

#### CONNECT TO TODAY'S ONLINE WORSHIP GUIDE: THIRDRVA.ORG/THIS-SUNDAY

Here we post current prayer concerns of those with health needs and those in need of comfort, the full scriptural text for today's service, a link to give online, and important announcements about the life of our church.

#### **GATHERING**

"PARTITA ON 'ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR'"
(MICHAEL BURKHARDT)

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP | FROM HABAKKUK 2:20

- > The LORD is in his holy temple;
- » Let all the earth be silent before him.

## CALL TO WORSHIP | FROM ZECHARIAH 9:9, PSALM 118:26

- > Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
- » Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
- > Lo, your king comes to you;
- » Triumphant and victorious is he,
- > Humble and riding on a donkey,
- » On a colt, the foal of a donkey.
- > Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
- » Hosanna in the highest!

#### PRAYER OF ADORATION

# "HOSANNA, LOUD HOSANNA"

Hosanna, loud hosanna the little children sang; Through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang. To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast, The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,
The victory palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

"Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing, For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

#### "HOSANNA"

I see the King of glory, coming on the clouds with fire. The whole earth shakes, the whole earth shakes. I see his love and mercy, washing over all our sin. The people sing, the people sing:

Hosanna, hosanna! Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna, hosanna! Hosanna in the highest. I see a generation rising up to take their place With selfless faith, with selfless faith. I see a near revival stirring as we pray and seek.

Heal my heart and make it clean,
Open up my eyes to the things unseen.
Show me how to love like you have loved me.
Break my heart for what breaks yours,
Everything I am for your kingdom's cause
As I walk from earth into eternity.

We're on our knees, we're on our knees.

### **CONFESSING**

#### "CRIMSON"

One choice

One tree

One fall for humanity

One lie

One liar

One bite is all death required

One great regret

One squandered chance, and yet

One hope

One day

One Name above all other names

One bridge between then and now

One way to discover how

One price

One tree

One drop of crimson covers me

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- Like the people who greeted Jesus as he entered Jerusalem and then later pronounced, "Crucify him," we are fickle people who often deny Christ in our thoughts, words, and deeds.
- » Help us see ourselves for what we are: sinners in need of a Savior, a Savior that we have in Christ. In honesty and hope, we confess now our sins to God.

#### SILENT CONFESSION

The Lord is steadfast, merciful, and slow to anger. He extends his mercy to us and receives us as we are. Let's bring our confessions to the Lord silently.

#### **WORDS OF COMFORT**

- > Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?
- » Only Christ.
- And Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; the new life has begun! Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.
- » Thanks be to God!

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- > O Lord our God, we bring you the needs of our world,
- » Broken by division and suspicion, by hatred and war.
- > We bring you the needs of our land,
- » The hungry and homeless, the wounded and despairing.
- > We bring you the needs of ourselves and our loved ones,
- » Seeking your peace and healing, your wisdom and protection.
- > For what else should we pray?

Share prayers aloud or in the chat section.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

- And now, gathering our prayers into one, we boldly pray as our Savior taught us, saying:
- » Our Father, who 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 for ever. Amen.

# GREETING OF PEACE

As a new spiritual family reconciled to one another through Christ, pass the peace of Christ to one another as you're able.

#### **THANKSGIVING**

# OUR OFFERINGS | FROM 1 CHRONICLES 29:14

- > Lord, who are we that we are able to give so generously?
- » For all things come from you and what we now offer is already yours.

Pray for Director Margie Satterfield and the Center for Christian Counseling as they pursue transformation in the lives of individuals, couples, families and congregations, providing therapy using Scripture combined with sound mental health practices.

Want to make a gift this morning? You can drop it in the basket in the Commons or give online at <a href="mailto:thirdrva.org/give">thirdrva.org/give</a>.

#### DOXOLOGY

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.

#### **PROCLAIMING**

# SCRIPTURE READING | GALATIANS 5:22-23; MATTHEW 16:21-26

Read along in your Bible or the online guide for this Sunday at <a href="mailto:thirs-sunday">thirdrva.org/this-sunday</a>.

SERMON | "SELF-CONTROL IN A TIME OF SELF-FULFILLMENT"

#### **SENDING**

#### "MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS"

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, his covenant, his blood Support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found, Dressed in his righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.

### COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION | TITUS 2:11-14

- For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope—
- » The appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

"HOSANNA, LOUD HOSANNA" (LANI SMITH)

# HOSANNA, LOUD HOSANNA

"LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS" HYMNAL #145



For an alternate arrangement see 679. For music in a higher key see 726

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# MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS

"LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS" HYMNAL #772



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