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The Setauket Presbyterian Church

“As active disciples of Jesus Christ, we celebrate and share the love of God among ourselves and with others.”

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

Palm/Passion Sunday

April 13, 2014

9:30 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Silent Meditation

*We use this time to make the transition between “getting here” and “being here”.
Take these few minutes to find the still, deep places within you, where God’s Spirit dwells.
Feel the spirit of the community.*

Prelude *Valet will ich dir geben*

Melchior Teschner

Ringing of the Steeple Bell

Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign the Friendship Rosters found at the end of the pew, noting the name of fellow worshippers when it is returned.)

* Call to Worship: The Bible Story of Palm Sunday with Blessing of the Palms

On this day our Lord Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem.

The people rejoiced and shouted that he was their king, as they waved their palm branches and spread their cloaks along his way.

**On this day the earthly fate of Jesus was sealed,
and his followers knew nothing of it.**

Let these palms be for us reminders of his Passion and his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our Lord, and follow him in the Way of the Cross, the Way of eternal life, for we pray in his strong name.

AMEN.

Hosanna to the Son of David!

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the Highest!

Introit *Ride On, King Jesus!*

Roger Wesby, arr.; D.S. King, editor

* **Processional Hymn 88** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

WITH THE CHILDREN AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

CHILDREN’S CHOIR ANTHEM

He Was A Rebel

Avery & Marsh

(after their anthem, Kindergarten through 6th Grade should proceed to the Fellowship Hall.

Preschool can proceed to the Preschool Room for Childcare.)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of righteousness, we would rather sing hosannas with a cheering crowd than stand up for our convictions in the face of an angry mob. We would rather dine at your table with those we call friends than admit we are no different from those we consider enemies. We would rather view ourselves as your champions than admit how easily we might betray you with a kiss. Forgive our fickle faith and strengthen our resolve to be your disciples, through Jesus Christ our Lord... (silent prayer)

Kyrie (traditional Russian Orthodox; translation: "Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy")

1 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.
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Assurance of God's Grace

...Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

HEARING THE WORD

Sung Prayer for Illumination

Hymn 329 *Break Thou the Bread of Life* (verse 1)

BREAD OF LIFE

***Break Thou the Bread of Life, dear Lord, to me;
as Thou didst break the loaves beside the sea;
Beyond the sacred page, I seek Thee, Lord;
my spirit pants for Thee, O Living Word!***

First Reading Hosea 6:1-7

* **Hymn 176** (Psalm 24) *The Earth and All That Dwell Therein*

CAITHNESS

Second Reading John 12:12-19

THE SERMON *No Turning Back*

The Rev. Mary Barrett Speers

(Silent Reflection)

* **HYMN 76** *My Song Is Love Unknown*

LOVE UNKNOWN

MINUTE FOR MISSION

One Great Hour of Sharing

THANKING GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

John Carter

* **Song after the Offering**

Hymn 428 v. 1

***We give Thee but Thine own, what e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone: a trust, O Lord, from Thee.***

* **Offertory Prayer**

Loving God, we dedicate these gifts as an expression of our trust in you. You alone know our hearts, and you more than any human being love us. May this act of giving draw us closer to you, and spread a table of bounty before all who come closer to you through our sharing, in Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* Today we give special thanks for Karl and Tori Nelson, who are moving to Philadelphia.
(*the Nelsons take their places at the front of the Sanctuary*)

Tori and Karl...God has blessed you,
and made you a blessing to us, in our life together.

**You have deepened our joy
And lightened our sorrow.
We shall miss your love and support,
Yet we rejoice that now you will bless others
As you have blessed us.**

Let us pray:

**Faithful God,
Keep, preserve, and protect Tori and Karl all their days.
By the power of your Holy Spirit,
Encourage them on the Way of Christ.
Lead them to new ministries,
Secure in the faith that we all share in the Body of Christ.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

Amen.

The prayers of intercession continue, using the following responsory formula:
God of mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

* **HYMN 371** *Lift High the Cross*

CRUCIFER

* **CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION and BENECTION**

CHORAL RESPONSE *Give Us Peace*

Mark Orton 3

POSTLUDE *Toccata in C*

Johann Jakob Froberger

please rise in body or in spirit; **unison prayers are in bold.*

Large print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals and listening devices are available; please ask a Deacon.

NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 20 - EASTER SUNDAY

6:30 Sunrise Service

9:30 Worship Service with the Rev. Mary Speers preaching; Childcare (ages 1-5)

11:00 Worship Service with the Rev. Mary Speers preaching; No Childcare
