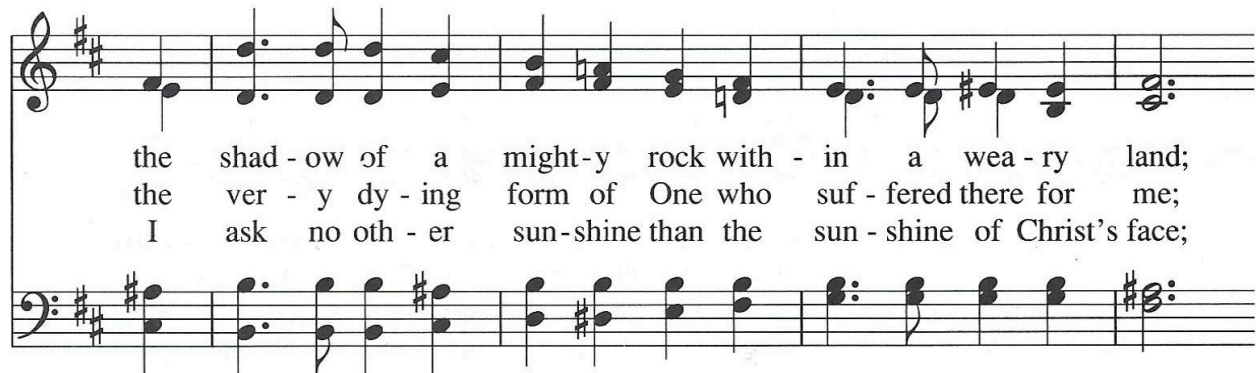
our praise and prayer and an - thems we of - fer you this day.  
to you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.  
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!

Brought to France by Charlemagne, Theodulph became bishop of Orléans but was later imprisoned by Charlemagne's successor. According to legend, he was released when the king, Louis the Pious, heard him sing this hymn from prison.

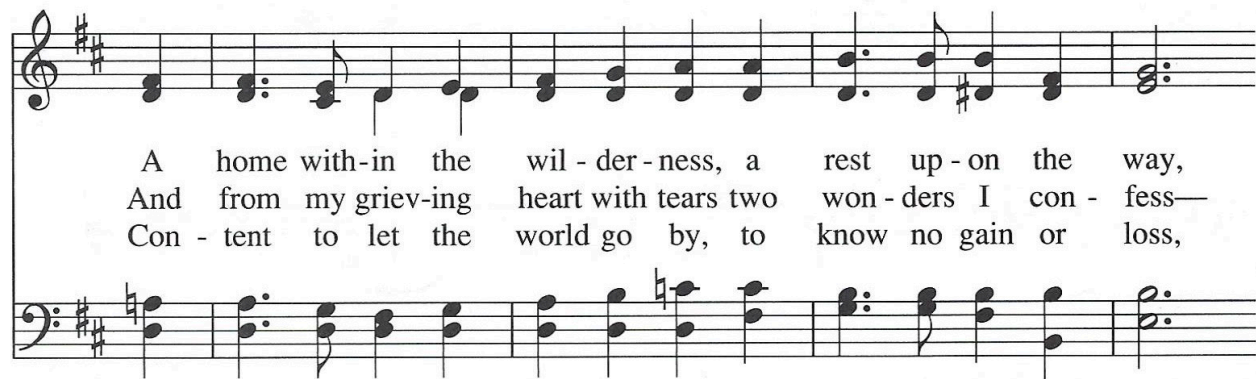
Tune: ST. THEODULPH 7.6.7.6.D.  
(VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN)  
Melchior Teschner, 1615  
For another setting, see 217

*Isa. 32:2; Gal. 6:14**Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1872; alt.*


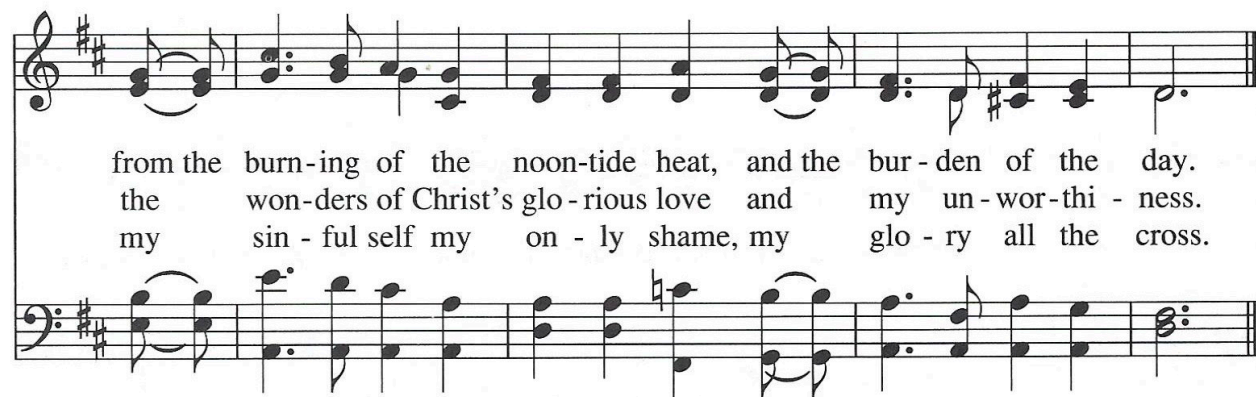
1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I glad - ly take my stand,  
 2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus with - in my mind I see  
 3 I take, O cross, your shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place;



the shad - ow of a might - y rock with - in a wea - ry land;  
 the ver - y dy - ing form of One who suf - fered there for me;  
 I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of Christ's face;



A home with - in the wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,  
 And from my griev - ing heart with tears two won - ders I con - fess—  
 Con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain or loss,



from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat, and the bur - den of the day.  
 the won - ders of Christ's glo - rious love and my un - wor - thi - ness.  
 my sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all the cross.

