



# First Presbyterian Church

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

April 10th 2022

Palm/Passion Sunday

10:30a.m.

*This service is being streamed through FaceBook Live.*

Our weekly worship service will be available via Zoom, Facebook, and YouTube at 10:30am and can be accessed in the following ways:

1. By joining a "Zoom" meeting at <https://zoom.us/j/8613610300?pwd=QnN2TUerMUVVQIRGalJ1c3A5QTRSQT09> (you may want to test this link ahead of time to make sure you have the necessary file downloaded to join the feed). If you already have the Zoom app, you can just enter the meeting ID# 861 361 0300 and the password 6525712.
2. Calling 929-436-2866 and entering the meeting ID 861 361 0300 # and the password 6525712. through Facebook at [www.facebook.com/FirstPresMineralRidge](http://www.facebook.com/FirstPresMineralRidge) (you do not have to have a Facebook account to watch, but you would need one to share comments).
3. Through YouTube by searching for "First Presbyterian Church of Mineral Ridge" or at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQyB2URdu5Kxxkk62GXWipQ/>

## PRELUDE

## RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

## WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

It is with a joyful heart we can say Mahoning and Trumbull counties currently have a **LOW** risk level of COVID 19! Thank you for your patience and understanding as our church dealt with the pandemic these past 2 years. We are hoping you are healthy and look forward to many more of you returning to in-person worship in the near future.

We want to keep you abreast of a few recommendations from our Health Ministries Team that have been approved by the Session:

1. Masks are now **optional** inside the church building.
2. Passing of the peace will resume in the same manner previous to the COVID 19 pandemic. Some of us may choose to elbow bump, wave or knuckle bump while others of us may choose to shake hands or hug. As always, respect for each other will be observed.
3. Pot Luck dinners will resume.

## SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## GOD CALLS US TOGETHER

## THE EXTINGUISHING OF THE LENTEN CANDLE

## OPENING PRAYER

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

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

**Hosanna in the highest!**

Open for us the gates of righteousness;

**We will enter them; we will offer thanks to the Lord.**      *(Psalm 118:26,19)*

**\*PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM**      John 12:12-15

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—the King of Israel!"

Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written:

"Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

**\*HYMN 88**

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

*Refrain: 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. *Ref.*

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;  
our praise and prayers and anthems before Thee we present. *Ref.*

To Thee before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise;  
to Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. *Ref.*

Thou didst accept their praises, accept the prayers we bring,  
Who in all good delight Thou good and gracious King! *Ref.*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Great God of power: you sent the Lord Jesus into the world  
to save us from our sins.**

**We confess we have not hailed you as king,  
or gone before you in the world with praise.**

**For brief faith that fades in trouble, for enthusiasms that fizzle out,  
for hopes we parade but do not pursue, have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, God, and give us such trust in your power  
that, in every place, we may live for justice and tell your loving-kindness;  
for the sake of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **KYRIE (#572)**

"Lord have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us."

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

"The God who gives us peace can make us holy and whole and fit for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The One who calls us is dependable, and will do this" (1 Thessalonians 5:23-24).

Friends, believe the good news. **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

## **SUNG RESPONSE** *(Glory to God 838)*

Standing on the promises that cannot fail,  
When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,  
By the living Word of God I shall prevail,  
Standing on the promises of God.  
Standing, standing,  
Standing on the promises of God my Savior;  
Standing, standing,  
I'm standing on the promises of God.

## **GOD'S WORD IS PROCLAIMED**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT** Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he awakens— awakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

**THE CANTICLE**      *Please read with me in unison*      Philippians 2:5-11

**Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped,  
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.  
And being found in human form, he humbled himself,  
and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.  
Therefore God has highly exalted him  
and bestowed on him the name above every name,  
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue confess to the glory of God:  
Jesus Christ is Lord!**

***Kindergarten and younger children may now leave with Miss Ella Perrone  
for Story Circle in Fellowship Hall***

**THE GOSPEL LESSON**      Luke 19:28-40

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, “Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’” So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” They said, “The Lord needs it.” Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

“Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven,  
and glory in the highest heaven!”

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

*Standing on the Promises – The Promise of Peace — Rev. Meta Cramer*

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**



**\*HYMN 492**     *Baptized in Water*

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit,  
Cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King;  
Heirs of salvation, Trusting the promise,  
Faithfully now God's praises we sing.

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit,  
Dead in the tomb with Christ, our King;  
One with his rising, Freed and forgiven,  
Thankfully now God's praises we sing.

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit,  
Marked with the sign of Christ, our King;  
Born of the Spirit, We are God’s children,  
Joyfully now God's praise we sing.

