PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

CLOSING HYMN #216 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Nate Welsh, Music Director

BENEDICTION

Pastor and Congregation: As we leave this place, we will go into places that are in need of hope and encounter people who are not strangers to despair. May we go forth and walk with them, sharing God's love and ours. We go now in peace choosing to find ways to love and serve God and each other. Amen

POSTLUDE Festival Voluntary Flor Peeters

Worship has ended. Let Service begin. Please join us in Community Hall for fellowship, coffee & refreshments.

Following fellowship you're invited to join us for 2^{nd} Hour presentation:

Local Concern: The Elizabeth Freeman Center

The EFC will describe their role in north county and explain the changing character of their needs as they minister to our neighbors.

Ways to Connect with Rev. Deanna:

Rev. Deanna schedules individual meetings by appointment.

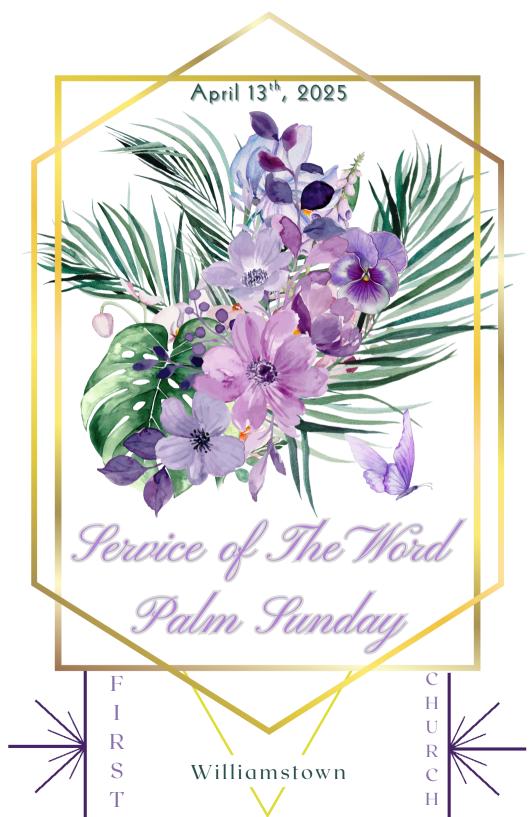
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Deacon at the Door: Gail Oberst

Reader: Lauren Stevens

Greeters: Charles Fox & Kyle Tong

Flowers: Phil Smith



ANNOUNCEMENTS and JOYS & CONCERNS

INTROIT Hosanna Processional

Joseph M. Martin

FCC Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP/INVOCATION (from Psalm 118)

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good; **People: God's steadfast love endures forever!**

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected Has become the chief

cornerstone.

People: This is the day that the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and

be glad in it.

Leader: Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!

People: Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of

the Lord.

Leader: O give thanks to God, for God is good;

Everyone: God's steadfast love endures forever! Let us worship

God.

HYMN #213 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor and Congregation: On this Palm Sunday, as we remember Your triumphant entry into Jerusalem, dear Jesus, let us also remember the path that lay before You. Fill our hearts with the humility and faithfulness that You displayed. Teach us to follow Your example of selfless love, to praise You in our hearts and with our lives. Amen

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE #223, v.1

What wondrous love is this! O my soul! O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this! that Christ should come in bliss

To bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,

To bear the heavy cross for my soul!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29, Luke 19:28-40

Lauren Stevens

REFLECTION Rev. Deanna Shorb

Senior Minister

HYMN #218 Ah, Holy Jesus

INVITATION TO GIVING

Deacon and Congregation: All that we have, all that we are, is a gift from God. Let us in turn offer our gifts—in time, talent, and treasure— to God's work in the world. Amen.

ANTHEM Blessed be the Lord, my Rock Abbie Betinis

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above ye heavenly host,

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

TIME OF SILENCE

PRAYER OF DEDICATION