



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH OF ALAMEDA

*Hosanna!*

A stylized green palm frond is positioned below the word 'Hosanna!'. The frond is composed of many fine, parallel lines radiating from a central stem, creating a fan-like shape. It is oriented horizontally, with the stem pointing towards the left.

**WE GATHER TOGETHER**

**Prelude** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" arr. J. Carter

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

**Leader** Jesus rode a donkey into Jerusalem.

**People** Hosanna! Blessed is the King  
who comes in the name of the Lord!

**Leader** The people laid down their garments  
and praised God.

**People** Hosanna! Blessed is the King  
who comes in the name of the Lord!

**Leader** If the people keep quiet,  
even the stones will cry out.

**People** Hosanna! Blessed is the King  
who comes in the name of the Lord!

**Processional** "Come Christians, Join to Sing" 150

**We Confess**

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you. The lips that sing "Hosanna!" are the same that shout "Crucify!" The hands that wave palm branches are the same that prepare your cross. Forgive us, God of grace. Look upon us with mercy—our lives are in your hands. Save us, by your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Silent Prayer*

**We are Assured of God's Grace**

**Leader:** The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People:** And also with you.

Anthem "Hosanna! Blessed Is He!" Ralph E. Marryott

## WE LISTEN TO THE WORD

Old Testament Reading Psalm 118:19-29 (p.493)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

New Testament Reading Matthew 21:1-11 (p. 802)

The Message Rev. Christopher Peterson

*Moment of reflection*

## WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

### Palm Sunday Litany

Leader It is a day of celebration and joy.

**People Jesus is on his way into Jerusalem.**

Leader It is a day to wave palm branches with happiness.

**People Jesus is a humble king – one we celebrate.**

Leader It is a day to shout out words of praise.

**People Jesus is coming, and he will bring new life.**

Leader Can I hear "Hallelujah"?

**People Yes, we will say it: Hallelujah!**

Leader Can I hear "Praise God"?

**People Yes, we will say it: Praise God!**

Leader If we don't sing and shout our joy for Jesus,

**People Then the rocks and rivers will shout praise.**

Leader Are we only celebrating something that happened a very long time ago, in history?

**People No! Jesus is here! We praise him now!**

Leader Today we are his disciples. Today we are the children of God. Today he brings us hope and joy.

People Hosanna! Praise to God in the highest.

“Gloria Patri” (579)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and every shall be, world  
without end. A-men, A-men.

### We Pray Together

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.

### SENDING

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” 88 (v.1-2)

Postlude “Fanfare” G. Young

~Please join us for coffee & refreshments in Fellowship Hall ~

### TODAY’S WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Christopher Peterson

YoonGeong Lee- *Music Minister*

Lynn Finegan- *Organist*

Chancel Choir

Kathy Smith -*Assisting*

Kathleen Berquist and Mark Cronenwett - *Greeters*

Bruce Parker - *Sound Technician*

Bill Darling & Michael Helbush- *Ushers*

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Today, 4/9	9:00 a.m.	Chancel Choir rehearsal
	10:30 a.m.	Worship and Praise
	11:30 a.m.	Fellowship
	12:30 p.m.	AKPC Worship Service
	1:45 p.m.	AKPC Fellowship
Tues, 4/11	11:00 a.m.	OAM Bible Study Class
Wed, 4/12	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir rehearsal
Thu, 4/13	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service
Fri, 4/14	7:00 p.m.	AKPC Worship Service
Sat, 4/15	9:00 a.m.	Women's Breakfast
	10:00 a.m.	Chancel Choir rehearsal

## OTHER COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Daily	5:45 p.m.	A.A. meeting
Mondays	6:30 p.m.	Cub Pack 2
	7:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts
Tuesdays	1:00 p.m.	Women's A.A. Serenity Group
	6:15 p.m.	SPN Basketball practice
Wednesdays	2:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts
Thursdays	6:15 p.m.	SPN Basketball practice
	8:00 p.m.	Al-Anon meeting

For further details on other activities and ministries,

Website: [www.alamedachurch.com](http://www.alamedachurch.com)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/FirstPresAlameda](http://www.facebook.com/FirstPresAlameda)

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 15- Susan Jeffries

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

April 11- Claudia Perkins & Bruce Johnson

### Prayers of Encouragement for

*Esther Bowen*-1815 Cambridge Dr.

*Barbara Edmiston*-801 Island Dr. 204  
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*Gerry Higby*- 2126 Lincoln Ave, Apt. 25

*Marge Joseph*- 2401 Blanding

*Jim Lewis*- 1230 Sherman St

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*Roy Nason*- 1906 High St.

*Louise Parker*- 2431 Mariner Sq. #310

*Beth Peterson*- Seattle, WA

*Norma Serles*-Alameda, CA

*Freddie & Doug Smith*-Rocklin 95675

*Kay Lamon*-1132 Post St.

Prayers for the family and friends of

*Carol Cantrell*

*All addresses are Alameda, CA 94501  
unless otherwise noted*

## WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

- ❖ The ADA restroom is located in the courtyard next to the church office. The other restrooms are across the courtyard on the left and through the hall doors.
- ❖ **Hearing Enhancement Units & Large Print** bulletins, hymnals and bibles, are available from the back of the sanctuary.
- ❖ **Godly Play (Sunday School)** for children from pre-school age (out of diapers) through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Parents are to pick up their children in Room 305, upstairs in the in the education building following worship.
- ❖ If you have a **Prayer Request** you would like to share in worship, please complete a yellow prayer card (from the hymnal rack) and give it to an usher or place it in the offering plate.
- ❖ If you are visiting today and looking for a new church home we invite you to visit our **Welcome table** at the Santa Clara entrance and sign in.
- ❖ If you give us your:
  - NAME - *we'll pray for you*
  - EMAIL - *we'll contact you*
  - PHONE # - *we'll call you*

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