*Elizabeth Clephane was known during her short lifetime for her charitable work in her hometown of Melrose, Scotland. After her death, this hymn was compiled from several stanzas of a longer poem that had appeared in a popular Scottish religious magazine.*

Tune: ST. CHRISTOPHER 7.6.8.6.8.6.8.6.  
 Frederick C. Maker, 1881

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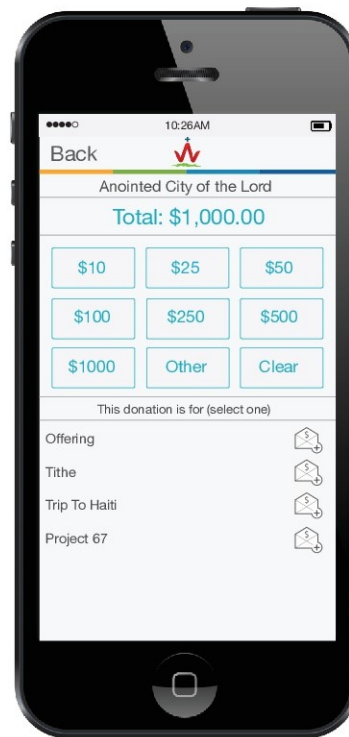
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# **Holy Week**

## **At The Big Red Church**

2131 N. Van Ness Blvd.      [BigRedChurch.org](http://BigRedChurch.org)

### **Palm Sunday, April 10**

Exploration Hour, 9:00am

Children's Palm Procession, 9:45am

Worship, 10:00am

### **Maundy Thursday, April 14**

Tenebrae Service, 7:00pm

### **Good Friday, April 15**

Drop-In Prayer, 11:00am-2:00pm

### **Easter Sunday, April 17**

Sunrise Service, 6:30am

Exploration Hour, 9:00am

Easter Worship, 10:00am

Egg Hunt, 11:00am

### **Flash Mob Hallelujah Chorus on Easter**

Have you ever wanted to sing the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah? We will be singing this masterpiece as the postlude on Easter Sunday! On Easter, all you will have to do is make your way up to the Chancel area, up with the choir during the singing of "Go Now in Peace," and we'll be all set to sing our collective Hallelujah to the Risen Lord!

We will be having a single run-through practice every Sunday following worship until Easter. Music and practice CDs will be provided.

\*Warning - smiles and feelings of joy are side effects.

Please see/contact Scott Horton to get involved or if you have any questions.



## This Week at Big Red

### Monday, April 11

- ♦ **5:00pm:** Yoga (Nursery)

### Tuesday, April 12

- ♦ No Events

### Wednesday, April 13

- ♦ **8:00am:** Bible Study (Zoom)
- ♦ **5:00pm:** Yoga (Nursery)
- ♦ **6:00pm:** Handbell Rehearsal (Music Room)
- ♦ **7:00pm:** Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- ♦ Grapeleaf Submissions Due

### Maundy Thursday, April 14

- ♦ **7:00pm:** Maundy Thursday Service (Sanctuary)

### Good Friday, April 15

- ♦ **11:00am - 2:00pm:** Drop -In Prayer (Minturn Chapel)
- ♦ **5:00pm:** Yoga (Nursery)

### Holy Saturday, April 16

- ♦ No Events

### Easter Sunday, April 17

- ♦ **6:30am:** Sunrise Service (Courtyard)
- ♦ **9:00am:** Exploration Hour (Various)
- ♦ **10:00am:** Worship (Sanctuary)
- ♦ **11:00am:** Egg Hunt (Van Ness Lawn)

## **First Congregational Church of Fresno**

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9:00 am – 3:30 pm

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### **Accountant**

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Brad Jenkins

Erica Holland

### **Assisting in Today's Service**

Liturgist: Faye Saxton

Music Director/ Organist: Scott Horton

Soloist: Paul Martzen

Violin: John Morrice

Ushers: Rich Hoyt, Rebecca Kliewer, Gene Kliewer

Technician: Erica Holland

### **FCCF Open and Affirming Statement**

We believe that all people are sacred creations of a loving God. We affirm the diversity that exists among us. We strive to answer the call of Christ by extending his love, compassion and acceptance to everyone. In this spirit, we open our family of faith to people of every religious background, sexual orientation, family composition, physical and mental ability, race, age and gender.

As Christians, we experience God's reconciling love. In response we stand with those who suffer discrimination, isolation and alienation. We welcome all people to participate fully in our church's life and ministry. We celebrate the variety of talents and perspectives which flow into our spiritual community, continuing to enrich us in ways we could not have predicted or envisioned.