

The Worship of God

March 25, 2018 – *Palm/Passion Sunday*

Gathering

Sounding of the Trinity
Prelude

Trumpet Tune in Bb

Johnson/Hatt

As the prelude begins, let us prepare silently for worship.

Ritual of Friendship (Please pass the Fellowship Pad)
Concerns and Celebrations (8:30 - **Faith Chest** presented to **Max Bailey**)

Call to Worship (from Psalm 118 and Mark 11)

One: The Lord is merciful and gracious.

All: Slow to anger and abounding in love.

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

All: Hosanna in the highest!

+ Introit *Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!* Chancel Choir

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn #197 *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (From *Call to Worship* - Year B)

God our Redeemer, we confess that we are people of ashes and dust. We join the parade and shout hosanna, then deny our Lord in his hour of need. We wave the palms and sing praise, then hand our Savior over to die. Forgive us, God of grace. Our lives are in your hand-- deliver us from evil. Save us, by your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Assurance of God's Pardon

**The Gloria Patri* Hymn #581

The Offering

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *What Wondrous Love* Wood

**The Doxology* Hymn #223 – last verse of *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

*Prayer of Dedication

The Word

+Conversation with the Children Joyce Winkler
Old Testament Reading Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm Reading Psalm 31:9-16
+Anthem *Christ Jesus Now Is Fallen* (Dengler) Chancel Choir
Gospel Reading Mark 15:1-39
Sermon “**Suffering Servants**” Rev. John Causey

Response to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed see insert
+ Reception of 2018 Confirmation Class
Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Sending

*Hymn #213 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*
*Charge and Benediction
+Choral Response *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* (verse3) Chancel Choir
Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand
+ 11:00 Worship Service only

Calendar for the Week

Sunday	3/25	8:30am	Early Worship – <i>Palm Sunday</i>
		9:45am	Sunday School
		11:00am	Worship – <i>Palm Sunday</i> Confirmation Class Received
Thurs	3/29	6:00pm	Handbells
		7:00pm	Chancel Choir
		7:30pm	Maundy Thursday Worship Service - Communion
Fri	3/30	12:00pm	<i>Good Friday</i> - Stations of the Cross at St. James Episcopal C.
Sunday	4/1	8:30am	BEACH Worship – <i>Easter- One Great Hour of Sharing</i>
		9:45am	Sunday School
		11:00am	Worship – <i>Easter- One Great Hour of Sharing</i>

Copies of the weekly 11:00 Worship Service are available on CD in the Narthex as a courtesy to Members, Visitors, and those unable to attend

Attendance last Sunday: 8:30a.m. – 20; 11:00a.m. – 94

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to this service of Worship. Our prayer is that all will be blessed as we worship together. Visitors, please fill out a Visitor's Card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or give it to a Greeter as you leave worship. Thank you.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by **Dr. and Mrs. Jack Treadway** to the **Glory of God** in loving memory of **Edwin & Millie Warfield and Jerry & Margaret Treadway.**

These Days daily devotional for April-June are available on the bench in the Narthex.

Everyone is invited to participate in the **Stations of the Cross** on Good Friday, March 30. We will gather at noon at St. James the Fisherman Episcopal Church. You can stay in the Sanctuary or you can walk the 1 mile course on the sidewalks of Main Street.

Remember our 8:30 worship on Easter Sunday morning is at the Driftwood Access on Ocean Isle Beach — no foolin'.

REMINDER ☺ The **2018 Flower Calendar** still has **Available dates: May 27; June 17; Aug 12; Sept 9, 30 and Nov 4.** Thanks!

Prayer Concerns: Vicki Blount, Crystal Braxton, Lois Chadwick, Kat Cheves, Betty Church, Pat Dobbins, Marian Downer, Marie Greene, Marie Harrison, Christian Huffman, Carolyn Jenkins, Bill Kelly, Lesa Kolcun, Michael Kolcun, Lantz Lackey, Peggy Lackey, Ann Long, Jerry McCann, Martha Miller, Catherine Norman, Lucie Oakley, Gene Shannon, Wayne Smith, Seamus Smithwick, Steve Spoon and Bob Williams.



Rev. John Causey, Minister causeyoib@atmc.net

Barry Auman, Director of Music

Randy Warner, Organist/Pianist

Joyce Winkler, Qualified Ruling Elder

Dr. Les & Dr. Christy Morgan, Missionaries in Bangladesh

REMEMBER THE CHURCH IN YOUR WILL