



Worship for the Lord's Day

Palm/Passion Sunday

April 13, 2025

Our Calling

What is our charge?

Our charge is to create the church Jesus expects.

How do we live?

*We live to become more like Jesus,
bringing faith and life together.*

Who are we?

*We are a community where all people
can take root in love and grow in service.*

Rooted in Love. Growing in Service.

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GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please find the Friendship Pad and pass it down the pew so all may sign.

Please note Nursery is available in the Faith Ministries Building.

PRELUDE

Praise Him with Pipes

Logan

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 118

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever!

One: Let all who fear the Lord say,

All: God's steadfast love endures forever!

One: The Lord has answered our prayer

All: and become our salvation.

One: God's steadfast love endures forever!

All: Hosanna, hosanna! Let us worship God!

*HYMN 197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Following the Call to Confession please observe a moment of silent confession.

Triumphant God, we join the crowds of the ages in shouting your praises. While our lips give you glory, our lives seldom reflect your purposes. We sing easily of your greatness, but living faithfully is often beyond us. We hear of your salvation, yet sin is still close and real, daily leading us away from you.

Have mercy on us. Ride into our hearts with healing grace. Forgive what we have done and direct who we shall be. Lord, save us. Hosanna!

***DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS**

One: Friends, in the name of Jesus Christ,
we are loved and accepted, forgiven and freed.

All: Thanks be to God!

***THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you!

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE HYMN 196** refrain *All Glory, Laud and Honor*

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King. VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

PROCLAIMING

FIRST LESSON

Luke 19:28–40

ANTHEM

Let the Rocks Cry Out

Lloyd Larson

Adult Choir

SHARING THE FAITH WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

Children may participate in Children's Church or remain in the sanctuary during the sermon.

SERMON

***HYMN 198**

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty

ST. DROSTANE

SECOND LESSON

Luke 23:1–49

During the reading we will change paraments and vestments from purple to red.

Lent is a time of repentance and change, and the color for Lent is purple.

As today's "Hosanna!" moves toward Friday's "Crucify him!"

the color red signals the bloodshed and death of Christ.

RESPONDING

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Adapted from the *Confession of 1967*, 9.09

God's reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery which the Scriptures describe in various ways. It is called the sacrifice of a lamb, a shepherd's life given for his sheep, atonement by a priest; again it is ransom of a slave, payment of debt, vicarious satisfaction of a legal penalty, and victory over the powers of evil. These are expressions of a truth which remains beyond the reach of all theory in the depths of God's love for humankind. They reveal the gravity, cost, and sure achievement of God's reconciling work.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Offertory

El Shaddai

Hayes

***DOXOLOGY 218 v. 5**

Ah, Holy Jesus

HERZLIEBSTER JESU

Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee,
I do adore thee, and will every pray thee
think on thy pity and thy love unswerving
not my deserving.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY**

One: You have shown us, O God, the sacrifice that you desire.

Now use these gifts— and use our lives—

All: to liberate the oppressed,

One: to break the bonds of injustice,

All: to feed the hungry,

One: welcome the poor,

All: and unite the human family;

One: all in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Righteous God, as we celebrate Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, we know where the journey leads. We give thanks that you would willingly give so much of yourself so that we might know hope, and love, and salvation. Glory be to you, O God, for your loving sacrifice. In the days ahead, as we witness the deep night of your death, help us to remember your presence in its midst and hope for the resurrection dawn to come. Amen.

S E N D I N G

***HYMN 209**

My Song Is Love Unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Fugue from Toccata in E minor BWV 914

J. S. Bach

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Liturgy is from Call to Worship.

