



**THE PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH OF DANVILLE**

**Palm Sunday**

**March 29, 2025**

**10:00am**



*The Entry into Jerusalem* John August Swanson, 1990

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## GATHERING

Opening Voluntary

*Hosanna*

Christian Gregor/arr. Betty Garee  
Handbell Choir and Organ

Welcome and Announcements

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Minute for Mission

*One Great Hour of Sharing*

Scott Johnson

The **Opening Sentences** are taken from Psalm 118.

◆ Opening Sentences

O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good;  
**God's steadfast love endures forever!**

This is the day that the LORD has made;  
**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.  
**We bless you from the house of the LORD.**

O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good,  
**for God's steadfast love endures forever.**  
**Come, let us worship the LORD!**

◆ Hymn No. 197

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

ELLACOMBE

Extinguishing of the Lenten candle

Assurance of Pardon

Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you are always faithful, even when we betray you.  
**Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you claim us as your own, even when we deny you.  
**Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you reach out to us in love, even when we reject and despise you.  
**Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you pour out your grace for us, even when we offer you sour wine.  
**Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
as we draw ever nearer to the cross, we pray you forgive us.  
**Forgive us for all the ways we fail to love you and one another.**  
**Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Amen.**

(time for silent prayer)

The liturgy for extinguishing the candle comes from the Godly Play story, *The Mystery of Easter*.

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◆ Please rise in body or spirit.

Join in reading or singing the parts of the service printed in **bold**.

◆ Sung Response No. 551 *Lord, Have Mercy* LAND OF REST Sing together twice.  
 Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy;  
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

◆ The Peace  
 The Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

**WORD**

Time with Young Disciples Amy Wilson

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter Reading Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 O. T., Pew Bible, p. 565

Anthem *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* arr. Gilbert M. Martin  
 Sanctuary Choir

*When I survey the wondrous cross  
 On which the Prince of glory died,  
 My richest gain I count but loss,  
 And pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
 Save in the death of Christ, my God!  
 All the vain things that charm me most,  
 I sacrifice them to his blood.*

*See, from his head, his hands, his feet,  
 Sorrow and love flow mingled down!  
 Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
 Or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
 That were a present far too small;  
 Love, so amazing, so divine,  
 Demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen!*

Gospel Reading Matthew 21:1-11 N. T., Pew Bible, p. 23

Sermon Sean Gladding

**RESPONDING**

◆ Hymn No. 346 *For the Healing of the Nations* ST. THOMAS (Wade)

◆ Affirmation of Faith  
 We trust in God, the source of all hope,  
 even as we call on God to meet us in places of hopelessness.  
 We commit to be disciples of Christ Jesus,  
 who, though he was in the form of God,  
 did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,  
 but emptied himself and was born in human likeness.  
 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. Amen.

Passing the peace is a tradition rooted in Scripture that embodies our identity as peacemakers and trains our hearts, hands, and tongues in the ways of peace. It is not an interruption of the service for social conversation but an integral part of the service where we greet one another as reconciled people.

The **Affirmation of Faith** is based on Philippians 2:5-11.

Celebrations and Prayer Requests

Prayers of the People

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.

To give electronically, text "PRESBYDAN" to 73256. Please sign the Friendship Pad during the Musical Offering.

Invitation to Offering

Musical Offering

*Ride On, King Jesus*

arr. Sharon Elery Rogers  
Handbell Choir

Sing together twice.

◆ Doxology No. 544

*Bless the Lord*

BLESS THE LORD

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.  
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

◆ Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

SENDING

◆ Hymn No.196

*All Glory, Laud and Honor*

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

◆ Charge and Sung Benediction

*Sending Song*

Bryan Moyer Suderman  
Sean Gladding, Leader

(D Major: Capo 3:)

As you go out from here, may the Lord go with you, the  
face of God shine on you ev-'ry day. We are sent by God wher-  
e-ver we are liv-ing: salt and light as peo-ple of the Way.

Chords: D, F, D/F#, G/Bb, D, D/F#, F/A, G/Bb, A/C, D, D/F#, F/A, G/Bb, D, em/gm, D, A/C, D, F

Closing Voluntary

*The Royal Banners Forward Go (Vexilla Regis)*

Johann Pachelbel

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Leading worship:

Preacher ..... Sean Gladding  
 Liturgist..... Kathy Miles and Mary Trollinger  
 Lenten Candle..... Mark and Casey Tibbles  
 Musicians..... The Sanctuary and Handbell Choirs, Susan Shewmaker and Jeff Wilson  
 Time with Young Disciples ..... Amy Wilson

Assisting with worship:

Lead Ushers.....Randy Gilbert and Julia Gerwe  
 Acolyte .....MaryRives McCrosky  
 Bible Bearer ..... Cora Kuchenbrod  
 Livestream..... Wesley Purdom and Michael Wilson  
 Sound ..... Beau Weston

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# WELCOME

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**WELCOME VISITORS:** We are glad you found your way to The Presbyterian Church of Danville. For information about opportunities to worship, learn, and serve with us, we encourage you to check out our website at [presbydan.org](http://presbydan.org) and Facebook page at [presbydan](https://www.facebook.com/presbydan). If you would like to receive our weekly e-newsletter, please email [church@presbydan.org](mailto:church@presbydan.org). If you are interested in becoming a member of our congregation, please speak to Sean Gladding.

