

BARRE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST March 28, 2021 Palm/Passion Sunday Via Zoom and YouTube Service Pastor Margaret Keyser, preaching

REFLECTION

"No pain, no palm; no thorns, no throne; no gall, no glory; no cross, no crown." ~ William Penn

Prelude – M.A. Charpentier Deborah Page

GREETING & OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Margaret Keyser

CALL TO WORSHIP Steve Morrall

Leader: Hosanna! Behold, God is with us!

People: Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: Christ entered Jerusalem in humility, our King who dared to be last, rather than first.

People: We Bless Your Holy Name, oh Lord! Amen

GATHERING HYMN (brown #66)

To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory -great things He hath done!

So, loved he the world that He gave us His Son,

Who yielded the life and atonement of sin and opened the Life-gate that all may in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord Let the earth hear His voice!

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, Let the People rejoice!

O Come to the Father thru Jesus the Son, and give Him the glory, great things He hath done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!

To every believer the promise of God;

The vilest offender who truly believes that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Refrain:

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Steve Morrall

We confess, gracious God, that we are not worthy of Your love for us.

You speak to us through your word, telling us to love You and our neighbor as we love ourselves.

To You we call for mercy, for we have failed You, and hardened our hearts.

Forgive us now and give us renewed hearts and minds, through the grace of Jesus Christ.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Margaret Keyser

The Lord our God is merciful and full of compassion.

The Lord sees our hearts and hears our remorse.

I say to you, in the Name of Jesus Christ:

Your sins are forgiven.

Your faith has made you free.

Anyone who is in Christ Jesus is a new creation; the old has passed away.

All: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Blessed is He that Comes in the Name of the Lord

Barre Congregational Church Virtual Choir Wesley United Methodist Church, Hadley, MA

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

Pastor Margaret Keyser

SONG WITH OUR CHILDREN

Jesus Loves the Little Children

Brown #580

Jesus loves the little children, All the children of the world, Red and yellow, black, and white, they are precious in His sight-Jesus loves the little children of the world.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 11:1-11

Steve Morrall

MUSICAL SELECTION

Forty Day and Forty Nights (verses 1& 2)

Toni Brown

Forty days and forty nights Thou wast fasting in the wild;

Forty days and forty nights tempted, and yet undefiled.

Shall not we thy sorrow share, and from earthly joys abstain,

Fasting with unceasing prayer, glad with thee to suffer pain?

SERMON

"Hosanna! Blessed is the One who Comes in the Name of the Lord!"

Pastor Margaret Keyser

All Glory Laud and Honor

HYMN (brown) #173

All glory, laud and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,

To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring:

Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son,

Who in the Lord's name comest, The King and blessed One!

The company of the angels are praising Thee on high,

And mortal men and all things created make reply:

The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went:

Our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present.

To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;

To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise:

Thou didst accept their praises- accept the praise we bring.

Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King! Amen.

BENEDICTION Pastor Margaret Keyser

CLOSING HYMN (brown) #96

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!

Let angels prostrate fall, let angels prostrate fall,

Bring forth the royal diadem,

And crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, and crown Him Lord of All.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,

Ye ransomed from the fall, Ye ransomed from the fall,

Hail Him who saves you by His grace,

And crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, and crown Him Lord of All.

O that with yonder scared throng

We at His feet may fall, We at His feet may fall,

And crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, and crown Him Lord of All.

OFFERTORY WORDS

When you have no words,

When you cannot find your voice, God approaches.

Let us reach out to our God.

Let us give our gifts.

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Please let us know if you have any prayer concerns or celebrations you would like to share with the congregation. Call the church, 978-355-4041 and leave a message or call Wendy, 978-928-5180.