Rev. Dr. Charles A. Wiessner, Pastor Dr. Lonieta Cornwall, Music Director

The Approach to God

PRELUDE

Christina Waldo, Soprano

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

"Hosanna"

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Psalm 118)

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

Hosanna! Save us we beseech you, O Lord! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

The Lord is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #152

"Lift Up Your Heads"

***SALUTATION**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jesus, our Lord, we shout hosannas to praise you. With eager hands, we place our cloaks and palms before you. Yet Lord, we confess that the mouths that seek to praise you often deny or defy you. And we confess that the hands that seek to serve you often become fists. Lord, hear us as we pray to you, Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Mark 10:45

(unison)

CONGREGATIONAL SONGS OF PRAISE

I'm gonna sing, sing, sing, I'm gonna shout, shout, shout, I'm gonna sing, I'm gonna shout, "Praise the Lord." Oh when the gates are opened wide, I'm gonna sit by Jesus' side. I'm gonna sing, I'm gonna shout, "Praise the Lord!"

Oh when the saints go marching in [repeat] Oh Lord I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 22:1-11 (Page 389 Old Testament)

*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. Amen.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "Ride On, King Jesus"

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The Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE John 12:12-15 (Page 81 New Testament)

*MOMENT OF FELLOWSHIP

*HYMN #185

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

SERMON "The Whole Story"

Our Response to God

*CONFESSION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed (Page 12 Hymnal)

RECEPTION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

MINISTRY OF MUSIC Hand Bell Quartet "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN #188

"Ride On!"

*BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

"Hosanna"

Reprise

*POSTLUDE

*The congregation may stand.

Christina Waldo, soprano, is a native of Maryland, and a graduate of Shaw University with a degree in Vocal Performance. She is described as being "an anchor for the Shaw University Choir" by Lonieta Cornwall, director. We welcome her ministry today.

TODAY'S STEWARDS

<u>Greeter</u>: Nancy Dey <u>Ushers</u>: John Ferris & Mike Shafer <u>Fellowship</u>: Joe & Liz White

Next week's stewards (April 5):

<u>Greeters</u>: Bill & Sabra Leadbitter <u>Ushers</u>: Pete & Barbara Nickel <u>Fellowship</u>: Nancy Dey & Barbara Nickel

FOOD PANTRY

Needed items are as follows: applesauce, fruit cocktail, canned potatoes, canned mixed vegetables, beverages, canned tomatoes, spaghetti sauce & noodles, flour, sugar, baking mixes, personal hygiene items, paper products, diapers & cleaning products. Thanks for your help.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

There is a need for volunteers who can provide snacks on Sunday mornings following worship. Please see the sign-up sheet and sign up for the Sunday of your choice. Your help is greatly appreciated!

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