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Many of us give in ways other than putting money in the offering plate each week. Some of us give online at the church's website, or use our bank's online bill pay. Some of us make one large annual gift, or we fulfill our pledge by making a gift once a month. We give our time and our talents because all of our gifts make a difference. Note ways to participate on the reverse side.

Gold envelopes are available in the pews for any financial gifts you would like to give today. Place this card in the offering as a symbol of a gift you've made in another way.

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn of Dedication

"Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!"

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Benediction

*Postlude Chorale and Prelude on "Christ Lay in Todesbanden" (Christ Lay in Death's Bonds)

**Please stand as you are able.*

Many thanks to our guest preacher, Robert Martin.

Robert Martin is the former youth pastor at Guilford College UMC, where he served for six years, and a graduate of Wake Forest School of Divinity. He is a recent graduate of Elon University School of Law and will be licensed to practice law in NC next month. Robert and his wife, Shannon, live in the Greensboro area and have two daughters, Audrey and Norah.

Preaching Next Week: Melissa Guthrie Loy

Holy Week Daily Devotions Available

Please pick up a free booklet of daily devotions from the Welcome Desk. The devotions are also available on our website: fccgreensboro.org/2019/holy-week-devotions

Serving Next Sunday, April 21

Acolyte Charlie Manley **Elders** George Manley and Jim Tebow **Deacons** Emily Boerckel, Helena Epstein, James Thomas, Susan Cox, Kasey Bogan, Lewis Woodruff
Worship Leader Babs Gordon **Children's Moment** Darilyn Knibb
Children's Church Amanda Desselles & Laura Murray **Greeters** Bess Lamson & Terri Drew
Coffee Hour Host Louise Greaves **Building Responsibilities** Jim Tebow

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Baylee Smith

No. 191
CANONBURY

Chloe Murray

Robert Martin

J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)

Palm Sunday

April 14, 2019

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Worship begins outside.

*Call to Worship

Baylee Smith

One: Hosanna!

Many: Hosanna!

One: Hosanna in the highest!

Many: Hosanna!

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

Many: Hosanna in the highest!

One: This is the day the Lord has made.

Many: Let us be glad and rejoice in it!

Join us as we move into the sanctuary, singing together:

**We are walking in the light of God,
we are walking in the light of God.**

**We are walking in the light of God,
we are walking in the light of God.**

**We are walking, walking, we are walking, walking,
We are walking in the light of God.**

Verse 2: We are singing in the light of God...

Verse 3: We are living in the light of God...

Lighting of Candles and Processional

Chloe Murray

Choral Call to Worship

"Festival Sanctus"

Chancel Choir

John Leavitt

*Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth!
(Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts!)*

Hosanna Deo in excelsis!

(Savior God in the highest!)

Benedictus qui venit, in nomine Domine Dei.

(Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord God)

Plenisunt coeli et terra, Gloria tua!

(Heaven and earth are full of your Glory)

Hosanna in excelsis Deo!

(Savior God in the highest!)



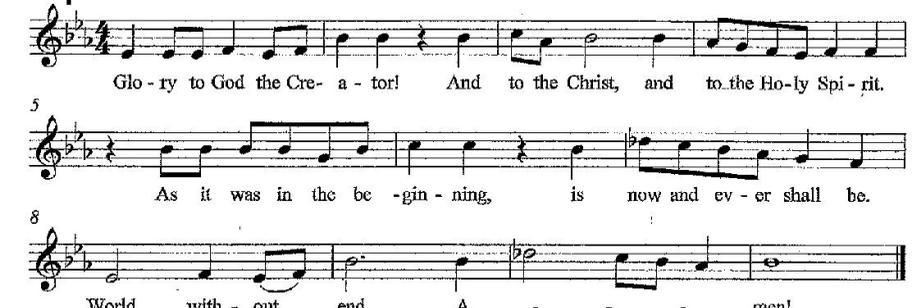
Proclamation Rick Young

The Lord God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. We cry for help and God says, "Here I am." The Lord forgives, guides us continually, and satisfies our needs in parched places. Please stand as we join our voices in prayer and praise.

***Hymn of Praise** No. 192
"All Glory, Laud, and Honor" ST. THEODULPH

***Invocation and Lord's Prayer** Rick Young
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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***Response in Praise** "Gloria Creator Dei" W. Faulkner



Glo-ry to God the Cre-a-tor! And to the Christ, and to the Ho-ly Spi-rit.
As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be.
World with-out end. A-men!

Words of Welcome Baylee Smith

Scripture Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Rick Young
One: The word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God.

Children's Moment Melissa Guthrie Loy
Following the Children's Moment, children age 3 through 2nd grade are invited to gather at the back of the sanctuary for Children's Church. Children's Church leaders: Amanda Desselles and Meredith Cooper

Prayers of the People
Preparation for Prayer No. 340
"Softly and Tenderly" (refrain) THOMPSON
Come home, ye who are weary, come home; earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling—calling, "O sinner, come home!"
Pastoral Prayer Baylee Smith

Sharing our Gifts
Call to Offering Jim Tebow
Offertory *Our gifts support the ministry of this congregation, here in our community and around the world. The gold envelopes in the pews can be used for general gifts to First Christian. The connection card in this bulletin can also symbolize gifts made electronically.*

*Response OLD ONE HUNDREDTH
Praise God who binds our broken lives. Praise Christ, the broken body rise. Praise Spirit binding hearts with care. Praise Triune binding all that share. Amen.

Dedication of Gifts Jim Tebow

Scripture Luke 19:28-40 Rick Young
One: The word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God.

Message "The Stones Will Cry Out" Robert Martin

Sharing the Feast
Communion Preparation "Ave Verum Corpus" Handbell Ensemble
("Hail True Body") W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)

Ave verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine, Vere passum immolatum in Cruce pro homine, Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine, Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.
Hail true body born of the Virgin Mary, Who truly suffered, sacrificed on the Cross for man, Whose pierced side overflowed with water and blood, Be for us a foretaste In the test of death.
Call to Communion Baylee Smith

One: Come to the Lord's Table.
Many: We give thanks for God's love.
One: Come to the Lord's Table.
Many: We confess our sin.
One: Come to the Lord's Table.

Many: We know God forgives and satisfies our needs.
Words of Institution Baylee Smith
Prayer for the Bread and Cup George Manley
One: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, share in the feast.
All who seek to follow Jesus are invited to share in communion. All are invited to come forward to share in these gifts by taking a piece of the bread and dipping it into the cup. If you prefer to remain in your seat, a deacon will bring communion to you.
One: We give you thanks, O God. We celebrate the life that Jesus has shared among his community through the centuries and shares with us now.
Many: Amen.

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Feel free to share Joys and Concerns:

- participate* Let us know your plans.
- I'm a member of the board and will be at today's meeting following worship.
 - Did God kill Jesus? Interesting question. I'll join in the Table Topics conversation Tuesday at 7 p.m.
 - I'll be at choir rehearsal Wednesday.
 - I will be at the Maundy Thursday worship service at 7 p.m., as we revisit the Last Supper.
 - I will be at the Good Friday worship service at 12 p.m. this week.
- I will join in the Easter celebrations next Sunday:
- Breakfast (Anytime between 8:30-9:30)
 - Egg Hunt (9:30)
 - Easter Worship (10:00)
 - I can contribute fruit, bread, or a breakfast casserole for Easter breakfast.
 - I've got May 5 on my calendar for our next speaker series event. The speaker will further address the opioid crisis.
 - I'm praying for our church and our world.
 - Other: