



# PALMETTO HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Celebrating Life in Christ  
By Reaching Out and Building Up  
For God's Kingdom and Glory*

**April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

## **SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Psalm 121*

I lift up my eyes to the hills.  
From where does my help come?  
My help comes from the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved;  
he who keeps you will not slumber.  
Behold, he who keeps Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper;  
the Lord is your shade on your right hand.  
The sun shall not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.  
The Lord will keep  
your going out and your coming in  
from this time forth and forevermore.

\*Congregation Standing

## \*SONG OF EXALTATION

*Holy, Holy, Holy (#100)*

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the  
glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before  
thee,  
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not  
see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee  
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and  
sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

## \*INVOCATION

## \*SONG OF ADORATION

*O Great God*

O great God of highest heaven  
Occupy my lowly heart  
Own it all and reign supreme  
Conquer every rebel power  
Let no vice or sin remain  
That resists Your holy war  
You have loved and purchased me  
Make me Yours forevermore

I was blinded by my sin  
Had no ears to hear Your voice  
Did not know Your love within  
Had no taste for heaven's joys  
Then Your Spirit gave me life

Opened up Your Word to me  
Through the gospel of Your Son  
Gave me endless hope and peace

Help me now to live a life  
That's dependent on Your grace  
Keep my heart and guard my soul  
From the evils that I face

You are worthy to be praised  
With my every thought and deed  
O great God of highest heaven  
Glorify Your Name through me

## **SCRIPTURAL CALL TO CONFESSION**

*Ephesians 4:17-20*

Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. But that is not the way you learned Christ!—

## **CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places. We rejoice, O God, that though we were once dead in our trespasses and sins, you made us alive together with Christ. By grace we have been saved. We have been created in Christ Jesus for good works, which you prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. And yet, we confess that so often we still walk in sin. Even this week we have lived like enemies of the cross; hiding in the darkness, hardening our hearts, and practicing impurity. We know this is not how we learned Christ. Open our eyes to see our sin for what it is: an attack against you. Open our hearts to repent of our sins. Strengthen our hands and feet to keep your commandments and bear fruit in righteousness. Help us and have mercy on us, O God. We plead for your grace and pardon in Jesus' name. Amen.

## **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  
Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors  
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory  
Forever and ever Amen.

## SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Ephesians 4:21-24*

assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

## \*SONG OF ASSURANCE

*The Power of the Cross*

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day  
Christ on the road to Calvary  
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then  
Nailed to a cross of wood

This the pow'r of the cross  
Christ became sin for us  
Took the blame bore the wrath  
We stand forgiven at the cross

Oh to see the pain written on Your face  
Bearing the awesome weight of sin  
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed  
Crowning Your bloodstained brow

Now the daylight flees now the ground  
beneath  
Quakes as its Maker bows His head  
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life  
Finished the vict'ry cry

Oh to see my name written in the wounds  
For through Your suff'ring I am free  
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live  
Won through Your selfless love

This the pow'r of the cross  
Son of God slain for us  
What a love what a cost  
We stand forgiven at the cross

## \*PROFESSION OF FAITH

*Psalm 127*

Unless the Lord builds the house,  
those who build it labor in vain.  
Unless the Lord watches over the city,  
the watchman stays awake in vain.  
It is in vain that you rise up early  
and go late to rest,  
eating the bread of anxious toil;  
for he gives to his beloved sleep.

Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord,  
the fruit of the womb a reward.  
Like arrows in the hand of a warrior  
are the children of one's youth.  
Blessed is the man  
who fills his quiver with them!  
He shall not be put to shame  
when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

## **\*SONG OF APPROACH**

*Psalm 128*

Blessed the man that fears Jehovah  
And that Walketh In His ways;  
Thou shalt eat of thy hands' labor  
And be Prospered all thy days.  
Like a vine with fruit abounding  
In thy house thy wife is found,  
And like olive plants thy children,  
Compassing thy table round.

