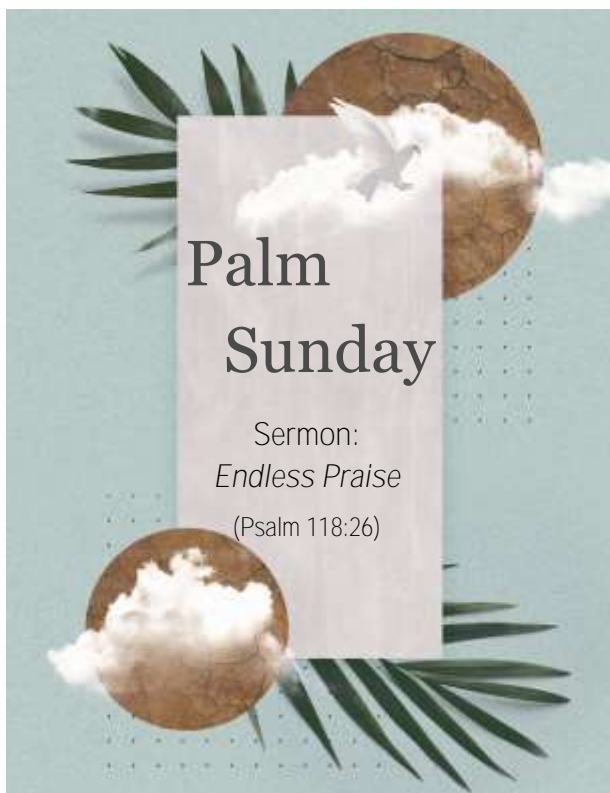


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8:30 A.M. COMMUNION AND PRAYER

Preparation

Prelude

Adoration

Call to Worship

*Hymn

What a Friend We Have In Jesus

1. What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!
2. Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged: Take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!
3. Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge - take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.

Confession

*Call to Confession

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the Good News.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri

Welcome and Announcements

Proclamation

Scripture Reading

Psalm 118:1, 5-7, 19-29

Remarks

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

Endless Praise

***"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!
We bless you from the house of the LORD. (Psalm 118:26)***

Dedication

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayers of the People

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

1. Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found was blind but now I see
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed

Chorus

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

3. The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures
4. The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

*Please stand if able.

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Visitors, Welcome to FPC

First Presbyterian Church of Conroe welcomes you. If you are interested in learning more about our church, or wish to become active in our ministry teams and activities, please visit our website at fpconroe.org and fill out the Visitor form online, or on page 19 of this bulletin. We appreciate you joining us for services today, whether online or in person.

WELCOME

11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Preparation

Opening Music

Adoration

Introit

Great Are You Lord

Call to Worship

*Hymn

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Confession

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Eternal God: in Jesus Christ you entered Jerusalem to die for our sins. We confess we do not hail you as king or go before you in the world with praise. For our faith that fades in trouble, for enthusiasm that fizzles out, for hope we parade but do not pursue, have mercy on us. Forgive us and give us such trust in your power that, in every city, we may tell your loving-kindness.

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*Gloria Patri

Welcome and Announcements

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *What A Beautiful Name*

*Doxology

***Prayer of Dedication and the Lord's Prayer**

*Choral Response

Anthem *10,000 Reasons*

Proclamation

Scripture Reading

Luke 19:28-40

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Children's Time

*Hymn

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Chorus

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

1. O soul are you weary and troubled, no light in the darkness you see
There's light for a look at the Savior and life more abundant and free
2. Through death into life everlasting He passed and we follow Him there
Over us sin no more hath dominion for more than conquerors we are
3. His word shall not fail you He promised, believe Him and all will be well
Then go to a world that is dying His perfect salvation to tell

Scripture Reading

Psalms 118:1, 5-7, 19-29

Sermon

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

Endless Praise

*"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!
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Dedication

*Affirmation of Faith

The Heart of Worship

When the music fades All is stripped away
And I simply come
Longing just to bring Something that's of worth
That will bless your heart
I'll bring you more than a song
For a song in itself Is not what you have required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart

I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about you
It's all about you, Jesus
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it
When it's all about you
It's all about you, Jesus

King of endless worth No one could express
How much you deserve
Though I'm weak and poor All I have is yours
Every single breath
I'll bring you more than a song
For a song in itself Is not what you have required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart

And I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about you
It's all about you, Jesus
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it
When it's all about you
It's all about you, Jesus

I'm coming back to the heart of worship
'Cause it's all about you
It's all about you, Jesus
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3. The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures
4. The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Response

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

*Postlude *Amazing Grace*

*Please stand if able.

This Week's Scripture Readings

Scripture Reading #1 (11:00 only):

Luke 19:28-40

²⁸ And when he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, **“Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’”**

³² So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. ³³ **And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” ³⁴ And they said, “The Lord has need of it.”**

³⁵ And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ As he was drawing near – already on the way down the Mount of Olives – the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, ³⁸ saying, **“Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”**

³⁹ And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” ⁴⁰ He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”

Scripture Reading #2 (8:30 & 11:00):

Psalms 118:1, 5-7, 19-29

¹ Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

⁵ Out of my distress I called on the LORD; the LORD answered me and set me free. ⁶ The LORD is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me? ⁷ The LORD is on my side as my helper; I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. ²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. ²³ This is the LORD's doing; **it is marvelous in our eyes.** ²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

²⁵ Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success!

²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD. ²⁷ The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!

²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you. ²⁹ Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

Notes



Last Week for Easter Lilies

We will have lilies for the Easter Sunday service this year, along with dedications in honor or memory of our loved ones. Forms for dedications are located on page 18 of this bulletin and they can also be found on the Welcome Desk. If you would like to purchase one or more lilies, please fill out the form, attach your \$15 (per lily) and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office. Deadline for lily orders is today.

Easter Sunday Breakfast

As Easter Sunday approaches, please keep in mind that there will be breakfast served after the Sunrise service. We hope you will join us.

Exploring Our Faith Sunday School Class

Exploring Our Faith Sunday School Class begins a new book study today, April 10: *Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi*, by Amy-Jill Levine. The author recovers the sense of provocation and challenge [the parables] would have presented to their first-century audiences.

Thank You From Ruth Masters

Dear Friends at FPC: Thank you for all the beautiful cards, phone calls and most of all, thanks for all your special prayers. The last three months have been quite a journey, made easier with all your loving concern.

Thanks and love in Christ Jesus, Ruth O. Masters

Opportunity for Service

We need several volunteers that are willing to check inventory of the church coffee and related supplies, and then submit a list of items to be reordered to the church office on a weekly basis. This is not a time consuming project. It can be done in about 15 minutes on Sunday morning. A schedule will be made based on volunteer availability. If you are interested in helping or have questions, please contact Audrey Christie-Fellowship at (562) 334-6189 or scottishdawn@hotmail.com.

Youth Auction and BBQ

Mark your calendars! This year's Annual Youth Auction and BBQ Dinner is just around the corner. On April 24th, from 5:00-7:00 p.m., join us for fun, food and friendship in the Family Life Center. Our Youth Praise Band will be providing live music. BBQ dinner includes pulled pork, beans, cole slaw and dessert. To-go orders can be placed with the church office until April 21st and picked up starting at 4:00 p.m. on April 24th. See you then!


Volunteer Sound Techs Needed

Sunday morning help needed. If you would like an opportunity to be more hands on during the worship service, we have just the place for you. After many years of service, Mary and Donna would like to find their replacements for the sound booth. Even if you can only spare one Sunday a month, it would be a great help. No experience is necessary. Contact Dena Sowden for details at (979) 255-2096.

