Palm Sunday

March 27 & 28, 2021 5:00 p.m. & 8:30 a.m.

№ PREPARATION **№**

AS WE GATHER

Today we mark the beginning of Holy Week as we celebrate Palm Sunday, recalling our Lord's triumphant entry into Jerusalem amidst the shouts of "Hosanna" and as we prepare for witnessing our Lord's suffering for our salvation on Calvary's cross.

PRELUDE

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

setting by Albert Travis

WELCOME

HYMN

442 All Glory, Laud, and Honor (sung by soloist)

Refrain All glory, laud, and honor
To You, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.

1 You are the King of Israel
And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming,
Our King and Blessèd One. (Refrain)

(Handbells alone)

- 3 The multitude of pilgrims
 With palms before You went;
 Our praise and prayer and anthems
 Before You we present. (Refrain)
- To You before Your passion

 They sang their hymns of praise;

 To You, now high exalted,

 Our melody we raise. (Refrain)
- 5 As You received their praises,
 Accept the prayers we bring,
 O Source of ev'ry blessing,
 Our good and gracious King. (Refrain)

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive

our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and

unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your

ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His

sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the

name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

KYRIE (sung by soloist)

434 Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

- 2 Lamb of God, pure and holy,
 Who on the cross didst suffer,
 Ever patient and lowly,
 Thyself to scorn didst offer.
 All sins Thou borest for us,
 Else had despair reigned o'er us:
 Have mercy on us, O Jesus! O Jesus!
- 3 Lamb of God, pure and holy,
 Who on the cross didst suffer,
 Ever patient and lowly,
 Thyself to scorn didst offer.
 All sins Thou borest for us,
 Else had despair reigned o'er us:
 Thy peace be with us, O Jesus! O Jesus!

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen

₩ WORD **₩**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Zechariah 9:9-12

(The coming King of Zion)

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰ I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the war-horses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹ As for you, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will free your prisoners from the waterless pit. ¹² Return to your fortress, O prisoners of hope; even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 118:19–29

("Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.")

Pastor: Open for me the gates of righteousness; **People:** I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.

Pastor: This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter.

People: I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my

salvation.

Pastor: The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; **People:** the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

Pastor: This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

People: O LORD, save us; O LORD, grant us success.

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Pastor: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.

People: From the house of the LORD we bless you.

Pastor: The LORD is God, and he has made his light shine upon us.

People: With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of

the altar.

Pastor: You are my God, and I will give you thanks; you are my God, and I will

exalt you.

People: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

EPISTLE Philippians 2: 5-11

(Christ Jesus took on the form of a servant and became obedient to death)

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.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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

ANTHEM

"Lamb of God" Twila Paris

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. (Refrain)

Refrain O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in His precious blood,
My Jesus Christ, 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)
- 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)

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Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL John 12: 12-19

(The triumphal entry)

¹² The next day the great crowd that had come for the Feast heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. ¹³ They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting,

"Hosanna!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the King of Israel!"

¹⁴ Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it, as it is written,

¹⁵ "Do not be afraid, O Daughter of Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt."

¹⁶ At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that they had done these things to him.

¹⁷ Now the crowd that was with him when he called Lazarus from the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to spread the word. ¹⁸ Many people, because they had heard that he had given this miraculous sign, went out to meet him. ¹⁹ So the Pharisees said to one another, "See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after him!"

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

HYMN

443 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (sung by all)

- 1 Hosanna, loud hosanna,
 The little children sang;
 Through pillared court and temple
 The lovely anthem rang.
 To Jesus, who had blessed them,
 Close folded to His breast,
 The children sang their praises,
 The simplest and the best.
- 3 "Hosanna in the highest!"
 That ancient song we sing;
 For Christ is our Redeemer,
 The Lord of heav'n our King.
 Oh, may we ever praise Him
 With heart and life and voice
 And in His blissful presence
 Eternally rejoice!

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all

people according to their needs.

+++ Special Intercessions +++

Each concluding: Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy, People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we

pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

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 and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

441 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.
 O Savior meek, pursue Thy road,
 With palms and scattered garments strowed.
- Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 In lowly pomp ride on to die.
 O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin
 O'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 The angel armies of the sky
 Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes
 To see the approaching sacrifice.
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh.
 The Father on His sapphire throne
 Awaits His own anointed Son.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 In lowly pomp ride on to die.
 Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
 Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

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POSTLUDE

"Hosanna!" Theodore Dubois

Prepare for next weekend's worship by reading: Isaiah 25:6-9; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Mark 16:1-8 Find a devotional guide on the readings at www.chapelofthecross.org/walkingtogether

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Serving at Chapel

Ellory Glenn

Liturgist:	Theodore La	Theodore Laesch	
Singers:	5:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m.	Grace, Jonah & Anne Meyer Ted Laesch	
	11:00 a.m.	Lynn Fruend, Lynda Christian &	

Denise Koch

Instrumentalists: Nate Laesch, trumpet

Handbell Director: Jen Schmidt

Preacher:

Organist & Accompanist: Ryan Meyer

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