

*First Presbyterian Church*

*April 13, 2025*

*Morrison, Illinois*

*10:15AM*

*Palm Sunday*

*Enter This Church That We Might Worship Together!*



**PRELUDE**

**THE GATHERING WELCOME**

Pastor: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ

**People: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!**

**INTROIT**

*Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!*

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**OPENING PRAYER & MOMENT FOR MEDITATION** (Isaiah 58:6-10)

“Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.”

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsively) (Mark 11:9-10)

Pastor: Hosanna!

**People: Hosanna!**

Pastor: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

**People: Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!**

**All: Hosanna in the highest heaven!**

**\*HYMN**

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

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**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Lord God in Heaven, in our life we encounter adversaries, troubles and torments. And in these times, Lord, we do not always turn to you first, if at all. Forgive us, Lord, for not seeking you to be our Protector. Help us understand that you are our Defender and you shall keep us spiritually from harms way. . . . . *Silent prayer followed by ‘Amen’.*

**\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS** (Unison)

The Lord God is our Strength and Refuge—our Stronghold in times of trials. The Lord forgives us and protects us from our foes. In the arms of God we are safe. Amen.

**\*HYMN**

*Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)*

No. 579

**TIME WITH THE GROWING CHURCH** (Concluding with the Lord’s Prayer (p. 16))

**GOSPEL READING**

Luke 19:28-40

**SERMON**

**\*HYMN**

*Ah, Holy Jesus*

No. 93

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** (Concluding with “Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.”)

**\*HYMN**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Doxology)*

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**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION** (Unison)

We pray to the Triune God that we may find a way as individuals, yet even more, collectively as your community gathered in Christ’s name, to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke. Help us to share our bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into our house; when we see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide ourself from your own kin. May this Palm Sunday find us shouting hosana, and to know that Jesus is our king, the head of the Church, and to him we shall always devote ourselves, proclaiming without end, “He saves!” We pray this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

**\*HYMN**

*All Glory, Laud, & Honor*

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**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE\*\***

**PASSING OF THE PEACE** (*greeting: “Peace be with you,” response: “and also with you”*)

\*You are invited to stand for this portion.

\*\*Please remain seated until the conclusion of the postlude.

The Bible verses are read from the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV).

Donations may be placed in the offering plate near the narthex door.



*Depart This House That We Might Witness Together!*

**Remember in prayer:** residents and staff of Resthave, Homestead and Highlight Health (formerly Pleasant View); God’s Will Giving Center; Bev & Larry Bealer, Dan Brandon, the family of Karen Genz, Glenda Hegwood, Dale Johnson, Barbara Marti, Allyison Mucci, Marian Osborn, Youdelka Philippe (MSH), Jody Tucker, Rachael Tucker, Ray Tucker.

# Love one another!

## Livestream Worship Services

Each Sunday at 10:15am from the church's Facebook group page: [www.facebook.com/groups/firstpresmorrison](http://www.facebook.com/groups/firstpresmorrison). And after the service on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@firstpresmorrison>

**Bible Study** We will meet Tuesdays at 9:30am at Highlight Health (formerly Pleasant View).

**Drive-Up Meal** The next meal will be on April 24. We will be serving pulled pork sandwich and sides. Meal begins at **5PM**. Help is needed on Wednesday at 1:30pm and Thursday starting at 4:15pm. We will be offering in person dining.

**Volunteer Breakfast** At 9AM, April 22nd, Resthave is having their annual Volunteer Breakfast, and they want everyone who has ever volunteered or is planning to do so in the future to

## Birthdays

04/14: Rick Barr

come and participate. They will have omelets, pastries, coffee and juice.

### Upcoming Events:

04/13:

9:15am Sunday School

10:15am Worship Service

11:15am Coffee Hour

04/15:

9:30am Bible Study @ Highlight Health

04/16:

1:30pm BINGO @ Resthave

04/17:

8am Social Hour @ The Loft

7pm Maundy Thursday Service

04/18:

7pm Good Friday Service

04/20:

10:15am Easter Sunday Worship Service/

No Coffee Hour

## STAFF

*Pastor*. . . . . Rev. Dr. Mike Selburg

*Office Manager*. . . . . Stacie Baker

*Organist*. . . . . Scott Vandermyde

*Custodian*. . . . . Courtney Bruckner

## SESSION

### ELDERS:

Rick Barr  
Lexie Laughlin  
Tim Reynolds

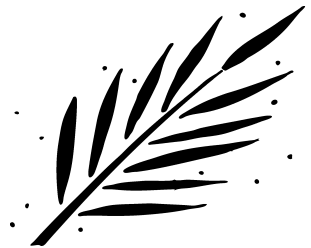
Ron Shank  
Scott Vandermyde  
Carol Wolf



Stacie Baker, Clerk





*Hosanna!  
Blessed is the one who  
comes in  
the name of the Lord—  
the King of Israel!*

—John 12:13




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