

The background is a vibrant green with a complex, fibrous texture. In the lower portion, there are stylized palm fronds in a slightly darker shade of green, creating a layered effect. The text is centered and rendered in a bold, white, distressed font.

**ALL
GLORY,
LAUD, AND
HONOR TO THEE,
REDEEMER KING**

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Jackson, Tennessee**

April 14, 2019

PALM SUNDAY

9:30 AM

THE CHURCH GATHERS

PRAYER OF PREPARATION: *As the people spread their coats palm branches on the ground to welcome Jesus into Jerusalem, so we welcome him into our lives this morning. King of Glory, King of Peace, Servant King, reign in our hearts and lives this day and all days, that we might praise your holy name. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest! In His name we pray. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#*PROCESSION OF PALMS TO HYMN #196 *(Please stand at the introduction to the hymns.)*

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Elder Jeff Chambers

One: O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good;
God's steadfast love endures forever!

ALL: *God's steadfast love endures forever!*

One: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

ALL: *God's steadfast love endures forever!*

One: This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

ALL: *God's steadfast love endures forever!*

One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD!

ALL: *God's steadfast love endures forever!*

ACT OF PRAISE

*Wave Palm Branches
Launch Pad Kids*

TO PRAISE GOD AND CONFESS OUR SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Elder Jeff Chambers

Surely. I would never betray you, never deny you. Surely?

Beloved God, give me the faith to doubt my righteousness.

Give me the assurance to question, to examine myself honestly, to ask.

Give me the confidence to wonder how I might betray your perfect love, to see.

Give me grace to confess how my promises are broken, my heart broken.

Give me the peace to be troubled by my smugness, and repent.

Open my eyes to see that you see, you know, and knowing, you keep right on eating with me.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

RESPONSE: (*Hymn 227*)

Jesus, Remember Me

REMEMBER ME

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Elder Jeff Chambers

One: Hear the good news: “Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave...and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.” (Philippians 2:6,7a,8b) Through his obedience we are therefore freed from whatever sin enslaves us.

ALL: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen!*

#* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: : (*Hymn: 581*)

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

world without end. Amen, amen.

TO GIVE THANKS, PETITION AND INTERCESSION

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS

Rev. John White

William Jeffrey Harbin

Reaffirmation of Faith

Miranda Lynn Harbin

Profession of Faith and Baptism

Lana Joy Harbin

Sacrament of Baptism

Addie Brooke Harbin

Sacrament of Baptism

HYMN: 482 *Baptized in Water (stanza 3)*

BUNESSAN

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our King;

born of the Spirit, we are God's children; joyfully now God's praises we sing.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

ACT OF PRAISE

Lo, He Comes!

John D. Horman

BLAST! Children

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Rev. John White

(After the Time with Children, our young friends ages 4-2ND grade are invited to the Children's Church in the Education Building. An adult will escort the children. After church the children will be escorted to their appropriate Sunday School rooms. Grades 3-5 are invited to remain in the Sanctuary for worship.)

#*RESPONSE: (*Hymn: 197, first stanza*)

ELLACOMBE

Hosanna loud hosanna, the little children sang;

through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang.

To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,

The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

D365 Devotions

Elder Stacey McAdams

ANTHEM

Arise, My Soul, Arise

Forrest

Chancel Choir, with Audrey Davis on Violin

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (p.35 in front of hymnal)

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elder Jeff Chambers

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Zechariah 9:9-10 (pg. 884)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 19:28-40 (pg. 83)

One: This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

"Did Jesus Want to Die?"

Rev. John H. White

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from Philippians 2:5-11

Rev. John H. White

One: Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus.

ALL: *Who, being in the form of God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being made in human likeness.*

One: And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled himself and became obedient to death even death on a cross.

ALL: *Therefore, God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

At this time, please find the red friendship pad located toward the center isle on each pew, sign it, pass it down your row and back again, taking note of those who worship with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

God So Loved the World

Scott

Chancel Choir, with Audrey Davis on Violin

*Doxology (Tune: 607)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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.*

*Dedicatory Prayer

Elder Jeff Chambers

TO GO OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN OF DEDICATION: 215** (stanzas 1 & 2 by choir; stanzas 3 & 4 by congregation)

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION:**

Seven Fold Amen

Rutter

Chancel Choir

***ORGAN POSTLUDE**

Hymn Prelude on RATHBUN

Bingham