

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Palm Sunday

March 29, 2026

Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor

Elder Bob Naumann, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude

"Hosanna to the Son of David"

Dr. Gilbreath

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome

*Call to Worship:

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

All: Hosanna in the highest!

One: What will we lay down as Christ passes by?

All: We have no cloaks today, but we will lay down our hearts, our hopes, and our lives.

One: As the crowds in Jerusalem cried out long ago, we echo,

All: Hosanna! Save us! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

*Hymn

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

#197

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Holy God, sure of your faithfulness even in your dying, comforted by your compassion toward your people in every age, we beg your mercy for our imperfect gratitude. We have looked to you for paltry favors, when you have given everything. We have withheld from your people, our neighbors, and from your creation, our Earth, the care and tending they deserve. We have rejected the cornerstone you sent to build a people of righteousness. Forgive our failings. Heal what we have broken, nurture what we have neglected, and lead us to your vision, so that we may know the peace of wholeness in you; in Jesus' name. Amen. (Silent Confession)

Hymn of Response

"Jesus Knows the Inmost Heart" refrain

#427

Assurance of Pardon

One: Your God has come to you, humble, in the form of a slave, to free you from the weight of sin and death. Jesus' obedient suffering has released you!

All: Our sins are forgiven, in the name of the one who is exalted beyond what we can comprehend: Christ, our Savior and Lord.

*Passing of the Peace

*Gloria Patri

#581

We Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Choir Anthem

"On That Day When He Rode into Jerusalem"

Scripture Reading

Matthew 21:1-11

Sermon

"Celebrate and Wait"

*Hymn

"A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd"

#200

We Respond to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Call for the Offering

(The offering plate is not passed, but is located on a stand outside the sanctuary doors.)

Offertory

"O Worship the King"

Dr. Gilbreath

*Doxology

#606

*Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

*Hymn	“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”	#196
*Benediction		
*Postlude	“All Hail King Jesus”	Dr. Gilbreath

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.

Calendar of Events:

Today – Pack Easter dinners after the service.

Mon., March 30 11:30 AM -12:30 PM Chat “N” Chew

Thurs., April 2 1:00 PM Caring Hands

6:00 PM Maundy Thursday Dinner/Good Friday Service

Sun., April 5 Easter Sunday

One Great Hour of Sharing offering

Mon., April 6 Church Office Closed

NAP Men’s Meeting – sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Guests

Welcome! It is a blessing to have you worship with us today. We warmly invite your participation in the worship, fellowship, and ministry of our congregation. The pastor is available to answer any questions you might have after worship, by email or phone. There is a place for you here.

Children’s activity bags are available from an usher for the sermon time. Please leave the bag in the pew as you leave. A nursery is provided for children 3 years of age and under.

Live Streams and recordings of each week’s worship service are available on our YouTube channel. For more information, visit us at www.standrewdeatur.org



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Scripture Reading, Bob Naumann: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Scripture Reading, Rev. Brogdon: Matthew 21:1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The

disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee