

WORSHIP SERVICE

Palm Sunday
April 2, 2023

Prelude
Sam Taber

Welcome and Call to Worship

Opening Hymns

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (#297)
Hosanna (#296)

Opening Prayer

Special Music

Phil Beaudoin
On My Cross

Communion

Worship Songs

Hosanna (Praise is Rising)
My Savior, My God
Here I Am to Worship

Message

Pastor Thom Christian

Closing Song

Before the Throne of God Above

Benediction



Following our service, someone will be available at the front of the sanctuary to pray with you or to just simply hear your heart, should you wish.

OUR VISION AND MISSION

To be a biblically mature, grace-based church.

We will accomplish our vision by:

Reaching Up

through worship, exaltation, and prayer;

Reaching In

through preaching, teaching, and fellowship;

Reaching Out

through evangelism, missions, and social outreach, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.

ALWAYS HAS, ALWAYS WILL

Thanks so much for worshipping with us today. As you leave, please go with the knowledge that God loves you! He always has; He always will. No matter what's gone wrong in your life, He'll accept you just as you are—no questions asked. He loves you, period! All He asks is your love in return. So today—right now—why not tell Jesus in your own words that you love Him. When you do, He promises to give you His peace, begin a beautiful change in you, and that He'll always be there for you—always has, always will!

CHURCH PERSONNEL

AV ..Ben Shaner, Peter Pijoan, Sam Frazier, Sam Taber,
Beverly Funk

CouncilRichard Frazier, Jan Hawes, Susan Kifer,
Bob Kline, Bruce MacGregor, Ben Shaner,
Pastor Thom, Pastor Dave

Auditor..... Len Peterson

Benevolence Fund..... Bruce MacGregor

Communion Preparation..... Nancy Watkins

Compassion Ministry Jerri Dempster

Facilities Richard Frazier

Kitchen Ministry Phyllis Forsythe, Sue Bennett,
Cynthia Torosian, Brenda Berube

Library .. Sarah Charles (Adults), Bev Funk (Children)

Missions Shirley Lymburner

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Operation Christmas Child Sam Frazier

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Sew Blessed..... Bette Frazier

Sexton..... Dale Mundo

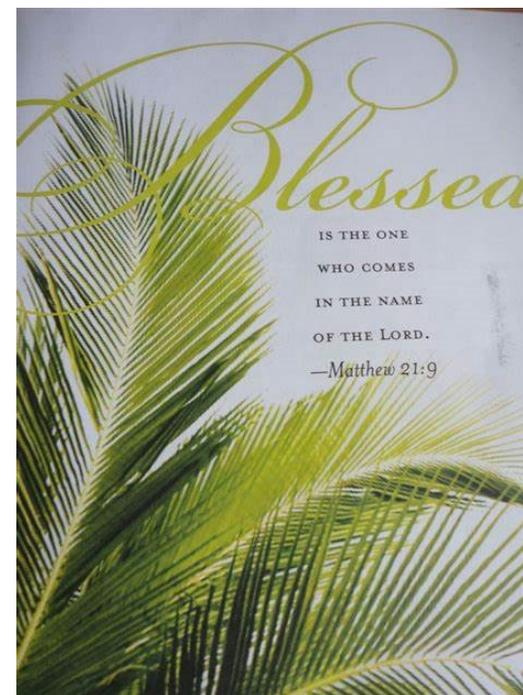
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**“A Passion for God,
Compassion for People”**

A WORD TO OUR VISITORS

We are so happy you have joined us this morning. Our hope and prayer is that you will feel welcomed and encouraged as we worship our God, learn from His Word, and experience His love to begin a wonderful week.

If we can help you in any way, please let us know. We are here to serve you.

If you fill out an Information Card, located in the pew holders or on the chairs, and drop it in the offering plate, we can send you additional information of our church.

Thank you so much for being our guest!

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Today	10:00 AM	Worship Service Live Streaming Kidz' Zone Nursery (ages 0-3)
	11:00 AM	Fellowship Hour
	11:15 AM	Choir Practice
Mon	12-1:00 PM	AA
Tues	12-1:00 PM	AA
Wed	10:30 AM	Women's Bible Study
	12-1:00 PM	AA
	6:30 PM	Worship Team Rehearsal
Thurs	12-1:00 PM	AA
	7:00 PM	Sermon Discussion Group
Fri	12-1:00 PM	AA

SERMON NOTES

"A MATTER OF FACT!"
(Luke 24:1-12)
Pastor Thom Christian

Question: Does the Resurrection matter?? That is an important question! So let's look at it together this morning, because not only is it important, but it is also *imperative*. **Does the Resurrection matter?**

FIRST, THE RESURRECTION MATTERED A GREAT DEAL TO JESUS.

- It vindicated His **words**

- It vindicated His **works**

POINT: You can't have the Gospel without all 3 parts: *He died, He was buried, He arose.*

The Resurrection is what validates the work of Messiah.

- It verifies His **worth**
He brought the power over death.

THE RESURRECTION MATTERED A GREAT DEAL TO JESUS' CRITICS.

- Why? Because the Resurrection is the central truth of the good news—the Gospel!

- Christianity is built upon the truth of a risen, living Lord. The Resurrection gives us not only a future *hope*, but a future *home*.

DOES THE RESURRECTION MATTER TO YOU?

NEXT WEEK: "Welcome Home, All is Forgiven"
(John 20, 1 Peter 1:3)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

STARTING TODAY we will no longer pass offering plates during the worship service. We will have offering boxes available in the foyer and the fellowship hall. Thank you to Ed Graham for making these beautifully handcrafted wooden boxes.

THE CHOIR will rehearse this morning following the worship service.

YOU'RE INVITED!

When? Good Friday, April 7, 6:30 to 8 PM
Where? The church Fellowship Hall
What? An informal time of teaching and sharing about the significance of the *Upper Room dialogue*, as well as the *Crucifixion* and *Resurrection*, based on the Book of John. Hope to see you there! Feel free to bring a friend!

THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL ON EASTER. Greeters will have coloring sheets and crayons available for the younger children.

THERE WILL BE NO FELLOWSHIP HOUR on Easter Sunday. Enjoy this special day!

THE FCC LIBRARY is featuring a collection of Easter themed DVDs and books. The DVDs "Passion of the Christ," "Ben-Hur," "Barabbas," "Risen," and others are available to sign out. Happy Easter!

IT'S TIME TO UPDATE our Church Directory! If you were not included in last year's directory and would like to be included in this year's, or if your information has changed in any way, please fill out and return the enclosed insert.

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE for the First Christian Church Pay It Forward Scholarship for higher education. To qualify, you must be accepted into an academic degree program, First Christian Church must be your home church, and you must be actively serving the church. Please contact the church office for an application. Applications will be due May 1, 2023. If you have any questions, please call Beverly Funk or the church office at 603-569-4272.