Worship Committee Openings

The Worship Committee has openings for new members. We also welcome any voluntary help with our projects and responsibilities. Any amount of time you could offer would be appreciated and instruction will be provided. Some of our activities are: Ushering, preparing communion, and candle and banner up-keep. Please contact Janet or Chuck Pohla, or the church office, to volunteer.

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Members' Relatives & Friends: Randy S. (Spencer), Barbara B. (Das), James M., Patty M., Enrique E. (Moore), Alfred H. (Harshbarger), Amy S., Jack W. (Cannon), William W. (Weinburger), Freddy G. (Taylor), Lynda H. and Amy D. (Ebanks), Sherry B. (Harrison), Jeffrey H. & Leah H. (Heasley), Deborah R. (Rose), Katie B. (Pohla), Wendy S. (Adamson), Harry S., Jr. (Havens), Tim J. (Staff), Krissy P. & family (Kasmiersky), Judy N. (Dukes), Sherry M. (Garrison), **Mike S., Diane B., Pat S.'s family, Lindsey W., Ruby G., Beverly F. (S. Walker),** Lee H. (Helms), Caleb & Michaela W. (Henderson), Lena & her children (Webb), Gerald H. (Roberts), Tamara B. (Harrison), Leslie M. family and Martha K. (Juhl), Tucker H. (Hudson), Nikkia (Wilmberry), Virginia R. (Smith), Dana K. (Shorts)

Good Things to Know

Attendance

Sunday, April 3rd

8:30 a.m. Prayer and Communion - 18

11:00 a.m. Worship Service - 126

Online Worship Attendance - 35

Total Attendance - 179

Today's Worship Leader

Mark Sowden

Today's Flower

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by Chris Kattner,
in memory of his mother, Judy Rosenauer.

Ministry Leaders

Administration	Jay Swoboda (2022, Chair)
Building & Grounds	Stephan Tibbetts (2022, Chair) David Perciful (2022)
Care-Prayer	Bob Shepherd (2023, Chair)
Discipleship	Mark Sowden (2024, Chair) Jeselyn Graham (2024) Alex Williams (2024)
Fellowship	Audrey Christie (2024, Chair)
Membership	Donna Stewart (2022, Chair) Anna McNamara (2022) Abby Stewart (2022) Dena Sowden (2023)
Missions	Bobby Ezell (2024, Chair)
PDS	Sharon Walker (2022, Chair)
Worship	Chuck and Janet Pohla (2023, Chairs)

Staff and Church Information

Staff

Rev. Dr. David H. Green, Senior Pastor
Dena Sowden, Director of Christian Education
Sharon VanSchuyver, Director of Finance and Communications
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Shirley Dukes, Parish Nurse
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Calendar of Weekly Events

<p style="text-align: center;">Palm Sunday <i>April 10</i></p>	<p>8:30 a.m. Communion and Prayer (Sanctuary)</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Fellowship (Bistro)</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Bereans Sunday School Class with Bob Shepherd (Rm. 105): Paul's letter to the Colossians.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Fellowship class with Cara Wood (Rm. 205 or Zoom Meeting ID: 267 960 141, Password: 337014) <i>Warriors of the Word</i>, by Aaron and Emily House.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Young & U Sunday School Class (young adults and university age students) (Library and Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86497519299?pwd=cktiTmZ5SEM1SWZpNWRLUWhwS1lxQT09 Meeting ID: 864 9751 9299 Passcode: 77304)</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Exploring Our Faith (<i>Rm. 206</i>) <i>Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi</i>, by Amy-Jill Levine.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Wanderers (<i>Parlor</i>) <i>The Answer to Bad Religious Is Not No Religion</i>, by Martin Thielen.</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Fellowship (Narthex)</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe or YouTube.com/fpcConroe)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday <i>April 11</i></p>	<p>1:30 p.m. Monday Afternoon Bible Study (Youth Commons Area)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday <i>April 12</i></p>	<p>7:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Study (Zoom Meeting ID: 844 897 863, Password: 77304)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday <i>April 13</i></p>	<p>9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Mission Sewing (Rm. 105)</p> <p>5:45 p.m. Handbells Practice (Sanctuary)</p> <p>5:45 p.m. The Spark (Gym)</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Small Group Study (Rm. 206)</p> <p>6:00 Wednesday Night Bible Study (Rm. 205 or Zoom Meeting ID: 879 2931 2569, Passcode 77304)</p> <p>7:00-8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice (Sanctuary)</p>

