

SUNDAY, March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday

Caldwell United Methodist Church, 8 Academy Road, Caldwell, N. J. 07006

Rev. Kil Jae Park, Pastor

Worship Music: Rosalyn McClore



PRELUDE

“The Holy City”

Elizabeth Smith, soloist

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Pastor Park

*** OPENING HYMN**

“Blessed Be the Name of the Lord”

TFWS # 2034

**1. Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord Most High
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord Most High**

**2. Glory to the name of the Lord
Glory to the name of the Lord
Glory to the name of the Lord Most High
Glory to the name of the Lord
Glory to the name of the Lord
Glory to the name of the Lord Most High**

Chorus

**The name of the Lord is a strong tower
The righteous run into it and they are saved
The name of the Lord is a strong tower
The righteous run into it and they are saved**

**3. Holy is the name of the Lord
Holy is the name of the Lord
Holy is the name of the Lord Most High
Holy is the name of the Lord
Holy is the name of the Lord
Holy is the name of the Lord Most High
Chorus**

**4. Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord Most High
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be the name of the Lord Most High**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all times and places, we come waving our palms with shouts of "Hosanna," yet we confess that our praise is often fickle. We are quick to welcome you when it is easy, but slow to follow you toward the sacrifice of the cross. We prefer safety over service, and popular opinion over costly truth. Forgive us when we deny our relationship with you by our silence and our selfish choices. Prune what is false in us, O Lord, and plant what is true. Teach us to lay down our pride, along with our cloaks, at your feet. Walk with us this Holy Week, that we may move beyond the crowd's shouting to true, obedient life of discipleship. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

P: In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor Park

GATHERING SONG

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

UMH # 328

Surely the presence
of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel
his mighty power
and his grace.

I can hear the brush
of angels' wings,
I see glory on each face;
surely the presence
of the Lord is in this place.

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 2:5-11

5 Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

6 Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped,

7 but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

8 And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross!

9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,

10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM "Were You There" Elizabeth Smith, soloist

MESSAGE "The Attitude of Jesus Christ" Pastor Park

RECEIVING THE MORNING'S OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY** UMH # 95

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.

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Pastor Park

PRAYER Pastor Karen

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and
the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN** "Lamb of God" TFWS # 2113

1. Your only Son no sin to hide,
But You have sent Him from Your side,
To walk upon this guilty sod,
And to become the Lamb of God.

2. Your gift of love they crucified,
They laughed and scorned Him as he died,
The humble King they named a fraud,
And sacrificed the Lamb of God.

Refrain

Oh Lamb of God, Sweet lamb of God
I love the Holy Lamb of God
Oh wash me in His precious Blood
My Jesus Christ the Lamb of God

3. I was so lost I should have died,
But You have brought me to Your side,
To be led by Your staff and rod,
And to be called a lamb of God.
Refrain

*** BENEDICTION** Pastor Park

POSTLUDE**Rosalyn McClore*****Stand as able****Announcements:**

- **We welcome all of you to our morning worship service today. We are glad that you are joining us this morning in person as well as online.**
- **We extend a special welcome to Elizabeth Smith, our guest soloist and thank her for sharing her talent with us today.**
- **Altar Flowers are given this morning by JeeYoung Park to the Glory of God.**
- **Special thanks to Elsa Nickl for hosting the time of Fellowship today. Please join us for fellowship immediately following the worship service.**
- **The new date for the Benefit Jazz Concert is Sunday, April 12 at 4 pm. We hope you can join us then for a time of great music & community.**
- **The Voice for the 1st quarter of 2026 is now available. Check your email or pick up a copy from the table in the lobby.**
- **The question forms for the Lenten Bible reading are available for pick up in the back. Please be sure to take home a copy and join us in the reading of the Gospels during this time of Lent.**
- **Good Friday service will take place at Roseland UMC, 144 Rock Ave., Roseland, NJ at 7:00 pm with Roseland UMC and Christ Chapel of Essex.**