



HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 13, 2025

8:45 AND 11:15 A.M.

Invitation to Worship

Paul Henderson

ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR TO THEE, REDEEMER, KING

Prelude

Marcel Dupré

Cortège

Lenten Call to Worship

FINEST WHEAT

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat come
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 give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.

Processional Hymn (175) †

ST. THEODOLPH

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Children's Anthem

G. Alan Smith

Antiphonal Praise

Carol Choir and Chorister's Choir

Hosanna! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Praise

Robin Ramsay Lee (8:45)
A. T. Sizemore (11:15)

A Lesson from the Psalms

Paul Henderson

Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29 (Pew Bible pages 554-555 – OT)

Choral Anthem

Ola Gjeilo

The Ground

Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Osanna in excelsis.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Osanna in excelsis.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
Dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God,
who takes away the sins of the world.
Grant us peace.

THOU DID ACCEPT THEIR PRAISES, ACCEPT THE PRAYERS WE BRING

Prayer of Confession

Renee Purtlebaugh

Holy and saving God, we confess we have sought comfort in systems of power that promise salvation through dominance, control, and division.

We place our hope in the forces of wealth, status, and self-preservation, rather than in the humility of Christ.

We align ourselves with the powers of this world, turning away from the radical love, justice, and peace embodied in Jesus.

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† *For those who are able, we invite you to stand.*

We fail to notice how the cries for justice of the oppressed mirror the “Hosannas” of hope.
We ignore the cries of the poor, the marginalized, and the suffering, choosing instead the easy path of complicity.

We turn a blind eye to the earth’s cries and the injustices so many endure.

Forgive us, O God, for placing our trust in the powers of this world rather than in the power of your love.

Renew our hearts and minds and lead us back to the path of true salvation, where love, justice, and peace reign. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Exchange of Peace †

Renee Purtlebaugh

Hymn (176) †

FOREST GREEN

With Waving Palms and Shouts of Praise

WHO IN ALL GOOD DELIGHTEST

The Gospel Lesson †

Luke 19:28-40 (Pew Bible page 81 – NT)

Justin Sizemore

Sermon

Celebration and Resistance

WE WITH ALL CREATION IN CHORUS MAKE REPLY

Hymn of Response (173) †

TRURO

Lift Up Your Heads

Offertory Prayer †

Gene Streible (8:45)
Bo Bond (11:15)

Offertory

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

Dietrich Buxtehude

News for the Community

Renee Purtlebaugh

In response to your decision, we welcome you! We covenant to be the family of God for you in this place. We hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you, as we journey in faith together.

For the ministries that shape the life of our community, ***thanks be to God.***

Doxology †

WONDROUS LOVE

***To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing!
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great “I AM,” while millions join the theme,
I will sing, I will sing, while millions join the theme, I will sing!***

Lenten Benediction †

THAXTED

We Are One in Christ

***As the bread of life is broken, the cup of love outpoured,
we are one in Christ, our Savior, and sent to serve the Lord.***

Postlude

Max Reger

7 Pieces, No. 4 Passion (Ah, Holy Jesus)

Today in Worship

The season of Lent is 40 weekdays, beginning on Ash Wednesday and ending the day before Easter. These 40 days represent the time when Jesus was in the wilderness praying and resisting the devil's temptations. Using the life of Jesus as our guide, we pray for God's forgiveness and guidance to initiate change in us and move toward a greater understanding of who Jesus is and what we can do to be like him.

Our gratitude to Justin Sizemore, our proclaimer in today's service.

Listening Assist Devices are available. Please see our sound technician or an usher for assistance. Large print hymn sheets are also available upon request for visually impaired persons. An usher can provide a copy for you.

Worship care is available for infants, toddlers and preschoolers during worship. Our greeters are available to help you navigate our building. A Worship Cart with activities to engage children in the pew is located in the Commons.

Nearly 65% of people at Highland use online giving to make financial gifts to the church. We invite you to be one of them! Scan the first QR code in the section below to be directed to our online giving page.

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Notes and News for the Community of Faith

- **The nominees for the Pastor Search Committee are listed below.** Please prayerfully consider these names over the next two weeks. We will include information about each nominee in next week's newsletter and we will vote on them electronically April 27-30. When voting, you may vote yes/no on the whole group or vote individually for each candidate.

Larry Gray, Robert Kahne, Amy Pacyga, Erin Phelps, Kathy Golightly Sanders, Jess Smith, and Abbi Wolfe.
Alternates: Diane Brewer, Ron Smith



- **This Easter we will once again adorn our Sanctuary with beautiful Easter Lilies.** You are invited to purchase a lily for \$15 in memory of, in honor of, or in appreciation of a family member, a friend, a loved one, or a group of people. You may order flowers by using the QR code or by calling the church office at 502-451-3735. The deadline for ordering is tomorrow, April 14.
- **Join us for a finger-food breakfast as we celebrate the resurrection together on Easter morning, April 20 at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall.** Please sign up via the QR code to bring a breakfast item to share. We invite you to bring fresh flowers to help adorn our Easter cross, created by Chip Miller, outside in front of the sanctuary. Children will also have the opportunity to participate in an Easter egg hunt on the lawn for various age groups.
- **Looking Ahead:**
 - April 17: Maundy Thursday, 6:30 PM charcuterie, 7:00 PM service, Fellowship Hall
 - April 18: Good Friday - Tenebrae service, 7:00 PM, Sanctuary
 - April 20: Easter Sunday - 8:45 & 11:15 AM services, Easter on the Lawn, 10:00 AM
 - April 27: Children's Sabbath



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*A thinking, feeling, healing
community of faith*

Our Mission... God's Love compels us to cultivate a safe, welcoming community of faith where all are challenged to discover, grow, and serve, as together we boldly live out the worship that is our very lives.

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