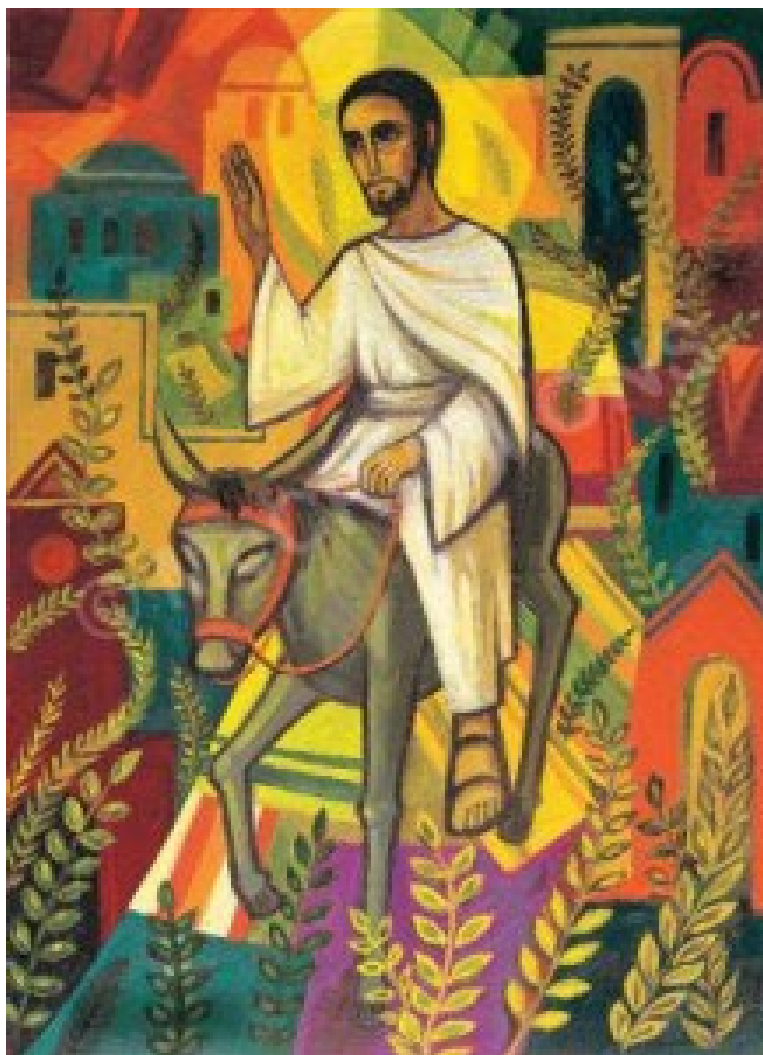


FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
WINTER PARK



God is still speaking,

*"a traditional and nurturing church celebrating God's grace through reason, education,
diversity, inclusion, and social justice"*

We are an Open and Affirming Church

Palm Sunday

APRIL 13, 2025

Masking is welcomed, but not required.

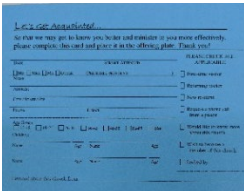
WELCOME

*This is the day that the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice because we are glad to be here!*



Sign the red attendance pad that is located in the pew seat near the center aisle and pass it to the next person.

We want to know that you were here!



Visitors may complete a “Let’s Get Acquainted” card, located in the pew racks, and place the card in the offering plate.

We are here to answer your questions!



SILENCE your technology but still “check-in” and use social media and share our website and portions of our worship that inspire you!



Continue to help us reduce our carbon footprint. If you are not receiving the bulletin via email, and would like to, please contact the church office – 407-647-2416. The bulletin can also be found on our website, fccwp.org. Go to the tab labeled “Bulletin” and locate the appropriate pdf file.



Continue to open up your ‘What’s Happening’ newsletter emails to keep up-to-date on all of the weekly and monthly events. Or visit our website at www.fccwp.org. There is a lot happening in the life of this church and you do not want to miss a thing!



If you have a **prayer need or a joy to share**, please fill out the white prayer request card located in the pew pockets and drop it in the collection plate. We will place your prayer need on our confidential prayer chain. If you wish to have a joy or a need announced in church, permission must be given by calling the church office.



Kindly silence all cell phones during worship

* All who are able to do so comfortably, please stand

Preparing to Hear God's Word

PRELUDE

WELCOME

MISSION MOMENT VIDEO

INTROIT

"Hosanna"

Gregor

Please refrain from applauding

Rev. Shawn Garvey
EGGstravaganza Team
Chancel Choir

* RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Garvey

People: "Hosanna! Our Lord has come to us in peace!"

* OPENING HYMN

"Ride On! Ride On in Majesty"

No. 215

* OPENING PRAYER

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

All children please come forward for Young Church.

YOUNG CHURCH

Kerry Weisner

"The Lord's Prayer or Prayer of Our Savior"

Age four years through kindergarten may leave for Sunday school in the LIBRARY.

Grades 1-5 and 6-12 may leave for Sunday school in the UPSTAIRSs Fellowship Hall.

Childcare for infants through 3 years old is available in the PARLOR located at the back of Fellowship Hall.

Please check your child out with the teacher. Children are only released to the parent.

