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# Crossroads

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



## *A Holy Communion Service*

*April 2, 2023  
11:00 A.M.*



*The Rev. Dr. Richard Allen Farmer, Pastor-Teacher*

*Lay Leader: Bill Small Worship Leader: Maggie Sofidiya  
Pianist: Kristi Helfen  
Drums: Ben Wilkinson Percussion: Sam Jones*

GATHERING SONG *Hymn No. 164*  
*Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

COMMUNITY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Hymn No. 132*  
*Ride On! Ride On in Majesty*

CALL TO WORSHIP (*from psalms 95 & 96*) **Lay Leader**  
Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the  
Rock of our salvation and extol Him with music and song.....  
Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before  
Him, all the earth. Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns."

OPENING SONG *Hosanna*

+CONFESSION & RESPONSE

**All: Forgive us Lord God, for our many shortcomings.**

LAY LEADER: You Lord, are trustworthy.

**All: But our trust in You is weak and inconsistent.**

Lay Leader: You Lord, are strong yet gentle and kind.

**All: We are weak and lack compassion.**

Lay Leader: You Lord, are holy and righteous.

**All: We are sinful and unrighteous; we do not deserve your mercy.**

Lay Leader: But as recorded in Matthew 9, Jesus said: I desire  
compassion for those in distress and not ritual sacrifice, for I did  
not come to call the self-proclaimed righteous, but those who  
recognize their sin and actively seek forgiveness.\*

SUNG RESPONSE *The Lord is The Light*

+APOSTLE'S CREED **Worship Leader**

MORE PRAISE *The Servant King*

OUR AFFIRMATIONS **Lay Leader**

+PASTORAL PRAYER

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

GRATEFUL GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS  
*Please remember the Samaritan Fund Ministry to non-members in  
distress in your giving this week. Text and online giving available.  
See the website for information.*

OFFERTORY **Kristi Helfen**  
*We Will Glorify* - Paris/Tornquist

OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Doxology*

MINISTRY OF MUSIC **Chancel Choir**  
*"The Blood of Jesus Medley"*  
Arr. by Mike Speck and Stan Whitmire

CHILDREN'S CHURCH  
*(Children ages 4 & 5 and grades 1st-5th are dismissed to class)*

+SCRIPTURE READING  
*If you are able, please stand for the reading of the Word of God.*

John 12:12-19

*Reader: The Word of the Lord Response: Thanks be to God*

SERMON **Pastor Richard Allen Farmer**  
*"A King, A Colt, A Calling"*

MOMENT OF REFLECTION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION  
Consecration of the Bread and Cup  
Breaking of the Bread  
Communion of the People

CLOSING HYMN *Hymn No. 164*  
*Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

BENEDICTION **People: Amen**  
*Hymn= Hymns for the Living Church. (All music and words approved by CCLI License  
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PRELUDE *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus with All Hail King Jesus* -  
Prichard/Moody/Tornquist

## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried\*; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead; I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church\*\*, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

\* In the original Creed "He descended into Hell" is inserted here.

\*\* In the original Creed "the Holy catholic Church" is inserted here.

## OUR AFFIRMATIONS

### Our Common Identity

Leader: Who Are We Crossroads?

**All: We're the People of God**

### Our Common Purpose

Leader: Why Do We Exist As A Church?

**All: To love God and worship Him.**

**To love and care for one another and to share the joys and the struggles of growing as a community seeking to bring glory to His name.**

### Our Common Mission and Witness

Leader: Why are we here?

**All: We are here to joyfully worship and serve the Lord: to share the message of Jesus and the Gospel with all who will hear, through lives that demonstrate His love, mercy and justice in all of our relationships, in our communities, in our nation and in our world.**

Leader: Crossroads, how can we be such a community?

**All: By deciding to follow Jesus and to make a daily decision to live for God today. By earnestly studying His word and seeking to value what God values and to practice the principles found in His word.**

Leader: Crossroads, for the Glory of God, let us live like this.

**All: Amen**

GATHERING SONG/CLOSING HYMN

*Hymn No. 164*

**COME, YE FAITHFUL, RAISE THE  
STRAIN**

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain  
of triumphant gladness;  
God hath brought His people forth  
into joy from sadness;  
Now rejoice Jerusalem,  
And with true affection  
Welcome in unwearied strains  
Jesus' resurrection.

'Tis the spring of souls today;  
Christ hath burst His prison,  
and from three days' sleep in death  
as a sun hath risen;  
all the winter of our sins,  
long and dark, is flying  
from his light, to whom we give  
laud and praise undying.

"Alleluia!" now we cry  
to our King immortal,  
who, triumphant, burst the bars  
of the tomb's dark portal;  
"Alleluia!" with the Son,  
God the Father praising,  
"Alleluia!" yet again  
to the Spirit raising.

*John of Damascus*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*Hymn No. 132*

**RIDE ON! RIDE ON IN MAJESTY**

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!  
Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry;  
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road  
With palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin  
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!  
The winged squadrons of the sky  
Look down with sad and wondering eyes  
To see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,  
Then take, O God, Thy power, and reign.

Amen.

Henry H. Milman

OPENING SONG

**HOSANNA**

Hosanna, hosanna  
Hosanna in the highest;  
Hosanna, hosanna  
Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, we lift up Your Name  
With hearts full of praise;  
Be exalted, Oh Lord my God,  
Hosanna in the highest.

Glory, glory  
Glory to the King of kings  
Glory, glory  
Glory to the King of kings.

Lord, we lift up Your Name  
With hearts full of praise;  
Be exalted, Oh Lord my God,  
Hosanna in the highest.

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SUNG RESPONSE

**THE LORD IS MY LIGHT**

The Lord is my light and my salvation.  
The Lord is my light and my salvation.  
The Lord is my light and my salvation,  
whom shall I fear?

**Chorus**

Whom shall I fear, whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the strength of my life,  
whom shall I fear?

In the time of trouble, He shall hide me.  
In the time of trouble, He shall hide me.  
In the time of trouble, He shall hide me,  
whom shall I fear?

**Chorus**

Wait on the Lord and be of good courage.  
Wait on the Lord and be of good courage.  
Wait on the Lord and be of good courage,  
He shall strengthen thine heart.

**Chorus**

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## **THE SERVANT KING**

From heaven You came, helpless babe.  
Entered our world, Your glory veiled;  
Not to be served, but to serve.  
And give Your life that we might live.

### **Chorus:**

This is our God the Servant King.  
He calls us now to follow Him.  
To bring our lives as a daily offering  
Of worship to the Servant King.

There in the garden of tears,  
My heavy load He chose to bear;  
His heart with sorrow was torn,  
"Yet, not my will but Yours", He said.

### Chorus

Come, see His hands and feet,  
The scars that speak  
Of sacrifice,  
Hands that flung stars  
Into space  
To cruel nails  
Surrendered.

### Chorus

So let us learn how to serve,  
And in our lives enthrone Him.  
Each other's needs to prefer,  
For it is Christ we're serving.

### Chorus

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