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**Come, Worship the Lord, Our God  
Palm Sunday**

**March 28, 2021**

**10:00am**

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Blessed is Jesus, who comes in God's name.

**Hosanna! The realm of God comes near.**

Blessed are all who come in the name of the Holy God.

**Hosanna! The realm of God comes near.**

Blessed are you, when you come in God's name.

**Hosanna! The realm of God comes near.**

Come, let us worship God!

## **GATHERING PRAYER**

God of salvation, our Lord entered his passion to raise us to life. In this holiest of weeks, help us to walk the way of the cross, that we may be raised in a resurrection like his and dwell forever in you, Eternal God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

**HYMN:**                    *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*                    #197

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Let us confess our sins to God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**We confess that we have sinned, and although we would like to deny it, we have forsaken you. We are horrified by the suffering we cause—to you, ourselves, and the world you have created. Open the gates of your forgiveness and restore us in your love, for the sake of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Time for Silent Confession*

## **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

**The Lord God helps us; we will not be disgraced. The Lord God helps us; who can declare us guilty? Sisters and brothers, beyond the shadow of doubt, our sins are forgiven. By the mercy of Christ, let us stand together forgiven and free.**

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Come Holy Spirit, source of all life. As we hear again the story of Palm Sunday, let the same mind be in us that was in Christ, who was a servant that we might be free. Awaken our ears, open our hearts, and sustain the weary with your Word. Amen.

## **SCRIPTURE LESSONS:**

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Mark 11:1-11

## **SERMON**

The Rev. Leslie Latham

### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

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

### **CALL TO THE OFFERING**

God is our rock and our fortress. Let us celebrate our salvation by fearlessly giving a portion of what has already been given to us, either by placing it in the basket in the back of the church, or by mailing it in.

### **THE OFFERTORY**

#### **DOXOLOGY**

### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Holy God, we give thanks for your saving love made known to us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. Bless these gifts that they may bring life on earth as in heaven; in Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

**HYMN:**                    *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*                    #196

### **CHARGE**

Let the same mind be in you that was in Jesus Christ. Go forth in peace to love and serve the world.

### **BENEDICTION**

(All hymn lyrics are found on the last page)

## **Hymns**

### **All Glory Laud, and Honor**

#### ***Refrain:***

All glory laud and honor to thee, Redeemer King,  
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

1. Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,  
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One.
2. The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;  
Our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present
3. To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;  
To thee, now high exalted our melody we raise.
4. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the praise we bring,  
Who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King!

#### **Hosanna, Loud Hosanna**

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;  
Through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,  
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd,  
The victor palm-branch waving, and chanting clear and loud;  
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,  
Nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,  
For Christ is our Redeemer; the Lord of heaven, our King.  
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,  
And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.