

Hillside Presbyterian Church

PALM SUNDAY

April 14, 2019

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Sylvia Wilson

Liturgist: Elder Janice Peters

Music Director: Ms. Bernice Hall

LET US APPROACH GOD

(“*” Indicates those who are able will stand; “#####” Indicates Ushers will seat persons arriving late)

PRELUDE *Ride On, Jesus (arr. Roland Carter)* Organist

CHIMING OF THE HOUR Chime Choir

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

*INTROIT AND PROCESSIONAL WITH PALMS Liturgical Dancers/Choir/Congregation

Hosanna, Blessed Is He who Comes in the name of the Lord (arr. E. Cureton)

(Please stand and remain standing until Call to Worship is finished.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP *(Please Stand)* Elder Janice Peters

Liturgist: Open to us the gates of righteousness!

People: Let us enter to praise the Lord.

Liturgist: Give thanks to God, who hears our cry.

All: The Lord has become our salvation. Amen.

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MUSIC SELECTION *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (arr. Kinyon B)* Handbell Choir

*OPENING HYMN *O'er All the Way (The Palms - Insert)* Choir/Congregation

*INVITATION TO CONFESSION *(Please remain standing)* Elder Janice Peters

L: "... [God is] waiting to be gracious to you, yearning to have pity on you. Blessed are all who wait for the Lord." *(Isaiah 30:18)*

SERMON

The Greatest Prayer

LET US RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

(Please come forward if you would like to receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior, become a member of Hillside, or rededicate your life to Christ. You can also speak to the pastor or an Elder after the service.)

*INVITATIONAL HYMN *He Looked Beyond My Fault (No.249, AAHH)* Choir

*UNISON AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Nicene Creed (Ecumenical) (pg.15, PH)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father (and the Son), who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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GIVING OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS AND PLEDGES

OFFERTORY *My Tribute* Bryan Crawford, trumpeter

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom...(No. 651, AAHH)* Choir/Congregation
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF GIFTS AND SELF

*CLOSING HYMN *Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone (No.554, AAHH)* Choir/Congregation

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

On the back of a donkey, Jesus came to bless us. With a love that did not count the cost, Jesus came to heal us. From hopelessness and despair, Jesus came to free us. With the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus came to save us.

*RESPONSE

Threefold Amen

No. 646, AAHH

POSTLUDE

Were You There?

Bernice Hall (soloist)

WORSHIP CONTINUES THROUGH OUR LOVE AND SERVICE

Acolyte: Faith Ector

Ushers: Shirley Anderson, Lelia Crawford, Norma McKenzie and Georgia Washington

Media Specialist: Justin Killings



ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Bulletin Submission Deadline: Wednesdays, 3:00 p.m.; CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM)

PLEASE BE COURTEOUS

Turn off and put away ALL mobile phones and any other devices with audible tones.

REMEMBER TO SIGN THE ATTENDANCE REGISTER

This is found on the end of each pew. Thank you.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY Join us in the Session Room, each Sunday through April 21st.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY: We will meet TODAY after service in the Session Room.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Contributions will be collected on both TODAY and Easter Sunday, April 21st.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE: Friday, April 19th at 7:00 pm in the Hillside Sanctuary. Please invite your friends to share in this important service as we prepare for Easter.

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT AT HILLSIDE Saturday, April 20th at 11:00 am. You may provide your **Easter Egg Hunt items TODAY at church or bring them to the church office on the 17th, 18th, or 19th** between 10:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. **Please arrive at 9 a.m.** to assist with hiding eggs Sunday and **bring:** candy filled **plastic** eggs (NO HARD BOILED EGGS); toys, games, and books for prizes; and family and friends. Please see Felicia Mitchell and Teena Cash Hargrove for questions or concerns. Thank you in advance for your participation.

HUNGER WALK RUN

Struggling families are counting on us. You can be their champion by joining Hillside Presbyterian Church for a family-friendly fun afternoon to help fight hunger on Sunday, April 28, 2019. Please see posters around church for more information.

