

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania

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(*Indicates to stand, in body or spirit)

April 5, 2020 PALM/PASSION SUNDAY ORDER FOR WORSHIP

We welcome new guests and old friends. We are happy to offer you fellowship with the living Savior and companionship to serve others in His Name.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God makes common cause with our human suffering. We read scriptures, sing the hymns, feel the feeling of the day Christ died. Suffering is not rational. It has no answer. But in the cross, God meets us in our suffering. Because of the cross, we know that there is nowhere we can go where God is not with us. God, into your hands we commend our Spirit.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Merciful God, we come together to worship, longing for tenderness because this world can be hard. We come longing for light, because our lives are crowded with shadows. We come desperately needing direction. Fill us, this morning, with your peace. Your spirit is our peace and our path. Amen.

*HYMN NO. 216

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 50: 4-9 (Pg. 681)

NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew 27: 11-54 (Pg. 32)

L: Word of God for the people of God
P: Thanks be to God

SERMON

“Feeling Forsaken”

Pastor Nicki

SENDING

PASTORAL PRAYER

*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 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.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

DEACON OF THE MONTH for April is Bonnie Miller.

LAYREADER for today is Ron Charpentier

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS this week are Lisa Swanson, Cole Wasylyk, Jen Carmella and Oscar Santana