

**PALM SUNDAY**  
**April 1, 2007**

Prelude and Acolyte

Welcome and Announcements

The Gathering (*On the front steps for all who wish to be in the Processional*)

Call to Worship

Leader: *Hosanna to the Son of David.*

People: **Hosanna in the Highest!**

Leader: *Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.*

People: **Hosanna in the Highest!**

Leader: *The Lord is my strength and my power!*

People: **The Lord has become my salvation!**

All: **This is the day which the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

\* Processional Hymn 267 “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

*Congregation sings as children enter the Sanctuary, placing their branches in front of the Communion table*

Call to Confession, Prayer of Confession

*Gracious God, we lift our voices to You, singing praises and lifting our hearts high. But inside, we hide from You. Often, we do not live lives that reflect Your glory, so we keep our distance from You. But You, O God, know who we are. You know what we hide. And You long to help us see ourselves, so that we might ask for forgiveness. Lord, give us strength to face ourselves and the grace that we might return to a right relationship with You.*

Assurance of Forgiveness

\* Gloria Patri

Hymn No. 734

Offertory and One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

\* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Anthem

“Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates”

Adult Choir

Musical Interlude: Children exit with Laura and Amanda McLamb to Children’s Church

Prayer Requests, Morning Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer (we pray debts & debtors)

Old Testament Lesson (read responsively)

Psalm 51

Leader: *Be gracious to me, O God, according to Your loving kindness;*

People: **According to Your abundant compassion, blot out my acts of sin.**

Leader: *Wash my wrongdoing from me and scour my sins from me;*

People: **For I am only too aware of my rebellion, and my sin is always in front of me.**

Leader: *I have sinned against You – You alone, and done what is displeasing in Your eyes.*

People: **And so You have a just case when You speak; blameless when You judge.**

Leader: *The truth is, I was born into sin,*

People: **And my mother conceived me in a sinful society;**

Leader: *Yet You desired my faithfulness in the womb.*

People: **And in my hidden heart, You have caused me to know wisdom.**

Leader: *Wash me with hyssop and I shall be clean;*

People: **Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.**

Leader: *Let me hear joy and gladness;*

People: **Let the bones You crushed rejoice.**

Leader: *Hide Your face from my sins and blot out all my wrongdoing.*

People: **Create for me a clean heart, O God, and re-create a generous and right spirit within me.**

Leader: *Do not throw me out of Your presence; and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.*

People: **Restore to me the joy of Your favor; and let a willing spirit sustain me.**

Leader: *You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; You do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.*

People: **The sacrifices acceptable to God are a broken spirit. A broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.**

All: **Open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise!**

\* Hymn No. 134

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

Gospel Lesson

Luke 19:28-40

Sermon

“What’s with all the Shouting?”

Rev. Lisa Nance

\* Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle’s Creed

Page 12, Red Hymnbook

\* Hymn No. 118

“Lord of the Dance”

\* Acolyte, Benediction and Postlude

*\* Signifies Congregation to stand*

**The Prayer List**

Jeff Anderson, Richie Andrews, Worth Bowman, Josephine Byrd, Stacy Byrd, Carol Clifton, Kim Creech, Lovie Dorman, Gene Glasgow, Larry Harris, Mary Hart, Sheila Ivey, Vernon Jackson, Chris Johnson, Lacy and Marilyn Johnson, Tim Lang, Betty Lou Lee, Carolyn Lewis, Lolita Matthews, Carol Mayben, Ed Miller, John O’Connell, Jim Parrish, Jenny Parsons, Mike Sanchez, Marni Sanft, Ella Sherrill, Harry and Betty Smith, Alice Stephenson, Mary Stephenson, and Suzanne Underwood.

### **Parking Lot Fundraising Progress Report:**

Goal:	\$100,000
Amount Received to Date:	<b>\$102,627.41</b>
Building Fund Contribution	\$35,000
Individual Pledges	\$35,900
Other Gifts	<u>\$32,352.41</u>
Total Pledges and Gifts	\$103,252.41

### **Assisting in Worship this Sunday:**

<b>Ushers:</b>	Andrea Jones and Crissy Porter
<b>Acolyte and Bell Ringer:</b>	Abigail Wood
<b>Infant Nursery:</b>	Stephanie Bagley and Kathy Wood
<b>Toddler Nursery:</b>	Carlos Bagley and Robbie Wood

### **Assisting in Worship next Sunday, April 8:**

<b>Ushers:</b>	Bob Dry, Dick Embrey, Hamilton Greene and Jeffrey Wood
<b>Acolyte and Bell Ringer:</b>	Kendall Nelms
<b>Children's Church:</b>	Mark and Pam Nelms
<b>Infant Nursery:</b>	Kay Dry and Pam Collier
<b>Toddler Nursery:</b>	Nell Franke and Heather White

### **Events for this week:**

**Today, Apr 1:** Children's Choir Rehearsal at 9:45 a.m.; Adult Sunday School Assembly at 9:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary, followed by Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. and Palm Sunday Celebration during Worship at 11:00 a.m. **Pioneer Clubs at 5:00 p.m. and Youth Group at 5:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday, Apr 3:** Men's Softball game at 7:30 p.m. at Creech Road Park

**Wednesday, Mar 28:** Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

**Thursday, Apr 5:** Maundy Thursday Service at 7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Apr 5:** Men's Softball game at 8:30 p.m. at Creech Road Park

**Saturday, Apr 7:** Youth Easter Celebration at 10:00 a.m.

**Sunday, Apr 8:** Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00 a.m. at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church; Children's Choir Rehearsal at 9:45 a.m.; Adult Sunday School Assembly at 9:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary, Sunday School at 10:00 a.m., and the Celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during Worship at 11:00 a.m.

### **Upcoming Events**

**April 10:** Stated Session Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**April 14:** Seekers Sunday School Class dinner in the Fellowship Hall. Fellowship begins at 6:00 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Laura McLamb or Georgeanna Phillips.

**April 15:** Boy Scout Eagle Scout Ceremony at 2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Everyone in the congregation is invited to attend

**April 17:** Presbyterian Women Daytime Circle meets at 10:00 a.m. and the Evening Circle meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall