

# A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 29, 2026

10:00 a.m.

## WE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME

**CHIMES** (As one body, let us now pause in silence to focus on worship)

**PRELUDE** "Through the City Gates"

David Paxton

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

**INTROIT** "Lo, He Comes"

John D. Horman

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Heather Reylek

**Leader:** As Jesus came near Jerusalem, the whole multitude of disciples began to praise God with loud voices.

**People: Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!**

**Leader:** The road was lined with praise and expectation.

**People: We join that procession with palms of hope and songs of welcome.**

**Leader:** Yet the story turns. In the shadows, betrayal begins to take root.

**People: Judas seeks a way to hand Jesus over.**

**Leader:** The One who was welcomed with shouts of "Hosanna" is soon rejected.

**People: The crowd that praised him will cry out, "Crucify him!"**

**Leader:** Such is the mystery of the human heart—capable of praise and betrayal.

**People: Yet Christ still walks the road of mercy toward us.**

**Leader:** Come, let us worship the One who enters our world with humility and courage.

**People: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**\*HYMN** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

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**CALL TO RENEWAL**

Heather Reylek

And so we live our lives imperfectly, for we are flawed. But we are also loved by the God in whose Image we were created. Let us remake ourselves toward that Image as we make our confession before God and each other.

**PRAYER OF RENEWAL (IN UNISON)**

Heather Reylek

**Merciful God, today we remember the road to Jerusalem. We remember the parade of praise—voices lifted in joy, palms waving in hope, and hearts filled with expectation. Yet we also remember how quickly the story turns. The cheers of the crowd fade. Whispers of betrayal grow in the shadows. Fear and power twist the hearts of leaders and followers alike.**

**And we confess that this story is not only theirs—it is ours. Like the crowds, we praise you with our lips yet sometimes fail to follow you with our lives. Like the disciples, we want your kingdom but struggle to walk the costly road of love. Like those in the crowd before Pilate, we are tempted to choose power over truth, comfort over courage, and silence over justice.**

**Forgive us, O Christ. Renew our hearts this day. Lead us away from the parade of pride and worldly power and into the procession of your peace. Teach us to follow the One who enters not on a war horse but on a humble donkey. Strengthen us to walk with you through the difficult**

**days ahead—through betrayal, suffering, and the shadow of the Cross—trusting that your mercy is stronger than human failure and your love deeper than our fear. In Christ's name, Amen.**

**SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION**

**GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS**

Heather Reylek

As far as the east is from the west, so have our sins been separated from us. They have been thrown into the sea of forgetfulness, and there, they are remembered no more.

**Our thanks be to God!**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen and amen.*

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ, be with you. **And also with you.** (Pass the peace of Christ.)

**OFFERTORY**

"The Royal Banners Forward Go"

Keith Vieregge

**\*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.*

## WE LISTEN FOR CHRIST'S WORD

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 19:37-38; 22:1-6; 23:13-21

**RESPONSE**

May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart, be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. (Ps. 19:14)  
**Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

"Two Parades, Christ Betrayed"

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

**ANTHEM**

"Hosanna, Hosanna We Sing"

Stan Pethel

## WE RESPOND TO CHRIST'S WORD

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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, forever. Amen.**

## WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME

**\*HYMN**

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

No. 197

**\*BENEDICTION**

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

**CHORAL BENEDICTION**

"Ride On! Ride On in Majesty"

H.H. Millman/J.B. Dykes

**POSTLUDE**

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Alec Wyton

\*Please stand if able

**SERVING TODAY**

**Ushers** – Cindy Griffin & Debbie Speeches

**Liturgist** – Heather Reylek

**Coffee Hour** – Marty Kappauf & Rose Wissemann

**PRAYER LIST**

Please pray for: Those affected by natural disasters and ongoing wars; Peter C. Jackson; Blanca Campbell and Jim Nina; Jill Tuttle Albiani; Jackie Tuttle; Barry and Benetta Taylor; Rev. John Moore; Jim Preston; Kathy Zarchin; Teri Brennan; Barbara Preston; Albert Cyr; Sharon Gibbs; For the peace and comfort for the family and friends of Carol Hallman Taplin, Andrew Ogar, Paul Surerus, and Linda Bonaccorso

*We will gladly list names of any individuals in need of prayer. You may share names by turning in a note from the pew or by emailing the church office prior to Thursday a.m.*

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Cindy Griffin / Lynne Weikart

**This Week**

Mar. 30<sup>th</sup> Nutrition Program 7:00-1:00

Mar. 31<sup>st</sup> Food Pantry 4:00-6:00

Apr. 1<sup>st</sup> Meals on Wheels 7:00-11:00

Apr. 2<sup>nd</sup> Bible Study 10:00

Maundy Thursday Service 7:00

Apr. 3<sup>rd</sup> Nutrition Program 7:00-1:00

Food Pantry 10:00-1:00

# Shelter Island Presbyterian Church

## March 29, 2026

## Palm Sunday



**Shelter Island Presbyterian Church Mission Statement:**

“We envision the Shelter Island Presbyterian Church as a spiritual heart of our small island community –a congregation that keeps its doors open to all and offers service and support to friends, neighbors, and visitors from beyond our shores. We will encourage the spiritual growth of our church’s people in Jesus Christ through worship, service to others, stewardship, study and fellowship with one another. We will work to increase our spiritual engagement with youth, young families and our growing senior population. Inspired by God’s Word, we look forward to our future with faith and confidence in God’s purpose for us. AS WE BELIEVE, SO WE DO.”

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