** SONG OF SUPPORT

*All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful, our dear God made them all.*

*Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors and made their tiny wings.*

HEBREW

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Rev. Garvey

Minister: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

"Hosanna, Hosanna"

Leinbach

Please refrain from applauding

Chancel Choir

GOSPEL

Luke 19:28-40

Rev. Garvey

Minister: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God

MESSAGE

"Fragile Possibility"

Rev. Shawn Garvey

Palm Sunday is filled with so many emotions and possibilities, and they are all on display from the people when Jesus enters Jerusalem on a peace animal. Everything was poised to usher in the Messiah that the people had been waiting for, and for Jesus to be elevated to King of Israel and drive Rome out. Yet, Jesus' own vision of Kingship and freedom from bondage were very different from those that cheered for him that day. Palm Sunday is a day brimming with possibility, but it is a fragile one due to our own human expectations and limitations. What can we learn about ourselves in this way from the lesson of Palm Sunday and the rest of the story of Holy Week?

Responding to God's Word

CALL TO PRAYER/JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Garvey

SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYERS

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERING DEDICATION

Offertory

"Hail to Thee, Blessed Jesus"

J.S. Bach

Please refrain from applauding

*Doxology (Old Hundredth)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God for all that love has done,
Creator, Christ, and Spirit One. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev, Garvey

*CLOSING HYMN

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

No. 213

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Garvey



Do Not Forget!

**Bring your flowers for the
Easter Cross on Easter Sunday.**

The cross will be located by the front steps of
the Sanctuary on Interlachen.

BALDWIN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS need to be in the church office by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, June 2, 2025. (This is a firm deadline.) Contact the church office if you need an application emailed to you.

This is for anyone pursuing avenues of higher education from High School graduates on up.





Easter Flower Fund

The Flower Guild will be decorating our church with beautiful spring flowers and plants for Easter. A special flower fund has been set up and you may donate (any amount) to the fund in memory of a loved one or in honor of a family member or friend.

Flower dedications received in the church office by **Tuesday, April 15**, will be listed in the Easter bulletin.

Checks should be made payable to First Congregational Church and marked "Easter Flower Fund" in the memo line.

Flower dedication given by: *(please print legibly)*

Name: _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____





Easter Sunday

6:54 AM

Sunday, April 20, 2025

Sunrise in Rollins College, 1000 Holt Avenue, Winter Park, FL

Join us immediately following the sunrise service in our Fellowship Hall for an Easter Brunch provided by our Board of Membership.

Brunch will be served from 8:00 – 9:30 a.m.



10:00 A.M. • Sanctuary • FCCWP

Doors open at 9:00 a.m.



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FCCWP

SUPPORT OUR MISSION TRIP TO PINE RIDGE RESERVATION!

Our church is traveling to Pine Ridge Reservation, South Dakota, to serve needs identified by the community, for the community.

JUNE 7 – 14, 2025

South Dakota

**YOU CAN HELP MAKE THIS MISSION
POSSIBLE BY DONATING ANY AMOUNT.
YOUR SUPPORT WILL COVER:**

- ◆ Transportation & airfare
- ◆ Meals for our team
- ◆ Supplies for our service projects
- ◆ And many priceless moments of connection

Choose a specific need from the Quilt or Giving Tree in Fellowship Hall or give a general donation using the QR code above.



**EVERY
CONTRIBUTION,
BIG OR SMALL,
HELPS MAKE
THIS JOURNEY
POSSIBLE.**



**Thank you for
being part of this
mission with us!
Your generosity
will make a lasting
impact.**

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty

Luke 19:36-38; Zech. 9:9

Henry H. Milman, 1827; adapt. Lavon Bayler, 1993

1 Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty!
 2 Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty!
 3 Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty!
 4 Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty!

O Christ, with brave hu - mil - i - ty,
 As crowds of peo - ple come to see
 Ride on in hum - ble dig - ni - ty;
 For you have set your peo - ple free

On low - ly colt, your road pur - sue,
 And shout ho - san - nas, lift - ing high
 Be - hold the ones you came to save
 And we, re - mem - bering all your pain,

as palms and cloaks are spread for you.
 their praise for one a - bout to die.
 from sense - less life and end - less grave.
 now meet a - gain to hail your reign.

Henry H. Milman, a priest of the Church of England, served successively as professor of poetry at Oxford, canon of Westminster, and dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, London. He was also a successful playwright and historian.

Tune: ST. DROSTANE L.M.

John B. Dykes, 1862

Alternate tune: WINCHESTER NEW

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

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*Jennette Threlfall, 1873; alt.**Mark 11:8-10; Matt. 21:15*

1 "Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na," the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed a - mid a cheer - ing crowd,
 3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song is ours.

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang;
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud.
 We hail our great Re - deem - er and sing with all our powers:

To Je - sus, who had blessed them close fold - ed to his breast,
 The one whom an - gels wor - ship rode on in low - ly state,
 "Ho - san - na, Christ, we praise you with heart and life and voice.

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 and glad to see the chil - dren, slowed down the don - key's gait.
 Ho - san - na! In your pres - ence for - ev - er we'll re - joice!"

Jennette Threlfall of England, who was disabled by two accidents, wrote hymns that inspired hope and courage in others. This text was published in her collection Sunshine and Shadow.

Tune: ELLACOMBE C.M.D.
 Gesangbuch der herzoglichen Württembergischen
 katholischen Hofkapelle, 1784

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🌀LOOKING AHEAD🌀

TODAY! Sunday April 13

Palm Sunday Service and EGG-stravaganza!

Thursday April 17

6:00PM Seder Meal

7:30 PM Maundy Thursday Service

Sunday April 20: Easter Sunday

Sunrise Service at Rollins 6:54AM

Brunch to follow at FCCWP

Remember to bring your flowers for the Easter Cross

Monday April 21

Church Office Closed

Sunday April 27

Membership Conversation in the Parlor after worship

And

Earth Day Presentation

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