Thursday April 14	Maundy Thursday Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Easter Sunday April 17	<p>8:30 a.m. Communion and Prayer (Sanctuary)</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Fellowship (Bistro)</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Bereans Sunday School Class with Bob Shepherd (Rm. 105): Paul's letter to the Colossians.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Fellowship class with Cara Wood (Rm. 205 or Zoom Meeting ID: 267 960 141, Password: 337014) <i>Warriors of the Word</i>, by Aaron and Emily House.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Young & U Sunday School Class (young adults and university age students) (Library and Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86497519299?pwd=cktiTmZ5SEM1SWZpNWRLUWhwS1lxQT09 Meeting ID: 864 9751 9299 Passcode: 77304))</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Exploring Our Faith (<i>Rm. 206</i>) Studying <i>Stuff That Needs to be Said</i>, by John Pavlovitz.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Wanderers (<i>Parlor</i>) <i>The Answer to Bad Religion Is Not No Religion</i>, by Martin Thielen.</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Fellowship (Narthex)</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe or YouTube.com/fpcConroe)</p>

Save the Date

April 11-14	PDS Book Fair
April 14	Maundy Thursday Service
April 15	Good Friday
April 17	Easter Sunday
April 24	Youth Auction
May 5	National Day of Prayer
May 8	Mother's Day Brunch
May 22-29	Family Promise
May 30	Memorial Day



Easter Lilies

History, mythology, and art are filled with stories and images that speak of the beauty and majesty of these elegant white flowers. One of the most famous Biblical references is in the Sermon on the Mount, when Christ said, "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they toil not, neither do they spin and yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these."

Often called the "White-Robed Apostles of Hope," lilies are said to have been found growing in the Garden of Gethsemane after Christ's agony. At Easter time, churches bank their communion tables and surround their crosses with masses of Easter Lilies, to commemorate the resurrection of Jesus Christ and hope of life everlasting.

To help bring the beauty of the lily to our church this Easter, church members may purchase a lily in memory or in honor of a loved one, a special occasion or relevant event. Simply complete the information below and enclose a check or cash in the amount of \$15 for each lily. Place your form and payment in the collection plate or return to the church office. **All orders should be in by Sunday, April 10th.**

Please print clearly.

Name _____

Number of lilies _____ Amount enclosed _____ Phone # _____

Designation _____

Visitor Form

Thank you for coming! We would love to get to know you.

Please complete this form and drop it in the offertory box at the back of the church. Or, if you would prefer to complete this form online, please visit our website at www.FPCConroe.org.

Member Information

Full Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Birth date (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Spouse's Information

Spouse's First Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Email: _____

Birth date (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Children's Information

Children's Names (Please indicate last name if different):

Full Name: _____ Birth date: _____

Full Name: _____ Birth date: _____

Full Name: _____ Birth date: _____

Full Name: _____ Birth date: _____

Getting Involved in the Life of the Church

(Please check all that apply)

- I would like more information about membership
- I would like information about baptism
- I would like to be contacted by a Stephen Minister
- Contact me about getting involved in the church

Please contact me regarding:

_____ Adult Sunday School

_____ Bible Studies

_____ Children & Nursery

_____ Men's groups

_____ Women's groups

_____ Greeters

_____ Handbells/Choir

_____ Youth choir

Other:

How did you first hear about us? (Please circle one)

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Website

Friend/Family

Other