

*Hosanna!*

*Blessed is he who  
comes in the name of  
the Lord!*



Palm/Passion Sunday | March 29, 2026  
First Baptist Church of Ann Arbor

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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**GREETING** Xan Morgan

**PRELUDE** *Processional on Lift High the Cross* Charles Callahan  
(1952-2023, American)

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Xan Morgan

One: Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.

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

**All: Hosanna in the highest!**

**INTROIT** *Hosanna to the Son of David* Bartholomaeus Gesius

Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna to the Son of David in the highest!

### SERVICE OF THE PALMS

**\*INVOCATION** Lillian Bon  
(\*If you are able, please stand)

**\*PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM** Lillian Bon  
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**ANTHEM** *Sanctus from Requiem* Gabriel Fauré

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus

*Holy, holy, holy*

Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

*Lord God of Hosts (Sabaoth)*

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.

*Heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in excelsis.

*Hosanna in the highest.*

**TIME AS CHILDREN** Xan Morgan  
(Children 5th grade and younger come forward)

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

*Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor, to Thee, Redeemer King,  
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring  
The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;  
Our prayer and praise and anthems before thee we present. (Refrain)*

(Children will process with Xan and then children through 1st grade leave for Children’s Ministry following Time as Children. 2nd-5th graders are staying for the service today.)

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Jodylynn Brummett

**SUNG LORD’S PRAYER** (see insert)

**\*GOSPEL READING**

Matthew 21 :1-12

Jodylynn Brummett

Leader:The Word of the Lord.

**People:Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

*Isn’t It Ironic?*

Jodylynn Brummett

**\*HYMN 280** (vv. 1-2)

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*ST. THEODULPH*

**SERVICE OF THE PASSION STORY**

**PROCLAMATION OF THE PASSION STORY**

Luke 22:14-22

Xan Morgan

Hymn 292

What Wondrous Love Is This (v.1)

Luke 22:39-48, 54a, 63-65

Jodylynn Brummett

Hymn 290

Go to Dark Gethsemane (vv. 1-2)

Luke 23:1-5, 13-14, 16-25

Xan Morgan

Hymn 289

Ah, Holy Jesus (vv. 1-2)

Luke 23:32-46

Jodylynn Brummett

Hymn 287

O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done? (vv. 1-2)

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

Jodylynn Brummett

**OFFERTORY**

*Song of Golgotha*

Lloyd Larson

He was despised and rejected, scorned by His very own.

Yet He bore the cross of shame willingly.

He was pierced for our transgressions, broken and alone.  
Still, He chose to bear the cross for you and me.  
Surely, He has carried all our sorrows. Surely, He has borne all our grief.  
He was oppressed and afflicted, yet He did not say a word.  
And He bore the lowly cross to Calvary.  
Like a lamb led to slaughter, He was crushed and suffered.  
See the sacrificial lamb upon the tree.  
Surely, He has carried all our sorrows. Surely, He has borne all our grief.  
Ah, holy Jesus, how have you offended,  
that mortal judgement has on You descended?  
By foes derided, by Your own rejected, O most afflicted!  
Surely, He has carried all our sorrows, and has borne all our grief.

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Greeting: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Response: **And also with you.**

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Were You There*

Richard Purvis  
(1913-1994, American)

*The flowers on the chancel are given to the glory of God  
in memory of Kenneth Brummett and Lori Brummett..*

*~ Joe, JoAnn and Jodylynn Brummett and Karen Brummett Rayner~*

We pray for **Ed Parmentier, Jon VanderVliet, Mary Margaret Hatt, Celeste Weissinger, Erica Diels, Katherine Cartee, Marilyn McKenzie, Keith Pickelmann, Marlene Francis, Roberta Hause, Mervyn Juchartz, Esther Floyd, Marilyn Marsh, Helga Mortensen, Cindy Okarski, Greg DuBois, Keith Maurer, Beth Granberry,** and the **Pastoral Search Committee.**

**We're glad you're here!** Please take a moment to fill out the Connection Card in your bulletin and place it in an offering plate when it comes by later in the service. You can indicate any prayer requests you have and let us know if you'd like a name tag and/or our bi-weekly communication about the life of the church.

