

office@pcchurch.org

Sunday Morning Sunday School—9:15 am Worship Service—10:30 am

Rev. DL Walter, Youth Pastor dl@pcchurch.org

Rev. Tim Alexander, Senior Pastor Timothy8583@outlook.com





April 10, 2022

PCC Kid's Choir Welcome & Time of Greeting Call to Worship - Psalm 93.1,2 Hosanna, Praise Is Rising The Wonderful Cross Colossians 1.15-20 Here Is Our King Shepherd's Prayer - DL Walter Thrive & Thrive, Jr Dismissal Sermon - from Matthew 21.1-11 **Rejoice Regardless!** Closing Doxology



Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her.

Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

"Say to the daughter of Zion,

'Behold, your king is coming to you,

humble, and mounted on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

Despair is relatively easy. No, the causes of despair are all too real. The world presents an unbroken dirge of depressing news. Despair is "easy" in that it can be the legitimate default response.

Palm Sunday is an object lesson for the Christian to "**Rejoice Regardless**." Jesus knew what would happen. The crowd boisterously welcoming Him would brazenly scream for His death. Jesus knew the fecklessness of the crowd at the time. We have the New Testament and absorb their fecklessness as a witness to our shared fallen humanity. Yet Jesus did not stifle the joy though He knew it would be short-lived. Joy is precious. Even in the midst of trial, joy must be cultivated, not censored. Knowing that "joy comes in the morning" is great gift. "**Rejoice Regardless**!"

