

Worship at First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 29, 2026 at 10 am

*You will turn my mourning into joyful dancing
that I might sing praises to you and not be silent.
O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever!* (Based on Psalm 30:11–12)

PRELUDE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PASSING THE PEACE

PRAYERS FOR THE CONGREGATION AND THE WORLD

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

There are silences that are full of God.

The silence of Advent waiting.

The silence of Gethsemane.

The silence before the empty tomb.

Today we stand at the threshold—
the crowd shouts, cloaks are spread, hosannas ring out.

Yet we know where this road leads.

Even so, we do not hold back our praise.

We lift our voices with those who lined the streets of Jerusalem.

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

Come, let us move from silence to song—
knowing that the One who enters Jerusalem also enters our hearts.

Ride on, King Jesus.

We will not be silent. Hosanna in the highest!

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HYMN #142: *ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME*

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!

Let angels prostrate fall;

Bring forth the royal diadem,

And crown Him Lord of all!

Bring forth the royal diadem,

And crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,

Ye ransomed from the fall,

Hail Him who saves you by His grace,

And crown Him Lord of all!

Hail Him who saves you by His grace,

And crown Him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe,
 On this terrestrial ball,
 To Him all majesty ascribe,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
 To Him all majesty ascribe,
 And crown Him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng
 We at His feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
 We'll join the everlasting song,
 And crown Him Lord of all!

RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE WITH OUR OFFERINGS

*The metal basket in the offering plate is for gifts to support
 our deacons' provision of care, support, and financial assistance to those in need.*

CHOIR CANTATA: *FROM SILENCE TO SONG* **(A cantata of remembrance, reflection, and resurrection)**

Directed by Patty Sundstrom

A Quiet Gathering

Somewhere in the Silence (Cheryl Guth)

Prepare Your Hearts

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Calling (Steve Cavin)

Just Beyond the Palms

In the Stillness of This Moment (Bob Neisinger)

Silent Was the Night: The Lamb Is Silent Now

The Silence Speaks

Choir:

Karin Beard, Steve Cavin, Karen Davison,
 Kerry Deitsch, Cheryl Guth, Laurie Kolb, Thirza Krohn,
 Bob Neisinger, Floyd Plemmons, Elinor Robinson

Narrator: Judy Ball

Pianist: Ann Kiliz

BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE

CALENDAR

TODAY	Choir Practice (9:00 in the Parlor) Sunday Worship (10:00 in the Sanctuary) Sharing Table (before and after the service)
Tuesday, Mar. 31	Tuesday Crew (9:00–11:30)
Wednesday, April 1	Quilting Group (10:30–2:30)
Thursday, April 2	Maundy Thursday-Tenebrae Service (7:00 pm)
Sunday, April 5	Choir Practice (9:00 in the Parlor) Easter Sunday Celebration and Worship (10:00 in the Sanctuary)
COMING UP	All Church Potluck (after worship service, April 12)

Many people are particularly willing to come to church at Easter; this is a great time to invite family and friends to join you next Sunday as we celebrate the reality and wonder of Christ's resurrection, and the promise that we, too, can have resurrection life in Christ.

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