You may place your offering in one of the plates when they are passed. Or make your offering online using this QR code or via PayPal (@fbca2) and place a Connection Card indicating so in the offering plate.



**After worship, we invite you to enjoy refreshments in the main hallway and then join us back in the Sanctuary for the PSC Candidate Presentation.**

**We welcome Rev. Jodylynn Brummett (she/her) to the pulpit this morning.** Jodylynn grew up in Northville, Michigan, has a degree in Sociology from Eastern University in St David's, PA and a MDiv from Colgate Rochester Divinity School in Rochester, NY. She has served as a church pastor at First Baptist Church of Delaware, OH, a College Chaplain at Keuka College in Keuka Park, NY and as an Escalated Customer Service Representative for Chase Mortgage in Columbus, OH. She has found her true calling as a Hospice Chaplain for Heart-to-Heart Hospice in Southgate, MI where she has been for 5 years. Next Sunday, we welcome Rev. Bill Foster back to the pulpit.

**As we wrap up the season of Lent,** we have one more devotion on Matthew 25. It is included as an insert in this bulletin and will be emailed later today. The devotion includes a story of folks who know what it is like to be hungry, without clean water, or in prison. We'll sit with the scripture passage as we reflect using questions from the traditional monastic practice, Lectio Divina. The devotion wraps up with an invitation to pray and respond.

**Children's Ministry.** All children are welcome in worship; Worshipful Play Bags are available as you enter the sanctuary. Nursery care is available for children (infant - 3 years). Children through 1st grade leave for Children's Ministry following Time as Children. 2nd-5th graders are staying for the service today. Children's Choir (PreK-5th grade) meets from 11:30-noon. You may pick up your children at 11:30 from their Church School classrooms, at 12:00 from the choir room, or at 12:30 when our formation hour ends.

**The Youth Group for students in grades 6-12.** There will not be regular Youth Group this week, as youth are invited to attend the congregation-wide meeting after worship to learn about our pastoral candidate. For more information about the youth program, please contact Jillian Mast (jillian@fbca2.org).

**Wednesday Bible Study** meets at 1:00p. The group will read and discuss the Bible passages for the upcoming Sunday. Please join us.

## **Holy Week Schedule:**

**Palm/Passion Sunday - March 29 @ 10a.** We begin worship with the joy of Palm Sunday before making the turn towards the somber call of Holy Week. Join us for this special service as we reflect on the stories and meaning of both Palm Sunday and the Passion on March 29th.

**Community Good Friday Service - April 3 @ 12p.** We have a longstanding tradition of joining with sister churches First United Methodist and First Congregational to offer the community a midday Good Friday service. We'll gather in the sanctuary of First United Methodist this year.

**Good Friday Tenebrae Service - April 3 @ 8p.** Join us for our Good Friday service of shadows, as we sit together in the growing darkness to hear again the story of Jesus' Passion in word, song, and silence, and ponder its meaning for our lives.

**Easter Sunday - April 5 @ 10a.** Join us for Easter Sunday worship and an Easter Egg Hunt as we celebrate the good news of the resurrection!

**Our Story.** Calling all Moms with Kids at Home! Let's gather together to sit with some good stories. "When We Swung from Church Bells: Stories That Shape Our Faith and Faith That Shapes Our Stories" just came out and it is written by a local author, Callie Feyen! In this book, Callie celebrates the holiness of ordinary living, often related to parenting. And then those parenting stories intertwine with formative experiences she had in church as a kid or through sacred stories. It's tender, funny, and reverent in all the best ways. We'll gather on four Wednesday evenings - April 8, 15, 22, and 29 - from 7:30-9:00p. During the first two gatherings, Xan will lead a discussion about the book over Zoom. The second two gatherings, we'll have Callie, the author, lead us in a writers' workshop of sorts. We will play and wrestle with some of our own stories. It will be a holy, life-giving, eye-opening, and fabulously fun time with other mamas. We hope you'll join us! RSVP at [fbca2.org/ourstory](https://fbca2.org/ourstory). Xan has ordered books from Literati; come get one at the Ministry Station!

