
COVENANT RENEWAL WORSHIP



The Morning Service

The Lord's Day — April 4, 2004

Palm Sunday

Preparation For Worship: *Zechariah 9:1-13*

*Organ - Mr. Bill Hoover

Welcome & Announcements - Pastor Jeffrey J. Meyers



The Entrance

Silent Meditation & Prayer

Call to Worship: *Zechariah 9:9*

Pastor Jeffrey J. Meyers

†Hymn #226 "Rejoice, the Lord is King"

Trinity Hymnal

†Salutation & Responsive Scriptures

†Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit!

Congregation: **Amen!**

The Lord be with you!

Ruth 2:4

And also with you!

Our help is in the Name of Yahweh;

Psalms 124:8

Who made heaven and earth!

†Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord:

Almighty and everlasting God, Lord of heaven and earth, mercifully hear our prayer, and graciously draw us into your holy presence, through your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, age after age. Amen!

The Purification

†Call to Confession

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God our Father, asking him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

Have mercy on me, O God

Psalms 51:1-2

According to your steadfast love;

According to your abundant mercy,

Blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,

And cleanse me from my sin

* Please refrain from conversation once the prelude begins

† The congregation stands

O Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended you. I justly deserve your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for my sins, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray you of your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious to me, a poor sinful being. Forgive me all my sins and grant me the power of your Holy Spirit that I may genuinely amend my sinful life and earnestly persevere in doing your will. Lord, be gracious to me, for Jesus sake I pray. *Silent Prayer.* Amen!

†Pastor: Now lift up your heads and hear the good news . . . !

The Ascension

†Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

†Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

It is proper and right to do so.

†Truly it is proper, right, and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give praise to you O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting King. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you and singing . . .

†Hymn of Praise: #173 "All glory, laud, and honor"

Trinity Hymnal

The Old Testament Reading: *Zechariah 9:9-17*

Pastor Chris Smith

The Epistle Reading: *Revelation 14:14-20*

†The Gospel Reading: *John 12:9-19*

†We Confess Our Faith: *The Nicene Creed*

(see insert)

Sermon Text: *Matthew 13:24-43*

Sermon: **PARABLES ABOUT PATIENCE**

Pastor Jeffrey J. Meyers

XXXIX. EXPOSITION OF THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MATTHEW

†A Lenten Prayer "Lord, who throughout these forty days"

(see insert)

The Tribute Offering

We Offer Ourselves Through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Ride on in majesty"

arr. Pooler (see hymn #172)

†Prayer of Dedication & Prayer for the Church

†The *Gloria Patri*

The Sacrifice of Peace

†Prayer of Thanksgiving & Memorial

The Words of Institution & Distribution

Communion Hymn: #172 "Ride on! Ride on in majesty!"

Pastoral Benediction

†The Song of Simeon (*Nunc Dimittis*): Luke 2:30-32

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou has prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. 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.

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

Congregation: **And his mercy endures forever!**

Pastor: Almighty and everlasting God, you have sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take for himself our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, age after age.

Congregation: **Amen!**

The Benediction

†Hymn #512 (*Psalm 118*) "Give thanks unto the Lord"

Trinity Hymnal

†Benediction: *Numbers 6:24-26*

†Three-fold Amen

†Postlude & Greet One Another!

A Lenten Prayer

(Tune of Hymn #7)

Lord, who throughout these forty days
For us did fast and pray,
Teach us with you to mourn our sins,
And close by you to stay.

As you with Satan did contend
And did the vict'ry win,
O give us strength in you to fight,
In you to conquer sin.

As you did hunger and did thirst,
So teach us, gracious Lord,
To die to self and so to live
By your most Holy Word.

Abide with us, that through this life
Of suff'ring and of pain
An Easter of unending joy
We may at last attain.

Special Evening Worship Service

6 PM - Cornerstone Presbyterian Church



Tonight we will join our daughter church, Cornerstone, at their place of worship, to participate in their organizational service. The service will be conducted by a commission of Missouri Presbytery for the purpose of organizing Cornerstone as a self-governing, particular church. This is a landmark occasion for both churches and we encourage all members of Providence to attend and express our joy for and solidarity with our brothers and sisters at Cornerstone Presbyterian Church.