Lo, on him that fears Jehovah  
Shall this blessedness attend;  
For Jehovah out of Zion  
Shall to thee His blessing send.  
Thou shalt see Jerusalem prosper  
All thy days till life shall cease;  
Thou shalt see thy children's children,  
Unto Israel be peace.

## **OFFERTORY**

## SERMON

*Matthew 19:13-15*

13 Then children were brought to him that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples rebuked the people,

14 but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."

15 And he laid his hands on them and went away.

### **Everyone is Acting Like Children**

1. Child Like Faith

2. Childish Pride

3. Jesus' Rebuke

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE**

*Not What My Hands Have Done (#461)*

Not what my hands have done  
can save my guilty soul;  
not what my toiling flesh has borne  
can make my spirit whole.  
Not what I feel or do  
can give me peace with God;  
not all my prayers and sighs and tears  
can bear my awful load.

Thy work alone, O Christ,  
can ease this weight of sin;  
thy blood alone, O Lamb of God,  
can give me peace within.  
Thy love to me, O God,  
not mine, O Lord to thee,  
can rid me of this dark unrest,  
and set my spirit free.

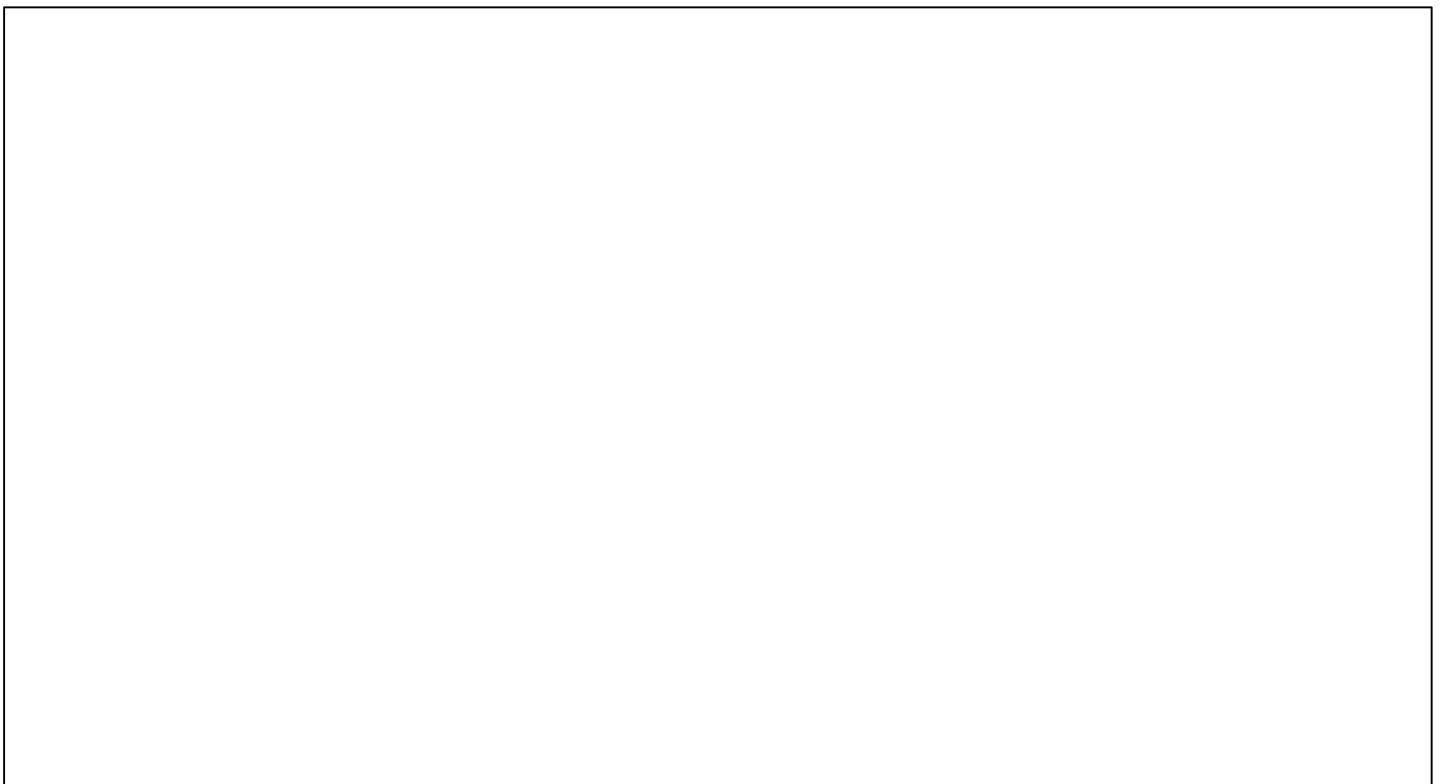
Thy grace alone, O God,  
to me can pardon speak;  
thy pow'r alone, O Son of God,  
can this sore bondage break.