**TDOV Dinner and Art Night!** Join us on Tuesday, March 31st to celebrate Trans Day of Visibility Day. We'll have dinner here at First Baptist at 5:00p and shortly after 6:00p we'll head to the Downtown Library for their TDOV event, an interview with Bakpak Duren at 6:30p. Bakpak is a Detroit-based artist whose work fuses narrative and visual elements of the Baroque and Afro-Surrealist movements to create oil paintings and large-scale murals that depict subjects in transitional states with an emphasis on connecting to the surrounding communities. Please RSVP at [fbca2.org/TDOV](https://fbca2.org/TDOV). Questions? Connect with Xan Morgan ([xan@fbca2.org](mailto:xan@fbca2.org)) or Nick McLellan ([nickmclellan@gmail.com](mailto:nickmclellan@gmail.com)).

**The Gathering** is our campus ministry during the academic year. If you can help with a meal for the group, contact Mary Davis, sign up at [fbca2.org/connect](https://fbca2.org/connect), or make a financial gift by check to the church or via PayPal. The Gathering meets on Wednesdays at 6:00p in the campus center living room.

**American Baptist Women's Ministries of Michigan Retreat.** Attention Women! Please think about attending our annual conference June 5-7, 2026 at St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt

Michigan! A wonderful place to rest and rejuvenate your spiritual health. For more information, see Carolyn Grapentine for details! The deadline for an early registration discount is April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**The Pastor Search Committee** met on Monday, March 23, to continue plans for introducing the congregation to our recommended candidate for Senior Pastor. We will be giving initial information at a second hour session TODAY Sunday, March 29. At that gathering we will share a brief overview of the search process, the background and qualifications of the candidate, and the many reasons we feel God led us to this pastor. We will leave ample time to answer your questions.

Candidating weekend will be April 10-12. We will have several opportunities for you to meet the candidate and ask questions. Members of the Pastor Search Committee will be present at each gathering to facilitate conversation.

Here is the schedule:

- Friday, April 10, 6:30-8:00p gathering with youth and families for dinner at church
- Saturday, April 11 10:00-11:30a Brunch with young adults and children at church
- Saturday, April 11 12:00-1:30p Coffee and light sandwiches with Executive Council, boards, and church staff
- Saturday, April 11 3:00-4:00p Conversation with music staff, Boards of Music & Arts and Worship, and choir at church
- Saturday, April 11 5:00-6:30p Dinner with congregation at church
- Sunday, April 12 preaching and worship followed by congregational meeting and vote

Sign up to attend one of these group meetings at [fbca2.org/connect](https://fbca2.org/connect) or with this QR code



You are welcome to send questions for the candidate to the Pastor Search Committee ahead of time to [pcs@fbca2.org](mailto:pcs@fbca2.org).

**Land Acknowledgement.** We acknowledge that we are gathered on the ancestral homeland of the Anishinaabe people of the Three Fires Confederacy - the Ojibwe, Ottawa & Potawatomi - and the Wyandot, and that this unceded land is still sacred to them.



Seek, serve, and grow with us! More information about these opportunities at [fbca2.org/connect](http://fbca2.org/connect) or use the QR code to the right.

### Calendar

March 29	Palm/Passion Sunday @10:00a PSC Candidate presentation@11:30a
March 31	Trans Day of Visibility @5:00p
April 1	Wednesday Bible Study @1:00p The Gathering @6:00p
April 2	Choir Rehearsal @7:00p
April 3	Community Good Friday Service @12:00 noon at First United Methodist Church Church office closing at noon Good Friday Tenebrae Service @8:00p
April 4	Easter Worship and Easter Egg Hunt
April 10-12	Candidating Weekend

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