

**SUNDAY—APRIL 05, 2020**



**Palm  
Sunday**

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**Rev. Miriam Gentle, Pastor**

*Vision Statement:*  
**“LOVING AND SERVING CHRIST IN OUR  
COMMUNITY AND WORLD”**

**Welcome to this service of worship!**

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# **Northwest United Protestant Church**

Richland, Washington

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9:30 a.m.

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Today's worship service includes the Lord's Supper. Prepare your juice or water, and bread or crackers beforehand. At the appropriate time in the service, you will be instructed to take the bread and juice and participate together. After you partake of communion, listen to the music and use that time to pray and meditate.

Welcome

## **Call to Worship**

Children of God, Rejoice!

Sing out in celebration, God's people!

Your King is coming to you,

humble, riding on a donkey,

on a donkey's foal.

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes

in the Lord's name. Glory to God! Hosanna!

## **Opening Prayer/ Invocation**

Lord God, loving Friend and Parent,  
You deserve our worship, our love and our devotion,  
Because You have entered our broken world,  
You have joined us on our journey of pain and pleasure,  
of sorrow and joy,  
And have given us access to life eternal and abundant.  
We lift our voices to praise You, O God.  
We celebrate Your coming to us,  
Not with political power or military might,  
Not with glamour or fame or wealth,  
But in humility and love, gently and with great  
compassion.  
We lift our voices to praise You, O God.  
Amen.

## **Hymn "O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing"**

-Anna Kion and Sue Lincoln

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's  
praise, The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of  
God's grace!

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our  
sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life,  
and health, and peace.

My loving savior and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy  
name.

## Words of Witness

First Reading—Old Testament—Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

- Deb Donahoe

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

Let the house of Aaron say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

Let those who fear the Lord say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

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 chief 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 beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God, and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Second Reading—New Testament— Matthew 21:1-11

- Mike Dodson

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately."

This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

**Hymn**

**“All Glory, Laud and Honor”**

- Anna Kion and Sue Lincoln

All glory, laud, and honor  
to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.  
You are the King of Israel  
and David's royal Son,  
now in the Lord's name coming,  
the King and Blessed One.

The company of angels  
is praising you on high;  
and we with all creation  
in chorus make reply.  
The people of the Hebrews  
with palms before you went;  
our praise and prayer and anthems  
before you we present.

To you before your passion  
they sang their hymns of praise;  
to you, now high exalted,  
our melody we raise.  
As you received their praises,  
accept the prayers we bring,  
for you delight in goodness,  
O good and gracious King!

Third Reading- The Gospel- John 13:1, 12-17, 31b-35  
Onnie Adams

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord--and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

**Hymn****“Jesu, Jesu”****Wesley Gentle**

Refrain: (Please join in the refrain after each verse)

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

Kneels at the feet of his friends,  
Silently washes their feet,  
Master who pours out himself for them. [Refrain]

Neighbors are rich and poor,  
Neighbors are black and white,  
Neighbors are near and far away. [Refrain]

These are the ones we should serve,  
These are the ones we should love.  
All are neighbors to us and you. [Refrain]

Kneel at the feet of our friends,  
Silently washing their feet,  
This is the way we should live with you. [Refrain]

**Pastoral Prayer/ 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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;



And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and  
the glory, Forever.  
**Amen.**

### **The Lord's Supper**

Communion Meditation and Invitation

Prayer

Words of Institution

Distribution of Communion

**Communion Music**

**"One Bread, One Body"**

**-Wesley Gentle**

### **Prayer after Communion/Closing Prayer**

God of Infinite Love,

On this day above all days

We sing the praise of him who died upon the cross.

We bless you for the words he uttered,

For the anguish he endured,

For the sacrifice he offered,

For the triumph he won over sin and death.

Accept our gratitude, our worship, our adoration,

And make us more worthy of all that he has done for us,

Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**Amen**

**Benediction - A Navajo Prayer  
(PLEASE READ IN UNISON)**

God is before us.

God is behind us.

God is above us.

God is below us.

God's words shall come from our mouths.

