

St. John's at Worship Palm Sunday

Welcome and Announcements *(please pass the fellowship roll)*

Introit "Palm Sunday Fanfare" *Morgan*

Scripture Reading Luke 19:29 – 40 (pg. 83, NT)

*Call to Worship

Leader: On this day of celebration, we wave our palms
and cry out with the whole multitude of the disciples,
"Hosanna! Save us!"

People: Hosanna!
Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!

Leader: We cannot help but shout of the glory of God!
If we did not, then all of creation would!

People: Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!

Leader: Let us sing praises to our king as we worship God!

*Hymn **278** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"
PROCESSION OF THE CHILDREN WITH PALMS

Children's Time Rev. Joyner

Prayer of Invocation and Confession

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Hymn **292, vs. 2** "What Wondrous Love Is This"
*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 lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
To lay aside his crown for my soul.*

At this time Pre-K – 12th grade leave for Sunday School until 10:45.

Scripture Reading Luke 19:41 – 48 (pg. 83, NT) Frank Mercurio

Anthem "This Is the Day to Sing Hosanna" *Choplin*

Scripture Reading Luke 19:11 – 28 (pg. 82, NT)

Sermon A DIFFERENT KIND OF KING Rev. Marshall
At the end of the sermon, there will be a moment of silent reflection and prayer.

*Affirmation of Faith

Philippians 2:5 – 11

**Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself out,
taking on the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.**

**And being found in human form,
he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death –
even death on a cross.**

**Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the Glory of God the Father.**

Ordination, Installation, and Commissioning of Officers, Class of 2021 Presentation of Elders for Ordination/Installation

Libby Dalrymple, Susanne Enghetta, Virginia Holt

Presentation of Deacons for Ordination/Installation

Jeanne Lynam, Marianne McCledden, Gloria Recchi

Constitutional Questions of Ordination/Installation

Prayer of Ordination and Installation

*All those who have previously been ordained as Deacons, Ruling Elders,
or Teaching Elders are invited to come forward for the laying on of
hands.*

Declaration of Ordination/Installation and Charge

Commissioning of Trustees

John Griffin, Bob Miller, John Shaw, Gordon Wright (1-year term)

Recognition of Outgoing Elders, Deacons, and Trustees

Offering (Ushers will also collect blue prayer request cards at the time of the offering.)

Offertory "Chief of Sinners Though I Be, Go to Dark Gethsemane"

*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 (If you need to sit for the prayer, please feel free.)

*Hymn **327, vss. 1, 3, 4** "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

*Benediction

*Postlude "Thee with Tender Care" *Bach*

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music *Iris Blanco-Urgelles*

Greeter *Jim Netter*

Ushers *Nancy Davis, Jim Netter, Libby Dalrymple, Pat Churchill*

Flowers *Given by Nancy Kimmons & John Senior in honor of
our families; grateful for the love of our church family.*

Refreshments *Kelly & Steve Barnes*

Devon Brass *Mark Ator, Jeff Estabrook, Frank Mercurio, Joe Lorini*

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

We are so happy that you have joined us for worship this morning, and we hope that you experience the love of Jesus Christ here with us! If there is anything we can do to help you feel more at home, please feel free to ask one of the ushers located at each of the sanctuary doors. We would love for you to join us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall immediately following worship. Our greeter, Jim Netter, will be available in the back of the sanctuary after worship to answer any questions you might have about St. John's. We are glad that you are here and hope you will worship with us again soon!

EASTER LILIES

Today is the last day we can accept sponsorships for lilies to beautify our sanctuary on Easter Sunday. The cost is \$10 per plant, and it is yours to keep after worship. Pat Marshall will be taking signups in Fellowship Hall at coffee time.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP'S LIFT EVENT – SUNDAY, APRIL 8 (5–7 PM)

We will be making succulent terrariums. You bring a container of your choice and we will provide the succulents and planting materials. There are samples downstairs to help get your creative thoughts going. There will be a \$15 charge for materials, which includes 5 succulents. If you aren't interested in 'the planting,' please join us for the food and fellowship! If you have questions, please email Cindy Kerr or Earline Eck.

CARRIAGE CLUB – MONDAY, APRIL 9 (NOON)

Following lunch, author and St. John's member Michael Zomber will speak to us about his book "Jesus and the Samurai – The Shining Religion and the Samurai." An internationally known authority on Japanese arms and armor and consultant to museums and auction houses throughout America and Europe, Michael examines the history of Japanese Christianity. Childcare will be available with 7 days notice. Reservations, which are greatly appreciated, may be made contacting Virginia Holt.

CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY – SIGN UP NOW!

We will be taking pictures for a new pictorial directory on Saturday, April 14, Tuesday, April 17, and Wednesday, April 18. You may sign up for a time slot by visiting: <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y9ln2930/> or you may contact Lara in the office and she will assist you in selecting a time.

THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR INPUT

Is there an organization you would like us to consider supporting with our mission funds? In addition to financial support, we are also interested in organizations that could involve the members of St. John's in hands-on activities. If you have a suggestion, please send the organization's name, a summary of its program, and any other information you deem pertinent to Christine Markle.

ST. JOHN'S CONCERT SERIES

Our next monthly concert will be **Sunday, April 29 from 5–6 PM**, and will focus on Spanish Composers. These concerts are free of charge and open to the community. Each month's concert focuses on a different theme, style of music, or composer, along with different instruments and vocalists. Please bring a friend and join us for an evening of amazing music!



Follow us on Instagram! @StJohnsDevonYouth
Join our group text! Text "@Sjpcyouth" to 81010
Join our Parents Facebook Group: "St. John's Devon Youth"

The Middle School Youth are creating their new youth room, and we are in need of furnishings! Donations of a coffee table, floor lamps, side tables, or couches/loveseats/recliners are welcome!

Today – Youth Group

We will be filling Easter eggs for the egg hunt and doing our own Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt around the Carriage House!

Middle School youth will gather from 4:00–5:15 PM.

High School youth will gather from 4:45–6 PM.

April 1 – No Youth Group

Enjoy Easter Sunday with your family! We will meet again on April 8.

Holy Week at St. John's

Maundy Thursday (March 29) At 7:00 PM St. John's will celebrate the Lord's Supper at a worship service appropriate for all ages. Childcare will be provided for nursery and toddlers through age 4.

Egg Hunt (Saturday, March 31) St. John's will host a community Easter Egg Hunt for children 5th grade and younger on the Carriage House lawn starting at 10 AM. Children will hear the Easter story, hunt for eggs, and play games. They may bring their Easter basket, or we will provide small bags.

Easter Sunday (April 1) Join us as we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ at 9:30 AM with worship and communion. There will not be Sunday School on Easter, however childcare will be provided for nursery and toddlers through age 4.

WOMEN'S RETREAT – APRIL 27–29

Bringing Hope to a World in Need: Caring for Self, for Others, and for God's Creation.

The women of Central Presbyterian Church in Downingtown invite you to join them at the St. Mary's of Providence Retreat Center in Elverson, PA, for a weekend of worship, quiet reflection, small group conversation, and walking in God's creation. Our Speaker will be Betsy Friend, who has led spiritual retreats for 30 years. For more information, including registration, please contact Ellen Moeller.

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Mar 25	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School Ordination/Installation of New Officers
Mon, Mar 26	10:00 am	Sewing Group (Kean Room)
Wed, Mar 28	9:00 am	Prayer Group (Kean Room)
	7:00 pm	Outreach Meeting (Kean Room)
Thur, Mar 29		Maundy Thursday
	12:15 pm	Cherub Choir Pizza Bingo (Carriage House)
	7:00 pm	Worship & Communion
Fri, Mar 30		-Office Closed for Good Friday-
Sat, March 31	10:00 am	Easter Egg Hunt (Carriage House)
Sun, Apr 1	9:30 am	Easter Sunday! Worship & Communion

Patrick and Ridgley are out of the office on Fridays and Saturdays. Lara is out on Saturdays and Sundays. If you email or call on those days, you may not get a response until they are back in the office. **If you have a pastoral emergency after hours or on a Saturday, you can call 610-764-6436.**



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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

"In Their Eyes"
by Judith Roth

In their eyes, I am a warrior,
and this colt – a massive warhorse.

They watch my fingers, tangled in the mane,
and see a kingly grip on a saving sword.
They watch my lips with expectation
for a sovereign command.

They spread their cloaks in the dust for a savior,
but they don't know what that means.
They sing their praises for my kingdom,
but they point at Jerusalem.

Yes, hosanna, blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord...
But oh –
blind children.

My kingdom is not of this world.

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