

FOURTH AVENUE CHRISTIAN CHURCH Pursuing Jesus...Sharing Jesus

March 28, 2021 (online)

9:45: Time of sharing and online fellowship

Prelude Michael
Welcome, Announcements, & Prayer Requests
Call to Worship Pastor Ken

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly hosts: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

O Come, Let Us Adore Him

O come, let us adore him (3x)...Christ, the Lord!

There is no doubt that as Jesus entered Jerusalem the week before he was crucified, he felt the presence of God. Likewise, let us enter into worship this morning calling for the Father to be close.

The crowds welcomed and cheered for Jesus. They presented their cloaks to the Son of God who was riding upon a donkey. Similarly let us remove whatever is covering us and reveal our weaknesses, our fears, our misunderstandings of the Father and all those around us, and open our hearts to His presence.

Let us sing to our King while confronting the world and the power it has over us. Let us worship today with God beside us, and just as He accepts us, let us open our hearts to the abandoned and oppressed, the broken and the sick...let us follow in solidarity the God who brings freedom and peace. Let us lay down our defenses and disguises at the feet of the One who sees us as we really are. Let us draw near to God, and just as Jesus did, let us ride with Him in triumph toward the Cross...shouting for joy at the promise of Christ's coming.

Shout to the Lord

Chorus: Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King. Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name. I sing for joy at the work of your hands, forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand. Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

Verse: My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you. All of my days I want to

praise the wonders of your mighty love. My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength, let every breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

O Magnify the Lord

Vs. 1: O magnify, O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together! O magnify the Lord; O magnify the Lord; and may His name be lifted high forever!

Chorus: King of kings and Lord of lords; may His name be lifted high forever! **Vs. 2:** O worship Him; O worship Christ the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together! O worship Christ, the Lord; O worship Christ, the Lord; and may His name be lifted high forever!

How Excellent Is Thy Name

How excellent is Thy name, O Lord; how excellent is Thy name! Heaven and earth together proclaim. How excellent is Thy name! (2x)

All Hail King Jesus

All hail King Jesus! All hail Emmanuel: King of kings, Lord of lords, Bright Morning Star. And throughout eternity I'll sing His praises, and I'll reign with Him throughout eternity.

Prayer Sonny

Poem: What Have We Learned

They shouted with praises, reaching the sky, pushing and shoving to see Jesus pass by.

Crying, "Hosanna! Hosanna! Glory to the King! He comes to us today, great joy He doth bring."

They threw down palm branches, covering the way, making a clear path for Him to travel that day.

Raising joyful voices, as praises filled the air, their day had come, God answered their prayer!

But, in a short time they changed their chant, from joyful noise, to a mob's hatefilled rant.

From "Hosanna, hosanna!", as when He was praised; to "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" as their anger blazed!

In disbelief we might question, "Why have they turned?" But maybe the question should be, "What have we learned?"

Open Our Eyes, Lord

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him.

Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Ken

The Lord's Prayer: Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Scripture: Mark 15:1-15

Very early in the morning the leading priests, the elders, and the teachers of religious law—the entire high council—met to discuss their next step. They bound Jesus, led him away, and took him to Pilate, the Roman governor. Pilate asked Jesus, "Are you the king of the Jews?" Jesus replied, "You have said it." Then the leading priests kept accusing him of many crimes, and Pilate asked him, "Aren't you going to answer them? What about all these charges they are bringing against you?" But Jesus said nothing, much to Pilate's surprise.

Now it was the governor's custom each year during the Passover celebration to release one prisoner—anyone the people requested. One of the prisoners at that time was Barabbas, a revolutionary who had committed murder in an uprising. The crowd went to Pilate and asked him to release a prisoner as usual. "Would you like me to release to you this 'King of the Jews'?" Pilate asked. (For he realized by now that the leading priests had arrested Jesus out of envy.) But at this point the leading priests stirred up the crowd to demand the release of Barabbas instead of Jesus. Pilate asked them, "Then what should I do with this man you call the king of the Jews?"

They shouted back, "Crucify him!" "Why?" Pilate demanded. "What crime has he committed?" But the mob roared even louder, "Crucify him!"

So to pacify the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He ordered Jesus flogged with a lead-tipped whip, then turned him over to the Roman soldiers to be crucified.

Message: "The Roller Coaster Ride" Pastor Ken

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

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Vs. 1: Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand, the shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land; a home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way, from the burning of the noon-tide heat, and the burden of the day.

Vs. 2: Upon that cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see the very dying form of one who suffered there for me; and from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess: the wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

Communion Meditation & Prayer

Pastor Ken & Jack

Offering Meditation

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Announcements/Benediction

Pastor Ken

You are Crowned with Many Crowns

You are crowned with many crowns and rule all things in righteousness. You are crowned with many crowns upholding all things by Your Word.

You rule in power and reign in glory! You are Lord of heaven and earth!

You are Lord of all! You are Lord of all!

Postlude Michael