SUNDAY'S LUNCHEON

Thank you to everyone who brought food, helped to set up and clean up to make Sunday's luncheon on April 7th a real success. It takes a village!

HILLSIDE FOOD PANTRY

In March of 2019, the Food Pantry served 121 households, a total of 305 persons. 3,526 pounds of food were distributed. Standing Request for First Sundays: Please bring loaves of bread on 1st Sunday and place cans of tuna, salmon, mackerel, herring, sardines, etc. inside the designated collection receptacle in the Narthex during Lent – thanks so much!

DEATH OF LONGTIME MEMBER (Al Pride)

Regrettably, on Wednesday April 3, 2019 Al Pride passed away unexpectedly...no additional details are available at this time. His wife requested we wait a day or so before calling or visiting to allow her and the family some time to come to terms with what has happened. Al was an educator both in the DeKalb County school system and as a church school teacher, mentor, and all-around good guy at Hillside...he will be missed. Please keep the family in your prayers and thoughts. As information is provided it will be shared.

GIVE FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP – 2019 FLOWER CHART POSTED

You may sign up for any of the available dates on the Flower Chart posted at the end of the long hallway/in the Narthex. After doing so, please place \$45 in the offering plate, with a designation for “[DATE flowers are to be acknowledged] Chancel flowers” on your offering envelope and/or check. To personalize your flower message for the Sunday bulletin, please forward your custom message to hillspc@bellsouth.net before or by 3:00 p.m. of the preceding Wednesday. Thank you very much!

Mission Statement

The mission of Hillside Presbyterian Church is that of the church universal: to advance the gospel of Jesus Christ for the salvation of humankind. We are committed to being an inclusive, intergenerational church by creating a caring, Christian community. Hillside reaches out to diverse ethnic and religious groups in our community and beyond to foster a better understanding of all people. We are a servant people, responding to those in need, doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with our God.

MINISTRY CHAIRPERSON ROLE & ELDERS BY CLASS	REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE
<i>Sarah Vaughan – Convener</i>	<i>Prayer Group: Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m. (Parlor)</i>
<i>Dorothy Hill – Co-Moderator Tonya Groomes - Co- Moderator</i>	<i>Presbyterian Women (PW): 4th Saturday, 10:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)</i>
<i>Alice Moore – C'2016 - 2019</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>
<i>Rev. Sylvia Wilson - Moderator Elder Norm Fikes - Clerk</i>	<i>Stated Session Meeting: 3rd Sunday, 1:00 p.m. (Session Room)</i>
<i>Dorothy Hill – Chair, C'2019 - 2021</i>	<i>Administration, Stewardship & Finance: 2nd MONDAY, 6:00 p.m. (teleconference)</i>
<i>Teena Cash Hargrove – Chair, C'2019 - 2021</i>	<i>Christian Education: 2nd Saturday, 10:00 a.m.</i>
<i>Monica Parker - Chair, C'2018 - 2020</i>	<i>Congregational Care: 2nd Sunday, 12:45 p.m. (Session Room)</i>
<i>Myra Miller – Co-Chair, C'2018 - 2019 Willie Anthony – Co-Chair, C'2017 - 2019</i>	<i>Social Mission: 3rd Saturday, 10:00 a.m. (Parlor)</i>
<i>Faye Fikes – Co-Chair, C'2018 – 2020 Erma Killings – Co-Chair, C'2019 - 2021</i>	<i>Evangelism & Communication: 4th Sunday, 12:45 p.m. (Session Room)</i>
<i>Jasman Howell – Chair, C'2018 - 2020</i>	<i>Worship: 5th Sunday, 12:45 p.m. (Session Room) and as needed</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Chancel Choir Rehearsal: Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. (Choir Room)</i> • <i>Chime & Handbell Rehearsals: Chimes: 4:30 p.m.; Handbells: 5:30 p.m. (BOTH rehearsals are held on Wednesdays, in the Bell Choir Room)</i>