



VILLAGE CHURCH

Presbyterian (USA)



Service of Worship

April 10, 2022 | 9 and 11 a.m.

About Today's Service

It was quite a parade. People were singing. Others were making sure the young donkey had a green carpet on which to trod. The crowd seemed to grow, as it often does with parades, particularly those that are unscheduled. But when Jesus reaches the city of Jerusalem, the crowds drop away. He enters the city alone. No doubt, he always knew he would have to do this part alone.

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude

Trumpet Tune in F
by Michael Helman; Dr. Elisa Bickers, organ

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Rev. Melanie Hardison

They went out to meet him shouting "Hosanna!"

**They carried palm branches in their hands
and they carried hope in their hearts.**

The King was coming.

He is our King

He is our example.

He is our God.

Like his followers in that first parade,

we also follow singing, "Hosanna in the highest."

*Hymn, No. 196

All Glory, Laud and Honor

The Story of This Day

From Mark 11:1-11

Anthem

Lo, He Comes! (9 a.m.)
by John D. Homan; Children and Youth of Village Church

The Palms (11 a.m.)
by Jean-Baptiste Faure; Karli Cabrera, soprano

*Hymn, No. 197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Call to Prayer (9 a.m.)

Behold the Lamb of God
by John A. Behnke; Village Voices

Prayers of the People and 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.

Sermon

Parade Time

Rev. Tom Are, Jr.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Hymn, No. 792

There Is a Balm in Gilead

Call for the Offering

Anthem

All Glory, Laud and Honor
by Caleb French; Village Choir

*Sung Response

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn, No. 198

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Palms, Praise, and Prayers
by Caleb French

*Postlude

Valet will ich dir geben (All Glory, Laud, and Honor)
arr. David Lasky; Dr. Elisa Bickers, organ

**All who are able may stand*

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Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday – 7 p.m. Mission & Antioch Campuses

Good Friday – 7 p.m. Mission & Antioch Campuses

Easter Sunday – Mission Campus Services at 8, 9:30, 11:15 a.m. and 5 p.m.;
Antioch Campus Service at 9:30 a.m.

Heads, Faces & Spiritual Encounter

Make sure to visit the Mission Campus Welcome Center and Bridge to experience this national traveling art exhibit, made available through Christians in the Visual Arts (CIVA). This exhibit, of more than 40 works, offers a glance at the many facets and mysteries of the human face. It will be on display through April 28. Find more information about the exhibit at villagepres.org/headsfaces.

Walk the "parade" of faces, beginning across from the Village Cup and pausing in front of Bruce Herman's *Coronation* (1991), exhibited on the south wall, above the coat rack. Herman's print shows wildly twisting arms, hands and fingers, evoking the convoluted motives of those who encounter Christ's Passion. We've cheered the arrival of Christ in Jerusalem; yet only a few days later we're lunging out from the dark, blue-gray shadows with a jagged thorn-crown, implanting it on his stately head. We're shouting, "Crucify Him!" instead of "Hosanna!"



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WELCOME TO VILLAGE CHURCH

Village Presbyterian Church is a Presbyterian Church (USA) family of faith that is inclusive and welcoming of all people. We are one church worshipping at two campuses. Our Mission Campus is located at 6641 Mission Road in Prairie Village, and our Antioch Campus is located at 14895 Antioch Road in Overland Park.

The Gathering – Join us for an alternative style of worship 5 p.m. Sundays in Friendship Hall at our Mission Campus. Learn more at vpcthegathering.org.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Sunday Morning Lenten Pastor Conversations – 10:10-10:50 a.m. in Rooms 132-133. This morning, Rev. Tom Are, Jr. and Rev. Melanie Hardison will reflect on life and death—their meanings and roles during Lent.

How to Locate and Organize Files, Folders and Pictures on an Apple Computer – Taught by Dee Couch 1-2:30 p.m. & 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, Room 316. This class will explore how to manage your documents and pictures on an Apple computer. Topics include using proper naming conventions, Finder and Tags to easily find information.

Celtic Spirituality: Listening for the Heartbeat of God – Taught by Rev. Glenda Watts 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, April 20-May 11, Room 127. Celtic spirituality focuses on one's passion for God coming from the heart and soul. We will explore how Celtic spirituality is lived today and will engage in particular spiritual practices as we "listen for the heartbeat of God."

Using Mail Merge to Create Form Letters – Taught by Dee Couch 1-2:30 p.m. & 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, Room 316. This class explores how to easily create form letters by using a simple spreadsheet of names and addresses. A sample spreadsheet is available for use in the class.

Creating a Meaningful Purpose-Driven Generosity Plan – Led by Alison Patterson and Bob Sperry 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, Room 126. We'll learn techniques and receive tools to create a thoughtful plan that connects to our values and brings more meaning and joy to our generosity. Our goal is to give you the tools to have a written plan that you can share with your family and advisors.

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY

First-Floor Child Care Available – Child care is available during 9 a.m. & 5 p.m. services. Infants to 4-year-olds in Rooms 114, 111 and/or 106. **Preschool Lighthouse** – Ages 2-4 – Preschool and Pre-K ages meet on the first floor. Registration and sign-ins are located outside Room 106.

Elementary Lighthouse – K-6th Grade – Elementary ages meet on the third floor. Registration and sign-ins are located outside Room 307. No Lighthouse on Easter Sunday. Children are encouraged to worship with their families.

