



White Oak

ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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White Oak ARP Church Worship Guide

The 6th Sunday in Lent – *Palm Sunday*
April 5, 2020

MEDITATION

Psalm 118:19–26

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Bob Abernathy, Kari Hurst,
Robin Sewell, and Todd Weaver

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 24

The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, for He has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in His holy place?

He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation. Such is the generation of those who seek Him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. Selah

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory! Selah

† THE INVOCATION

THE LORDS PRAYER (UNISON)

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.

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES CREED

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

41. Q. Why was our Mediator called Jesus?

41. A. Our Mediator was called Jesus, because He saves His people from their sins.

42. Q. Why was our Mediator called Christ?

42. A. Our Mediator was called Christ, because He was anointed with the Holy Spirit above measure; and so set apart, and fully furnished with all authority and ability, to execute the offices of prophet, priest, and king of His church, in the estate both of His humiliation and exaltation.

THE READING OF THE GOSPEL

Matthew 21:1-17

Todd Weaver

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Bob Abernathy

Father God, we praise you for keeping your covenant promise to send Jesus the Savior, our Redeemer, into the world. We have no hope of salvation apart from Him. Your Word tells us that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. We know that means us, not just other folk involved in obvious evils everyone knows about. Forgive us, we pray, for our many sins in thought, word, and deed! We deserve your wrath and condemnation. Yet we rejoice that our Substitute bore the penalty for our sin in our place. Give us grace that we might henceforth live to please and praise Him, turning from sin, and being filled with the Holy Spirit. In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen. .

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND COMFORT

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.

1 Timothy 1:15

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Hosanna! Sing Praises!"

Bob Abernathy, Kari Hurst,
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SCRIPTURE

Zechariah 9:9-17

SERMON

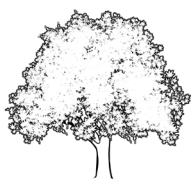
"Your King (Has) Come to You"

Rev. John Cook

PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26 ESV



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Palm Sunday Quotes:

"Jesus cannot simply be liked, you either kill Him or crown Him in your life.

- Tim Keller

Corrie ten Boom was once asked if it were difficult for her to remain humble. Her reply was simple. "When Jesus rode into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday on the back of a donkey, and everyone was waving palm branches and throwing garments onto the road, and singing praises, do you think that for one moment it ever entered the head of that donkey that any of that was for him?" She continued, "If I can be the donkey on which Jesus Christ rides in His glory, I give Him all the praise and all the honor."

- Mark Schaeufele in A Messiah Who Serves

If Jesus knew that a donkey was waiting for Him in the next town, He certainly knows what's down the road for you. You may not know how that medical test is going to turn out but Jesus does. Nor may you know whether or not there will be any decent jobs for you when you get done with your education, but Jesus already has in mind how He plans to provide for you. Understanding that Jesus knows all things gives us confidence to follow His directions. Though Satan would have us believe otherwise, living by Jesus' words will never send you on a fool's errand.

- Daniel Habban in Ponder the Palm Sunday Paradox

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

GIVING



Thank you all for your continued faithful giving during this challenging time! Many of our expenses stay constant even though we are not meeting face-to-face each week.

You may mail your check to the Church at 2796 Gordon Road, Senoia, GA 30276, you may go to our church website for online giving (www.whiteoakarp.org), or you may drop it by the church on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

MISSIONARY UPDATES

From Third Mil Ministries: New Language: Kiswahili

We have published Thirdmill curriculum in three new languages in recent months: Thai, Czech, and now Kiswahili. With gratitude to God, and to Bishop Kitula and the translation team in Tanzania, we announce with joy the first lesson series, The Gospels, is available online in Kiswahili. You can also follow our new Facebook page in Kiswahili that will post lessons as they become available.

From World Witness: Why Pakistan?

Pakistan, the world's 6th largest nation, is a beautiful, hospitable and often misunderstood nation. It faces economic challenges, instability, poverty, limited education, and injustice. Over 95% of the population are Muslim, with mostly Christians and Hindus making up the rest.

The Christian minority in Pakistan are often poor, discounted by the rest of society, and subject to discrimination and persecution. Christians are given little opportunity to present themselves and their faith positively, or to change the way they are perceived.

We Want to Change That through Pak-7! By producing amazing TV programs that shift attitudes towards Christ and Christians. We identify and invest in local Christian filmmakers, who harness the power of story telling to move people, show their faith in a positive light, and demonstrate their commitment to bless their nation.