Leading and supporting worship today:

Preacher: Lisa Hebacker

Liturgist: Maggie Barlow

Chancel Guild: Erin Robbins

Counters: Karen Fink, Candy Tedrick

Children's Church: Debbi Freer

Nursery: Jen Judy, Rebekah Judy, Darlene Lovette

Director of Music: Terri Nicotera

Accompanist: John Tyson

Acolyte: Jacob Robbins

EIC: Megan Livengood

SRT: Danny Heater



WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We are glad that you are worshipping with us. A few things to know:

- God's children of all ages are welcome in worship. If your child would be more comfortable in the nursery, childcare is available in the Faith Ministries Building, located behind the Sanctuary.
- Hymn numbers refer to our hymnal, *Glory to God*, the purple book located in the pew rack. Blue pew Bibles are also available for your use.
- **Bold type** in this bulletin indicates all are invited to speak the corresponding words.
- An asterisk * indicates that you are invited to stand if you are able.
- Hearing assistance devices and large-print hymnals are at the rear of the Sanctuary.
- If you would like to have an NRPC nametag, email office@nrleighpc.org.
- The next new member joining date is **Sunday, June 8**.



Please note the office will be closed Monday, April 21 in observance of the Easter holiday.

Lisa will be on study leave April 21-27. Please contact your Deacon if you have a pastoral care need during this time.

NRPC NEWS AND EVENTS

Anniversaries: Mike and Roula Antoun 4/18

Birthdays: Ed Decker 4/14, Bill Dail 4/15, Wyatt Nicholas 4/15,
Rosemary Lunsford 4/16, Thomas Barlow 4/19, Diane Michaud 4/19

A photographer will be with us today as a part of our website re-development project. Some discrete photos will be taken during our worship service. If you'd prefer to be out of the photographer's line of sight, please sit in the sanctuary section closest to the parking lot. If you need to submit an opt out form regarding use of your or your family member's image, forms are available in the narthex.

Nutbush Presbyterian Church in Vance County needs donations for their giveaway. The Friday News contains more information. Contact Candy Tedrick with questions.

One Great Hour of Sharing: NRPC will receive the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering on **April 20**.

FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT

MARCH 31, 2025

	YR. TO DATE ACTUAL	YR. TO DATE BUDGET	YR TO DATE BUDGET %	YEAR TO DATE 2024
PLEDGES	123,717	100,913	122.60	116,400
NON-PLEDGES	7,905	8,750	90.34	8,398
LOOSE OFFERING	1,095	3,750	29.19	5,566
ALL OTHER INCOME	27,483	6,425		40,296
<i>TOTAL INCOME</i>	160,200	119,838	133.68	170,660
SALARIES & BENEFITS	75,078	72,945	103.00	87,168
BENEVOLENCES	5,151	9,896	52.00	3,379
UTILITIES	9,482	7,075	134.02	10,772
MORTGAGE	14,786	14,786	100.00	8,081
<i>TOTAL EXPENSES</i>	131,679	123,369	106.74	127,780
CASH FLOW	28,521	-3,531	807.69	42,880

THIS WEEK AT NRPC

Sunday 4/13	9:00 AM	Cornerstone Class (F)
	10:30 AM	Palm/Passion Worship Service (S, Y)
	11:30 AM	Youth Group (F)
	3:30 PM	Pioneer Class (F)
Monday 4/14	11:30 AM	Conference Room in Use (F3)
Tuesday 4/15	4:00 PM	Worship Committee Meeting (F)
	5:00 PM	Pack Lunches for Special Olympics (F)
	6:30 PM	Adult Bells (S)
Wednesday 4/16	10:00 AM	Staff Meeting (F)
	11:00 AM	Providing Lunch for Special Olympics (OFF)
	6:00 PM	Summer Mission Trip Meeting with Dinner (F)
	7:00 PM	Adult Choir (S)
Thursday 4/17	9:15 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study (F)
	10:30 AM	Joyful Ringers (S)
	11:15 AM	Tai Chi (F)
	7:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Worship Service (S)
Friday 4/18	7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study (Z)
	7:00 PM	Good Friday Tennebrae Service (S)
Saturday 4/19	9:30 AM	Ladies' Morning Coffee Talk (OFF)
Sunday 4/20	6:30 AM	Easter Sunrise Service (O)
	7:15 AM	Easter Sunrise Breakfast (F)
	9:15 AM	Intergenerational Breakfast (F)
	9:45 AM	Easter Activities and Egg Hunt (F, O)
	10:30 AM	Easter Worship Service (S, Y)

Legend: A=Admin F= Faith Ministries Building
 Y= You Tube S=Sanctuary N=Narthex Z=Zoom O=Outdoors OFF=Offsite

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