CONNECTIONAL MINISTRIES

Curbside Pickup Wednesday Family Meals – Order meals by noon Mondays at villagepres.org/wednesday-family-meals. The cost is \$5 a meal. Curbside pickup is at the Mission Campus north entrance between 4:30 & 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION

Electric Car Expo – 4:30-7 p.m. Wednesday, April 20, Mission Campus south parking lot. Join local electric car enthusiasts as they display their all-electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles and answer questions. Contact Bill Roush with questions at billroush@gmail.com.

MISSION

One Great Hour – On Palm Sunday, Village Church collects for One Great Hour of Sharing. Offering gifts are distributed to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (32%) to rebuild communities after natural- and human-caused disasters, Self-Development of People (32%) to provide resources to disadvantaged communities working to overcome poverty and Presbyterian Hunger Program (36%) to support initiatives that create sustainable food systems. Make checks out to Village Presbyterian Church and note “One Great Hour” in the memo.

The Food Pantry is asking for main-dish items, the kinds that are easy to prepare—cold or warm: ravioli, tuna, beef stew, Spam, canned chicken, SpaghettiOs, etc. The Clothes Closet is requesting bed and bathroom linens: sheets and pillowcases, towels, washcloths, etc.

Help tend our community garden during the growing season beginning in May. All produce will be donated to the Food Pantry for our pantry clients. Sign up to volunteer at bit.ly/villagegarden. Contact Deborah White at 913-671-2369 or deborah.white@villagepres.org.

MUSIC

2nd Thursday Recital with the KC Baroque Consortium April 14 – Monty Carter, violin, Trilla Ray-Carter, cello, and Nicholas Good, harpsichord, will play selections by Bach, Corelli, Tartini and more. This free 30-minute recital begins at 12:15 p.m. in the Mission Campus Sanctuary.

Children's Musical “The Tale of the Three Trees” – 10 a.m. Sunday, April 24, Mission Campus Sanctuary. This is a beautiful story of three trees that have ambitions of fame and glory. They learn that even though life doesn't turn out exactly as they hoped, their new paths bring them to places in history even grander than they could have ever imagined.

Bach Aria Soloists Present “An Evening with Rodney Marsalis” – 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 29, Mission Campus Sanctuary. This concert presents famed trumpeter Rodney Marsalis from the legendary Marsalis family for a special Kansas City collaboration. Village Church folks receive a 20% discount off the ticket price. Go to bachariasoloists.com and use the promotional code “VP20” when you purchase your tickets.

PASTORAL CARE & COUNSELING

You Can Still Make an Easter Lily Donation – Donations are accepted up through Easter Sunday so please consider making a \$15 donation in memory of your loved one. Your lily donation honors that person and brightens a homebound member's life. Purchase online at shop.villagepres.org/pastoral-care-counseling or send the printed name(s) with a check for \$15 per person to Janice Gill, Village Presbyterian Church, 6641 Mission Rd., Prairie Village, KS 66208.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Join us for any of our weekly activities – All activities below meet in the Youth Loft (Room 333)

Sunday Series (7-12th grades) – No meeting today. **SNL** (HS youth group) – Sundays 6:30-8:30 p.m. **Lofternoons** (MS after school program) – Tuesdays 4-5:30 p.m. **GPS** (MS youth group) – Wednesdays 6:30-8 p.m. **Early Table** (HS morning devotional) – 7:30-8:15 a.m.

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

April 24 Rev. Melanie Hardison preaching

May 1 Rev. Sally S. Wright preaching

I Have a Question . . .

Life raises questions. Sometimes it raises questions that require a response from our faith. The teaching of the faith raises questions as well. Sometimes it requires that we ponder how the faith relates to the demands of ordinary life. Every Sunday, we bring such questions to worship. Each Sunday from May 8-July 10, the sermons will speak to many of the questions you have raised. Does prayer work? Can we love our enemies? Why do bad things happen to good people? How do we deal with all the divisions in our world?

It is hoped that these messages will spur your own thinking about how you respond to questions such as these.

May 8 What are the Four Things? (What Do We Tell Our Children?)

May 15 Should We Be Talking About This In Church? (The Politics of Jesus)

May 22 Innocent Suffering: I Have No Answers, but I Do Have Responses

May 29 Love Will Win

MINISTERS

All members of the congregation

MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Tom Are, Jr., senior pastor • Dr. Elisa Bickers, principal organist

Will Breytspraak, director of music • Brooke Brundige, director of children and family ministry

Laura Davis, director of marketing and communications

Nancy Gatewood, interim director of connectional ministries

Rev. Melanie Hardison, pastor of pastoral care • Rev. Hallie Hottle, pastor of young adult ministry

Sandra Stephens, director of child care • Dr. Joshua Maize, associate director of music

Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka, senior associate pastor • Robert Rumold, director of information technology

Bob Sperry, director of giving and endowment • Jim Tilden, senior director of business operations

Rev. Zach Walker, pastor of youth ministries • Deborah White, director of mission

Rev. Sally S. Wright, pastor of pastoral care • Rev. Dr. Robert H. Meneilly, founding pastor, 1947-1994

Large print bulletins are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher to bring you one.

Streaming video of Sunday services is available at villagepres.org/online.

You may call in to listen to a week-delayed broadcast of our Sanctuary service on our worship service phone line: 913-203-1301. You can opt-in to be called automatically at 9:30 a.m. Sundays.

We kindly request that cell phones be turned off during worship

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