John 12:12-19

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. 13 So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" 14 And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

15 "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming,

sitting on a donkey's colt!"

16 His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. 17 The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. 18 The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. 19 So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

Notes

Questions for Reflection & Discussion:

- 1. What details stand out to you about the crowds' actions, and what do you think those actions mean?
- 2. What details stand out to you about Jesus' actions, and what do you think those actions mean?
- 3. When you think of your own response to Jesus' kingship, who in the passage are you most like? The crowds? The Pharisees? The disciples?

Family Business

Upcoming:

Sunday 4/13

8:45 am – Service / Sanctuary

9:45 am – Sunday Morning Classes

9:45 am - Service / Multi-Purpose Room

11:00 am – Service / Sanctuary

Monday 4/14

5:00 pm – Building & Grounds Committee Meeting / Room 114

Tuesday 4/15

6:30 pm – Men's Bible Study / Room 015

Wednesday 4/16

6:00 pm – Adult Pickleball / Gym

6:15 pm – Bell Choir Rehearsal / Bell Choir Room

6:30 pm - Youth Encounter / Youth Lounge

7:15 pm – Chancel Choir / Choir Room

Thursday 4/17

11:00 am – Prayer Meeting / Chapel

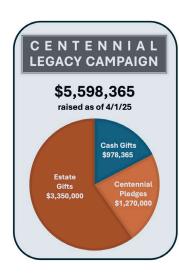
6:00 pm – Maundy Thursday Service / Sanctuary

Friday 4/18

12:00 pm – Women's Table Talk / Room 114

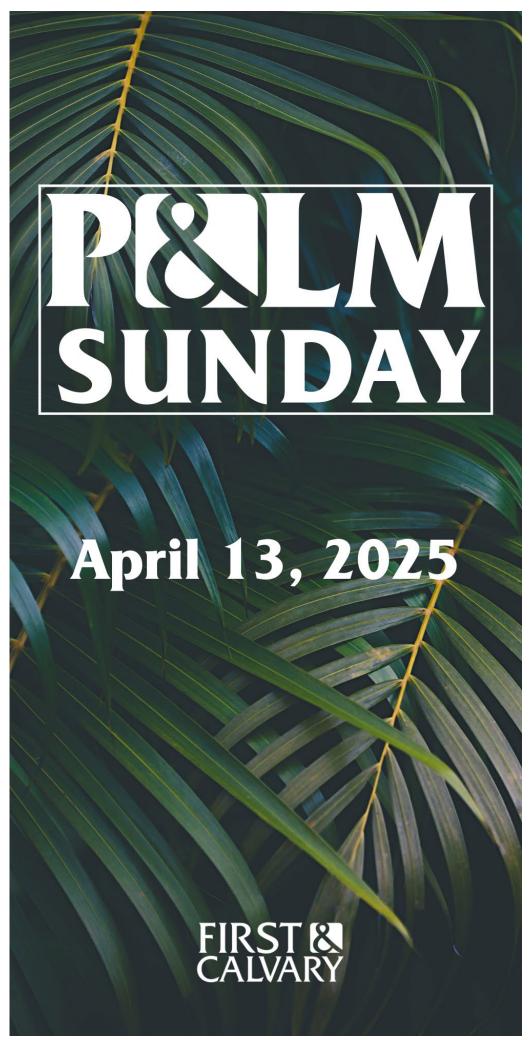
Redemptive Remembering: Join Pastor Don Everts every Thursday in May (1:00-2:00 PM, Room 020) for a spiritual autobiography workshop. Learn what the Bible has to say about remembering and use each week's prompt to reflect fruitfully on your past.

Legacy Campaign Update: As of April 1, 34 households have pledged or given \$5,598,365 to the Legacy Campaign, supporting the long-term mission of First & Calvary through the Foundation. Two households have chosen to name rooms in honor of their gifts—the Prayer Room and a classroom will soon display plaques recognizing their legacy. Thank you for building a lasting future with us!



New to First and Calvary? Welcome! Grab a gift bag at the exits to enjoy some goodies and learn more about our church. Please sign the Friendship Pad to connect with us. Children are always welcome in the service! Worship bags are available at each entrance. Parents can use the Baby Break Room or the first-floor nursery. Kids ages 3–3rd grade can join *Worship and Wonder* after the Children's Message—check in near the front left sanctuary exit.

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The House of Prayer

Prelude

Call to Worship | Kyleigh Hendrix Linda Brammer

Leader: Blessed is the ruler who comes in the love of God.

All: Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!

Amid the powers of this world, Christ comes humbly, riding on a donkey.

Christ alone is our savior and our sovereign.

Christ, we thank you. We honor you. We follow you.

God of love and justice, we worship you.

Hosanna!

*Opening Hymn

203 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Words: Jeanette Threlfall, 1873, alt.

Music: Gesangbuch der H. W. K. Hofkapelle, 1784

Confession of Sin

Gracious God, having heard your Word, we thankfully remember the life of our Lord Jesus Christ on this earth. Yet we also acknowledge our failure to respond earnestly and faithfully to his witness. We often mistake Jesus for a mere earthly king, friendly companion, or problem-solver, failing to see him as the ruler of all creation. We do not appreciate the depth of his passion and sacrifice on the cross, failing to acknowledge him as our way of salvation. Even in this Lenten season, we have not walked faithfully in the way of Jesus Christ. Forgive us, we pray, and bring us ever more fully into the joy of union with Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 817

Hear Our Prayer, Oh Lord

Words: Based on Psalm 143:1 Music: George Whelpton

Declaration of Forgiveness

Let those who fear the Lord say,

"His steadfast love endures for ever."

Out of my distress I called on the Lord;

the Lord answered me and set me free.

The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

I shall not die, but I shall live,

and recount the deeds of the Lord.

In Christ, God answers us and sets us free!

In Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

-based on Psalm 118:4-5, 14, 17, NRSV

Hymn 805

Glory be to the Father

Words: Gloria Patri Music: Henry Greatorex

Invitation to Offering

Offertory | Bell Choir & Chancel Choir

Behold, Your King, He Comes

Words: Elizabeth Owen Music: Faith Zimmer

*Doxology

Hymn 809

*Offering Prayer

Time for Children | Emily Phillips

Jesus Loves Me

Oh How I Love Jesus

Children who have checked into Worship & Wonder may be released after this time.

Scripture | John 12:12-19

See Scripture Panel

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon | **Rev. Don Everts**

Behold, Your King is Coming!

Confession of Faith | The Apostles' Creed

Hymn No. 14

Anthem | Chancel Choir

Antiphon

Words and Music: Robert C. Bennett

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution & Communion

Pastoral Prayer 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.

*Closing Hymn

213 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Words: Isaac Watts, 1707

Music: Lowell Mason, 1824, based on plainsong

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

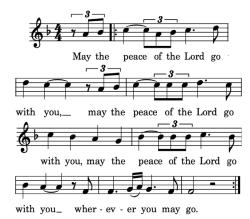
841 May the Grace of Christ Our Savior

Words: John Newton, 1799 Music: Corner's Gesangbuch, 1631

*Benediction Response

May the Peace of the Lord

Words and Music: The Porter's Gate



*Postlude

11 am service in green, 8:45 am service in purple, *Please stand if you are able