**\* THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Words from Scripture

Presentation *Debbie Rendes, Sponsor*

*Andrew Norman Rendes, son of January and Mark,  
is being presented for baptism.*

Renunciations

**\*Profession of Faith – The Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Baptism

Welcome

**With joy and thanksgiving  
we welcome you into Christ's church  
to share with us in his ministry,  
for we are all one in Christ.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER - *Let us pray***

**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. Lead us not in to temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**CALL FOR OFFERING** A Time for All God's Children *Suzie McCabe*

## **OFFERTORY**

### **RESPONSE OF PRAISE 101**

Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

### **DEDICATION PRAYER**

**Faithful God, thank you for claiming us in baptism,  
and for being at work in our lives today.  
We pray for power to live lives worthy of your calling,  
and ask that these gifts may be used for the healing of the world.  
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

### **GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD**

#### **\*HYMN 92**      *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,  
The shadow of a mighty Rock within a weary land;  
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,  
From the burning of the noontide heat and the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see  
The very dying form of One who suffered there for me:  
And from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess,  
The wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

#### **\*BENEDICTION**

#### **\*CLOSING HYMN VERSE**

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,  
Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord,  
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,  
Standing on the promises of God.  
Standing, standing,  
Standing on the promises of God my Savior;  
Standing, standing,  
I'm standing on the promises of God.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

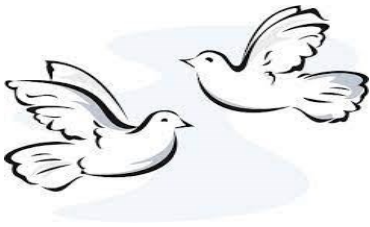
**WE WELCOME YOU ALL HERE TODAY.** We are glad you are here and hope you feel God's presence with us. Please join us for a time of fellowship in Fellowship Hall following worship.



We are asking for \$20 donations to help those in need purchase food for their Easter dinner. Tim Gleason will be collecting these donations in the Fellowship Hall after the service Sunday.



**Breakfast will be served in Fellowship Hall at 9:15am on Easter Morning.** Please join us as we return to these much anticipated traditions.



Please join us Easter Sunday after worship for the Releasing of the Doves on the front lawn in remembrance of Jesus' resurrection.



We extend our sympathy to Bethany Rouan Glidewell and her sister, Shannon Rouan Poole, on the death of their father, Kevin Rouan. He attended worship here on Sunday and died unexpectedly that night. Please support them with your prayers.



### Weekly Offering

4/3 \$  
3/27 \$1,269  
3/20 \$2,317

A local 2nd grader is collecting pop tops for The Ronald McDonald House. There is a container in Fellowship Hall on the counter under the bulletin board.

(All types of aluminum can tops will be accepted.)



***If anyone would like their blood pressure taken before or after church, please ask one of our nurses on the Health Ministry Task Force (Jill Fabian, Marnie Bonsall, Sherry Gleason).***

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, April 10	10:30am	Worship/Baptism Andrew Rendes/Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
Monday, April 11	7:00pm	Al-Anon & Al-Ateen
Thursday April 14	7:00pm	Maundy Thursday Worship with the Lord's Supper and the Service of Shadows
Friday April 15		Good Friday
Sunday April 17	10:30am	Easter Sunday/Breakfast/Worship/Dove Release



## PRAYER LIST

### MEMBERS TO REMEMBER

Mary Alice Seaborn

Marlyne Young

Dorothy Jones

### HEALTH CONCERNS

Helen Redmond  
 Paul Stevens (Bev Myers' son)  
 Megan Taylor (Carole's cousin)  
 Amos Rodgers & Cody Tittle (Marlene's friends)  
 James Tincher (Marlene's son)  
 Bill Reddersen (Ted & Darlene Smith's friend)  
 David Giudici (Emily Pugh's friend)  
 Clayton & Eileen (Bev Myers' family friends)  
 Helen Harwood (January Rendes' grandmother)  
 Russell Golden (Meyers' Friend)  
 Barb and Alan (friends of Suzie McCabe)

Betty Garland  
 Bill Thompson (Marty O'Neill's friend)  
 Karen (Sue McCabe's friend)  
 Matt Smith (Kathy Graham's friend)  
 Dennis Eggert (January Rendes' father)  
 Rev. Jeanine Haven (Jane Meyers' friend)  
 Graig Colantone (Nicole Pugh's father)  
 Dareen Craver-Angeloff (Rodney's mother)  
 Sean Brenner (Jane & Darryl Meyers' nephew)  
 Phillip Igo

### SYMPATHY, CONCERN, NURTURE, & SUPPORT

Eastminster Presbytery and staff  
 Our Mineral Ridge Church Family  
 Pastor Nominating Committee  
 Warren & Youngstown Rescue Missions  
 Coronavirus caregivers and patients  
 Refugees  
 Rev. Kade Mastra (Indonesian Partner)  
 Peace and healing for our country  
 Someplace Safe

Casa de Buen Trato  
 Needles's Eye  
 Niles Community Services  
 World Leaders  
 Jed and Jenny Koball (Peru)  
 Our PC(USA) coworkers  
 Revs. Scott & Elmarie Parker



Martha O'Neill 4/12  
 Linda Frayer 4/13  
 Paul McMullen 4/15  
 David Frayer 4/15



### OFFICE HOURS

Tuesdays & Thursdays  
 9:00am to 1:00pm  
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 330-652-5712



### RESPONSIBILITIES TODAY

**PASTOR:** Rev. Meta Cramer

**LITURGIST:** Lisa Sorg

**ELDER:** Sue McCabe

**DEACON:** Marnie Bonsall

**ORGANIST:** Anita Miller

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