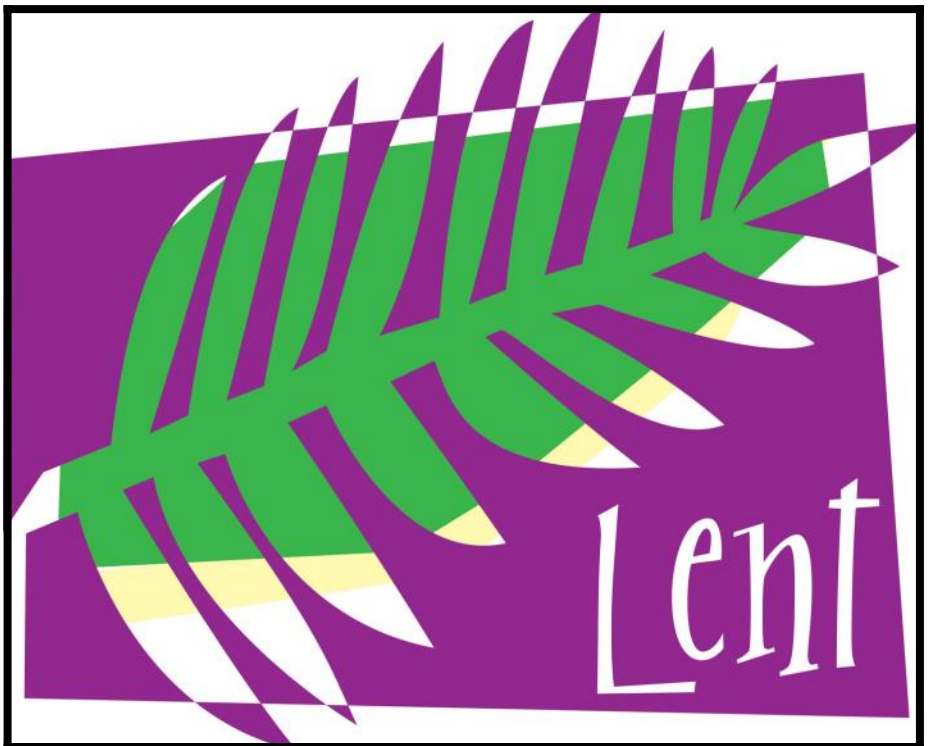
For we are all God's essence, a sign of God's love.

All is finished in beauty.

All is finished in beauty.

**Amen.**

Postlude



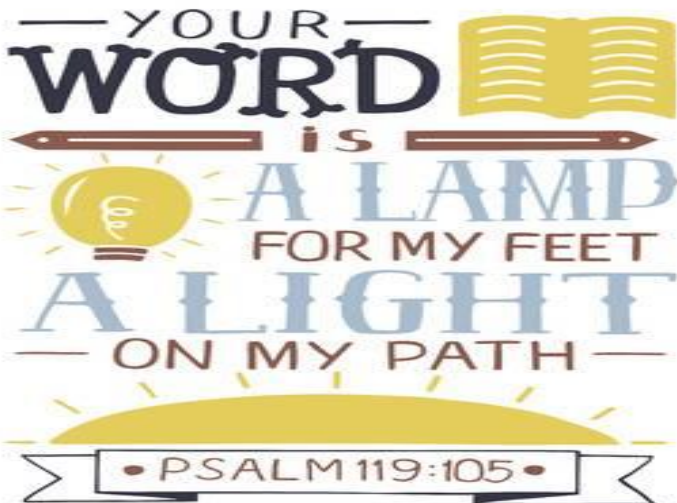
## Facebook Live

Services will be on-line until further notice.  
Please view the Facebook page at 9:30 a.m. on  
Sunday mornings with  
Rev. Miriam Gentle, Pastor.

## THE LENTEN ADULT EDUCATION CLASS.

We are continuing with our N. T. Wright video series, Surprised by Hope. We will be using Zoom to connect with each other. Our sessions are Sundays at 5 p.m.

If you would like to be added to our small group, please let Rick know ([rldonahoe@gmail.com](mailto:rldonahoe@gmail.com)).





***On-going prayers for:***

**Levi Valdez, Cindy Fowler; Connie & Donna Eckard, Camden Ayres; Brad Butherus;** all care givers; **Norma Conrad;** all in the military. Continued Healing for **Joyce Jakes**, travel mercies for **Vanna**, and for **Eva Bloomster** prayer for Congratulations of new citizenship.

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