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WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30 am Traditional

First United Methodist Church

where God meets people face to face!
April 13, 2025 – 10:30 A.M.
Palm Sunday

**We hope that through the songs, prayers, message, and fellowship,
you experience the Mystery of God that passes our human understanding.**

**For your children, a basket with activities is available in the foyer.
Child care is available during the service, following the Children's Moment.*

(Stand, if able.)*

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS

CHILDREN'S ENTRANCE WITH THE PALMS

*HYMN	"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" <i>(verses 1 – 3)</i>	UMH # 278
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***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Respond in bold.)*

Liturgist: Jesus rides into Jerusalem.

People: Hosanna!

L: Branches are waved, people shout!

P: Hosanna!

L: Hopes and dreams are running along with the parade!

P: Hosanna!

L: Shout and sing for joy! The Lord comes and saves!

**P: Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name
of the Lord. AMEN.**

*HYMN	"The Old Rugged Cross" <i>(verses 1 and 2)</i>	UMH # 504
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***OPENING PRAYER** *(In unison)*

**With great joy we welcome you, Lord Jesus! We have come to the time
of entrance into the Holy City. We want everything to be wonderful;
for you to conquer all those things that threaten us and our peace.
Lord, forgive us, when we place our fears and ignorance before your
love. Release us from our panic and mistrust and help us to place our
lives solely in your hands. Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in
the Lord's Name. AMEN.**

***SHARING GREETINGS** *(Please shake hands with someone you don't know.)*

HOLY BAPTISM

Finleigh Peach Way

Parents: Katherine and Michael Way

Grandparents: Betsy and Karl Hime

Sponsors: Hailey and Nicholas Vorauer

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

UMH # 35

With God's help, we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround Finleigh with a community of love and forgiveness, that she may grow in her trust of God, and be found faithful in her service to others. We will pray for her, that she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION

Betsy Hime

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

UMH # 38

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Yohan Baek

*(Our prayer rises to heaven, to the mystery of God's power,
as the smoke ascends when the precious incense burns.)*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

"Sing Out Hosanna to the Lord!"

Choir

***DOXOLOGY**

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH # 95

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 1: 20-24

Liturgist

“For I fully expect and hope that I will never be ashamed, but that I will continue to be bold for Christ, as I have been in the past. And I trust that my life will bring honor to Christ, whether I live or die. For to me, living means living for Christ, and dying is even better. But if I live, I can do more fruitful work for Christ. So I really don’t know which is better. I’m torn between two desires: I long to go and be with Christ, which would be far better for me. But for your sakes, it is better that I continue to live.”

***HYMN**

“We Are the Church”
(verses 1 and 4)

UMH # 558

MESSAGE

“Christ is the Center of the Church!”

Rev. Yohan Baek

SERMON NOTES:

Note 1: The church should be built around Jesus Christ.
Jesus Christ is the savior of the church.
And he is the same yesterday, today and forever.

Note 2: John 14: 16-17

“And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— the Spirit of truth.”

Note 3: A Prayer written by Margaret Cropper in the 19th century.

“Now, into the keeping of God, I put
all doings of today,
all disappointments, hindrances, forgotten things, negligences,
all gladness and beauty, love, delight, achievement,
all that people have done for me,
all that I have done for them, my work, and my prayers.
And I commit all the people whom I love
to his shepherding,
to his healing and restoring,
to his calling and making;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”

***SENDING HYMN**

“Up from the Grave He Arose”
(verses 1 and 3)

UMH # 322

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Yohan Baek

***POSTLUDE**

UMH (United Methodist Hymnal – red hymnal)