**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:** We welcome your children in worship. Children's activity bags are located in the front and back of the Sanctuary, and we welcome children to participate in worship by processing the Bible, lighting the Christ candle, helping with the offering, and bringing communion elements forward.

**FRIENDSHIP PADS:** Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad (located at the end of the pew near the aisle) to your neighbors, both to register your attendance with us today and as a means of learning (or remembering) the names of those with whom you are worshipping.

**HEARING DEVICES, LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND BIBLES** are available on the table in the back of the Sanctuary and on the table in the connector. An usher will be glad to assist you.

**PRAYER CARDS:** The lavender-colored cards for prayer requests are in each pew rack. Please place your requests in the offering plate, and our prayer ministry team will offer prayers for your requests.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY:** We are a Stephen Ministry church. Stephen Ministers are trained members of the congregation who are ready to provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care needed to make it through difficult times. If you, or someone you know, needs a Stephen Minister, please contact:

- Alice Davis, Stephen Ministry care referral coordinator - (859) 583-5995, or
- Sean Gladding, Pastor - (859) 806-7763

**THE LEGACY FUND:** The Legacy Fund is a secure endowment fund which has been set up to allow all members of the congregation to support The Presbyterian Church of Danville for generations to come. If you are interested in more information, contact Don Porter at [dwporter2@bellsouth.net](mailto:dwporter2@bellsouth.net) or (859) 324-5020.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**EASTER BRUNCH:** Easter Sunday is next week, and the Deacons need your help with Brunch! The Easter Brunch will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am on Easter Morning, before the 11:00am service. Many of us look forward to the meal, when we get to spend time together and share dishes such as breakfast casseroles or quiches, fresh fruit and pastries. If you are able to contribute any of these things, please sign up **TODAY** on the pink sign-up sheet located on the table at the back of Fellowship Hall.

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING GIFT:** This annual gift will be collected today and on Easter Sunday. If you would like to contribute, please mark the memo line of your check “special offering” or use one of the envelopes provided.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP:** We will **NOT** have Wednesday Night Fellowship this week since it is Holy Week.

**SUMMER CAMP AT BURNAMWOOD:** Registration for summer camp at Burnamwood is open! There will be a 3rd-5th grade camp June 8-10, middle school camp June 10-13, and high school camp June 15-20. Register on the website at [burnamwood.net/programs/summer-camp/](http://burnamwood.net/programs/summer-camp/). Scholarship money is available through the Youth Legacy Fund. Pick up a scholarship application in the Fellowship Hall. Forms are due back to Amy Wilson by Sunday, April 26.

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# THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

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## Sunday, March 29

### Palm Sunday

- 9:00am Confirmation Class
- 10:00am Service for the Lord's Day
- 11:00am Fellowship
- 11:15am Called Session Meeting in the Library
- 5:30pm DYC at the Voss Home

## Monday, March 30

- 8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 10:00am AA Meeting
- 4:00pm Monday Prayer Group
- 7:00pm Stephen Ministry Meeting

## Tuesday, March 31

- 8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/Ged
- 10:00am Recovery Café
- 6:00pm Recovery Meeting

## Wednesday, April 1

- 7:15am DYC HS Devo at Dry Stack
- 8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 10:00am AA Meeting
- 10:30am Staff Meeting
- 1:30pm Worship Staff Meeting
- 1:30pm Grace Café Snack Bag Prep
- 3:30pm Beginners Dulcimer Class
- 6:00pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, April 2

- 8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 10:30am Bible Study with Jim Erwin
- 2:00pm Southwind Group
- 5:30pm Danville Dulcimers
- 5:30pm Maundy Thursday Dinner
- 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Service

## Friday, April 3

- 9:00am Adult Ed/Ged
- 10:00am AA Meeting
- 1:00pm Presbydan Mah Jongg
- 7:00pm Good Friday Service

## Saturday, April 4

No Events Scheduled

## Sunday, April 5

### Easter Sunday

- 9:30am Easter Brunch
- 11:00am Service for the Lord's Day with Holy Communion
- 12:15pm Easter Egg Hunt

## SESSION

Moderator: Matt Falco

Clerk: Spencer Young

Clerk Emerita: Jean Harney

### CLASS OF 2027

Becky Gash, Randy Gilbert, Scott Johnson and Tara Strauch

### CLASS OF 2028

Candace Purdom, Scott Scutchfield, Shane Wilson and Spencer Young

### CLASS OF 2029

John Goggin, Fran Halloran, Nina Kirkland and Susan Shewmaker

## DIACONATE

Moderators: Brad Fulfer and Shan Kihlman

Communicator: Claire Johnson

### CLASS of 2027

Brad Fulfer, Carrie Gilbert, Shan Kihlman and AnnYager M<sup>c</sup>Crosky

### CLASS of 2028

Jim Boyd, Paula Frisby, Claire Johnson and Bo Smith

### CLASS of 2029

Miranda Bullock-Davidson, Elspeth Cobb, Julia Gerwe-Nicholson and Mark Tibbles