

# UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**April 13, 2025**  
**Palm / Passion Sunday**



“Jesus provided us with no old or new ‘concept’ of the kingdom of God at all.  
He brought God’s kingdom himself.” — Jürgen Moltmann

**Sunday Worship**  
**10:00 am**



**Office Hours**  
**Tuesday – Friday**  
**8:30 am – 12 Noon, 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm**  
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330 Fifth Avenue Southwest  
Albany, OR 97321

## We Gather in God's Name

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**Introit** "Hosanna" UPC Children

**Welcome & Announcements** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**+ Invitation to Worship** On this day, Jesus marched  
**in between the city walls and the Temple,**  
**in between joyful Hosannas and doubtful whispers,**  
**in between oppressive poverty and greedy power,**  
**in between rampant fear and expansive hope.**  
 On this day, Jesus marched in between what had been and what could be.  
**So may we meet Christ in that liminal space.**  
 Hosanna in the highest!  
**Hosanna in between!**

**+ Gathering Hymn 196** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

## We Offer Our Gratitude

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**Community Prayer** Holy God, Rich Sipe  
**Sometimes it's hard to hear you over the hosannas.**  
**Sometimes it's hard to hear you over our racing thoughts.**  
**Sometimes it's hard to hear you in this noisy world.**  
**So help us to hear what is yours.**  
**Help us to hear your song, your story, your good news.**  
**Help us to hear your voice, your Spirit, your will.**  
**Help us hear how you walk headfirst into the world's suffering,**  
**how you do not shy away from the truth,**  
**how you are bold in seeking justice,**  
**and humble in taking power.**  
**Show us that you are always carrying us from the pain of the world into**  
**the hope of a new day.**  
**That is where you, our God, is headed.**  
**That is where we follow.**  
**Amen.**

**Sung Response 425** "Son of God, Whose Heart Is Peace"

**+ Sharing the Peace of Christ** May the peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
*As you are willing and able, please greet one another with signs of peace.*

## We Listen & Receive

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### Time with the Young Church

*Children of all ages are invited to come forward.  
Nursery and Children's Worship info is on the back of the bulletin.*

**Scripture Reading**      Luke 19:29-40  
This is the gospel of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem**                      "Hosanna!" *by Joel Raney*

**Sermon**                      "Shouting & Silence" Brandon Lewis

## We Respond to God's Grace

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**Hymn 443**                      "There Is a Redeemer"

### Invitation to Give

*We are grateful for the gifts of time, talent, and treasure that you share.  
We offer each person an opportunity to connect with giving by placing at least one \$1 in the offering plate.  
As we give faithfully, each faithful \$1 will bless the ministry of UPC.*

### Offertory

**+ Presentation of Gifts  
& Hymn 606**                      "Doxology"

### Sharing Joys & Concerns

*At the conclusion of spoken joys, let us pray together, "Thanks be to you, O God."  
For concerns, let us make them our own by praying, "Lord, hear our prayer."*

### Community Prayer & 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.**

## We Are Sent in God's Love

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**+ Closing Hymn 223**                      "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

### + Benediction

### Postlude

## Welcome

We are delighted that you have added to the joy of worship this morning at United Presbyterian Church. We proclaim that ALL people are created in the image of God and affirm that each person is a beloved child of God, worthy of God's love and grace. We welcome all, celebrating our differences while finding unity in Jesus Christ. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey - whatever grief, joy, or doubts you may bring today—you are welcome here.

## Announcements

### LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

Join us for soup, bread and fellowship Thursday evenings at 5:30pm in the Round Room through the season of Lent. The first soup supper started March 13 and will conclude on Maundy Thursday, April 17 with a special communion service. Sign-up sheets are available on the information table to bring soup, bread, or help facilitate set-up and cleanup each week.

## Upcoming Events

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 13</b>
<b>8:30am</b>	Praise Band Practice
<b>9:00am</b>	Choir Practice
<b>10:00am</b>	Sunday Worship
<b>11:30am</b>	Session Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>April 16</b>
<b>5:30pm</b>	Operational Board Meeting
<b>5:30pm</b>	Youth Group
<b>7:00pm</b>	Choir Practice
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>April 17</b>
<b>12:30pm</b>	Yoga
<b>2:00pm</b>	PEO CF
<b>5:30pm</b>	Soup Supper
<b>6:00pm</b>	Maundy Thursday
<b>6:45pm</b>	ACT Practice
<b>Friday</b>	<b>April 18</b>
<b>7:00pm</b>	Good Friday Service

## Serving Today

Thank you to all who served in worship today.

**Liturgist**— Rich Sipe  
**Ushers**—Judy Tichenor, Carol Harrison, Sue Van Meter and Sharon Lichti.  
**Coffee Hour**—Birthday Cake  
**Children's Programs**— Meredith Hanson, Estella Riddle, Tarryn Scroggins, Melissa Sipe and Logan Breese.

## Children's Programs

We are thrilled that you have chosen to bring your family to worship with ours! We believe children soak up the love of God even when they draw and color, read and create, or rest their head in your lap. Please feel welcome to visit our Children's Space located in the Round Room in the back of the sanctuary.

### Children's Nursery up to Age 3

The nursery (Room 208) will be available for infants—age 3 during worship services. Children can be dropped off any time after 9:30am and picked up following worship.

### Godly Play

#### Age 4 – Grade 2 | Godly Play

As a continuation of worship, Godly Play is a formational practice of exploring the mystery of God's inviting presence in our lives, teaching children how to listen for God and then to make authentic and creative responses to God.

### Creative Minds

#### Grade 4+ | Youth Room

Creative Minds is a formational practice for older children and youth to engage, explore, and re-create the fascinating biblical stories of our faith through the world of Minecraft technology.

## Local Outreach | Ways to Serve

**Linn Benton Food Share**—Packing boxes of food for families who suffer from food insecurities. The next time will be **Thursday, TBD at 5:00 - 7:00 pm** at the Linn Benton Food Share Warehouse, 33900 Looney Ln., Tangent, OR 97389.

## Prayers & Praise

**Please send prayers of comfort and healing for:**

Ashley Cary  
Melody Drown-Parker  
Ramona Holmes  
Bill and Chrys Hulshof  
Lindsay Jones & Parker Jones  
David Mote  
Linda Melikian  
Caryl & Denny Thomas's Family - Cory Whitney  
The family of Wayne Chambers

### CHURCH STAFF

Brandon Lewis, *Pastor*  
Tami Van Ras, *Pastoral Assistant*  
Sienna Bogart, *Director of Children's Place*  
Meredith Hanson, *Children's Ministries Director*  
Deborah Beier, *Office Manager*  
Kason Stevens, *Facilities-Manager*  
Michelle Mayers, *Music Coordinator/Choir Director*  
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Chris Misa, *AV Tech*  
Logan Breese, *Bus Driver*