

Worship on the Lord's Day
First Presbyterian Church of Ada, Oklahoma

March 29th, 2026

Palm Sunday

10:45 am

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.

Psalms 118: 19

Prelude

Sunnie Baker

Acolytes Lighting of the Candles

***Call to Worship⁺**

Bonnie Zaunbretcher

“Hosanna!” They shouted. “Save us!”

“Hosanna!” **We’re shouting. “Save us!”**

Savior, ride into our hearts again,

wash us with excitement and hope,

give us a reason to praise

and to shout again, “Hosanna! Hosanna!”*

Hymn 197 – Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Children’s Time

Jane Baltimore & Kay Shaw

The Greeting

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Passing of the Peace

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Confession, Unison

**Holy Christ, we confess that amidst all the Palm Sunday crowds,
we find ourselves in more turmoil than triumph.**

Our faith is unsteady. Our wisdom is eroding.

Our resolve is shaken. Our mercy is hardening.

Our hope is weakening. Come again and save us from these sins.

**Give us strength to follow you, our humble Savior, our wise fool,
our all in all. Amen. (continue in silent personal confession)**

And all God's people said,

Amen!

***Assurance of Pardon⁺, Responsive**

Hear this promise: Jesus has set his face toward the cross.

Nothing we can do can deter him.

He has determined that we are worth saving.

**By the power of the cross, by the power of wondrous love, we are
forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

***Affirmation of Faith, Unison**

The Apostles' Creed

Anthem

**We Hear the Word
Beneath the Cross**

Chancel Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Holy Spirit, share with us your wisdom; gift us with your hope; sustain us with your truth. Be in our hearing and our thinking, that through the words of Scripture we might know your call on our lives. Amen.

Bible Reading

Galatians 5: 22

22 By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness,

***Hymn 632 – I've Got Peace Like a River**

Bible Reading

Joshua 21: 45

⁴⁵ Not one of all the good promises that the LORD had made to the house of Israel had failed; all came to pass.

Romans 4: 20-21

²⁰ No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

Hymn 838 – Standing on the Promise

Bible Reading

Revelations 22: 1-2

Then the angel^[a] showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² through the middle of the

street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life^[b] with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

Hymn 375 – Shall We Gather at the River

We Respond

The Lord’s Prayer, (saying “debts”, and “debtors”)

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.

Offerings, and Offertory

Hymn 606 – *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

We Bless Each Other on the Way

***Hymn 840 – It is Well With My Soul**

Benediction, Spoken

***Benediction, Sung, - Unison**

**May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see God’s face, full of grace forever.
May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.**

Postlude

*Please stand in body and/or in spirit
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WELCOME to First Presbyterian Church. We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today.

SERVING TODAY

Liturgist: Bonnie Sue Zaunbretcher

Children's Time: Jane & Kay

Greeters/Offering:

Audio:

Video:

Worship Committee Member of the Month: Mindy Choate

Elder of the Month: Bonnie Sue Zaunbretcher

THE FLOWERS ON THE CHANCEL are displayed to the glory of God.

TO REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS Pastor Nominating Committee members; the Weems family, Adam Hampton, Larry Matlock(Haley Hoyts father), Jane Baltimore; the Family of Grethe Thompson; Zack Mailey; Patti Elliott; Tim and Holly Koster; Carol Peshehonoff; Cheryl Weems; Mrs. G. Clayton; Mindy Choate; Bob Neman; Kurt Jackson; Linda Wells; Pamela Jackson; Dian Maloy; Susan Haney; all people impacted by cultural violence, and natural disaster.

NOTES AND NEWS

TODAY'S SERVICE IS LED BY Bonnie Sue Zaunbrecher. Bonnie Sue Zaunbrecher was born and raised in Ada Oklahoma. At a young age Bonnie Sue became a Christian and began her walk in the faith. She took to heart the call to serve others, and as a child she read and studied her bible, asking questions and learning from family and church leaders. While going through elementary, secondary and her college career the friendships made and career choices, followed a thematic path, know God and serve him to the best of your ability while interacting with others. Bonnie Sue by personality

is warm and charming, she loves “her people” and is fiercely loyal to the members of her community. Though she has traveled out of state for a few years and lived in several beautiful towns, as a single young adult, once married and her family having been established, she felt the call to bring them home, to Ada. She and her husband Lorenz, children Augustus and Hattie, are now living and building their life together here in Oklahoma.

Just a friendly reminder that today is the last day to submit your Easter Lily orders.

Pledge cards are available next to the bulletins in the Narthex. Because of your generosity, First Presbyterian Church continues to be a place of worship, care, and community.

Holy Week is upon us, and we would like to remind and welcome everyone to attend our upcoming services. Please join us for the following services:

Maundy Thursday service April 2nd at 6:30 pm

Good Friday April 3rd at 7:30 pm

Easter Services April 5th at regular time

Our Easter celebration will be extra joyous, as we welcome to include the confirmation service and celebrate the baptism of 4 of the youngest church family members.

Communion has been postponed to April 12th.

BIRTHDAYS

Regina Robertson – Mar. 31st

Judy Smith – Apr. 2nd

Karsten Thompson – Apr. 4^{thre}