No other work, save thine,  
no other blood will do;  
no strength, save that which is divine,  
can bear me safely through.

I bless the Christ of God;  
I rest on love divine;  
and with unfalt'ring lip and heart,  
I call this Savior mine.  
This cross dispels each doubt;  
I bury in his tomb  
each thought of unbelief and fear,  
each ling'ring shade of gloom.

I praise the God of grace;  
I trust his truth and might;  
he calls me his, I call him mine,  
my God, my joy, my light.  
'Tis he who saveth me,  
and freely pardon gives;  
I love because he loveth me,  
I live because he lives.

**\*BENEDICTION.**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

<b>Wednesday Evening Activities</b>	The youth group will be meeting at 6pm on Wednesday's.
<b>Save the Date(s)</b>	<p>Today: Missions emphasis Sunday. Joint SS for Adults and Youth. Gather in the Sanctuary for a presentation from Miracle Hill.</p> <p>April 21: Ladies Bible Study</p> <p>April 25: Wedding Shower (See weekly email for details.)</p> <p>May 2<sup>nd</sup>: Men's Breakfast</p> <p>May 3<sup>rd</sup>: Graduation Recognition Sunday</p> <p>June 8<sup>th</sup>: VBS Begins! Student registration is Live.</p> <p>Summer Sunday Night Fellowships: May 31, June 28, and July 26</p>
<b>OCC Collection March</b>	We are collecting band-aids, chap stick, and toothbrushes during the month of March for Operation Christmas Child. Place your donations in the OCC box in the foyer in March.

## WEEKLY SERVICE ROTATION

	<b>April 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>April 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>May 3<sup>rd</sup></b>
<b>Infant Nursery</b>	Johnny & Susan M.	Michael & Abbie M.	TBD
<b>Toddler Nursery</b>	Mark & Abi S.	Melissa T.	TBD
<b>SS Nursery</b>	Kristin K.	Grier M. & Julie W.	TBD
<b>Deacon on Duty</b>	Perry E.	Will R.	Andrew T.
<b>Sound Room</b>	Tommy C.	Reese T.	Dwayne T.
<b>Refreshments</b>	Craig & Mary T.	Allene D. & Cathy H.	Roy & Tina C.

## THIS WEEK AT PHPC

<b>Mon</b> April 20	<b>Tues</b> April 21	<b>Wed</b> April 22	<b>Thurs</b> April 23	<b>Fri</b> April 24	<b>Sat</b> April 25	<b>Sun</b> April 26
	<i>Ladies Bible study</i>	<i>Youth Group @ 6pm</i>				<i>Small Groups</i>

## GIVING AND ATTENDANCE

<b>Last Week's Giving</b>	<b>Last Week's Budget</b>	<b>Fiscal YTD Giving</b>	<b>Fiscal YTD Budget</b>	<b>Last Week's Attendance</b>
\$7,437	\$11,159	\$463,035	\$455,787	141

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