

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, our gifts are small next to all that you have given us. Take our gifts, LORD, and make them holy, so that they may help to feed the hungry, grow the church, and share your Light with a world lost in darkness. Amen.

Closing Hymn

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna
#89 Presbyterian Hymnal

Benediction

Song of Sending

Trees of the Field
#764 Celebration Hymnal

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

The Postlude

The People of God Gathered to Worship As THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WEST SALEM

April 13, 2025
Palm Sunday

Prelude – *Open the Gates of the Temple*

Welcome

Prayer Requests

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Hymn *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*
#300 Celebration Hymnal

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.

Passing of the Peace

Let us greet one another as forgiven sinners
with the peace of Christ:

"May the Peace of our LORD Jesus Christ be with you!
And also, with you."

Hymn of Illumination

Wonderful Words of Life
v. 1 #406 Celebration Hymnal

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29 – See Insert

A Moment with the Children – Hosannah!

Choral Anthem – Choir – The One On A Tree

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 19:28-40 - See Insert

Prayer Of Illumination

Sermon – The Triumphal Entry - Pastor Dan McCurdy

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we are a sinful people. We struggle to be who you call us to be, we constantly fall short of your expectations, and we find ourselves all too often becoming more who the world expects us to be. We have not done what we are called to do, and often we do the things we are called to avoid. We cling to the ways we wrong others, and the ways in which we have been wronged, rather than allowing the gap to be bridged. LORD, we believe, help our unbelief, and hear us as we raise our silent prayers up to you.

Moment of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son
And to the Holy Ghost.**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen, Amen.**

Affirmation of Faith

(The Apostles Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator 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.

Presentation of Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

The Gifts of God are all around us, our lives and our homes, our talents and our joys, our family and friends, and the greatest gift of all was the Salvation promised, the life of Christ seeking to end our division from God and each other. When we give, we do not do so to purchase anything... for the gifts of God were already given. Instead, we give in imitation of our LORD, offering what we have to support others, and to be ourselves the gift that God gives the World, so let us worship God with our Giving.

Offertory – Handbells – *All Glory, Laud and Honor*

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

¹ O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! ² Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." ¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. ²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. ²³ This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. ²⁴ This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. ²⁵ Save us, we beseech you, Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success! ²⁶ Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord. ²⁷ The Lord is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. ²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you. ²⁹ O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 19:28-40

²⁸ After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ Now as he was approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸ saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" ³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰ He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

**Nursery Available – 4k and under only
Not staffed**

**Coffee and Cookies
Fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall
9:30-10:00 am**

April 13, 2025 Worship Team	
Liturgist	Dan Wolbrink
Musicians	Caroline Sells Greg Meeuwsen
Sound Room	Elsa Wolbrink
Choir & Handbells Director	Vicki Arndt
Usher	Richard Calvetti

Tithes and Offerings

Donations can be mailed to:

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Tabitha Circle

***Bring your crafts, sack lunch and join us!
The first and third Mondays of each month
11:30-2:30 pm - Bring a Lunch***

Exercise Group

Not April 15th or April 18th

**Tuesdays and Fridays
9:00 to 10:00 am
Fellowship Hall**

***The ongoing mission of The Presbyterian Women is to support
the Salvation Army and WINN (What I Need Now) by collecting
needed items (lists are on tables and Lamplighter. All items can
be placed in the purple tote at the back of the sanctuary.
Money donations are accepted as well.***

Handbells Rehearsals

***No rehearsal on
April 17th***

Choir Rehearsals

No rehearsal on April 17th

Community Dinner

**April 23rd
5pm – 6pm**

**Our Savior's Food Pantry
Open Saturdays 10 am to Noon.**

**Contribution Statements
On table in back of sanctuary**

Easter Egg Hunt

**Easter Sunday, April 20th
Before service**

Easter Breakfast

**Easter Sunday, April 20th - 9-10 am
If you can bring an Egg Bake,
please contact Vickie Bain, 608-769-3041 or
Sherry Bonsall, 608-786-1280**

Maundy Thursday Service

**April 17th
6:30 pm**