

<p>April 10, 2022 Palm Sunday</p>

WORDS OF INTRODUCTION

BLESSING OF PALMS & PARADE

Pastor: Hosanna!

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Pastor: Hosanna in the highest!

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Pastor: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

Congregation: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

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Pastor: Hosanna in the Highest!

Congregation: Hosanna in the Highest!

Pastor: As we wave our palms and parade to our seats, let us continue to shout our hosannas and then, join our voices in singing: *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna.*

HYMN

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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CALL TO CONFESSION

Pastor: Today is the first day of Holy Week and our voices of praise and steps to follow Jesus are easy. But we know that this is not always the case, for all sin and fall short of God's glory. Let us confess of how quickly and easily we fall away...

LITANY OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Today we will cheer you on, Jesus, as our champion, and hail you as our hero.

All: *Forgive us tomorrow, Jesus, when on Monday, our enthusiasm wanes.*

Pastor: Today we will entrust you, Jesus, to rescue us from our pitiful circumstances.

All: *Forgive us on Tuesday, Jesus, when we decide we can take care of ourselves – and have little to need of you.*

Pastor: Today, Jesus, we will make you the centerpiece of our very existence.

All: *Forgive us on Wednesday, Jesus, when we forget to even remember or think of you.*

Pastor: Today we shall call out to you LOUDLY by name: JESUS!

All: *Forgive us on Thursday, Jesus, when we pretend that we've never met you.*

Pastor: Today we will stare at you Jesus, with the star struck eyes of fans and groupies.

All: *Forgive us on Friday, Jesus, when we avert our eyes from the cross because it's too painful to witness suffering.*

Pastor: Today, Jesus, we proclaim unbridled hopefulness in the future you have in store for us.

All: *Forgive us on Saturday, Jesus, when we believe the lie, that all is lost.*

Pastor: This is Good News. Today, Jesus, we are certain of the earthly ways you will redeem us.

All: *On Sunday, Jesus, you will restore us when we are startled and awed again by your rising from the dead! Blessed are you, Jesus, the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna! HOSANNA! HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST!*

HYMN OF PRAISE

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

1. All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King,
 2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing thee on high;
 3. To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring,
 and mor - tal men, and all things cre - a - ted, make re - ply.
 to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.

Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.
 our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

A RESPONSIVE READING of Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

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

Congregation: God's love endures forever!

Liturgist: Let Israel say:
"God's love endures forever."

Congregation: God's love endures forever!

Liturgist: Open for me the gates of the righteous;
I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.

Congregation: God's love endures forever!

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

**Congregation: I will give you thanks, O God, for you answered me;
you have become my salvation.**

Liturgist: The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;

**Congregation: The LORD has done this,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

Liturgist: The LORD has done it this very day;
let us rejoice today and be glad.

**Congregation: Please, LORD! Please, save us!
LORD, grant us success!**

Liturgist: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the LORD.

Congregation: We bless you from the house of the LORD!

Liturgist: The LORD is God,
and he has made his light shine on us.

**Congregation: With boughs in hand, we join in the festive procession.
You are God, and we will praise you!
You are my God, and I will exalt you!**

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

**Congregation: God's faithful love endures forever and ever.
Amen.**

GOSPEL READING**Luke 19:28-40****SERMON****Rev. Laura C. Baker****OFFERING INVITATION**

Liturgist: The crowds offered their coats to walk on, they waved palm branches honoring the Messiah's presence. Today, we have the awesome privilege of honoring the Lord with our faithful tithes and offerings. In our hearts, let us gather them and place them on the altar as a humble token of our love – a devoted act of affection for our King of Kings. Please join me in dedicating our tithes and offerings with a prayer...

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: O God, on that first Palm Sunday Jesus rode into the city where he soon would die. Just as his disciples and the crowds blessed his entry, spreading garments and branches, so we've come to lay at your feet, our gifts – symbols of all we have and all we are. May this offering be our non-verbal "Hosanna," as we bless your beloved Son, the One who comes in the name of the Lord who taught us to pray, saying: 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.

ANTHEM*(The Day He Wore My Crown)***Chancel Choir**

*To the Cross
Old Rugged Cross*

BENEDICTION

Pastor: We welcomed the King of Glory and waved our branches high!

All: ***We shouted "HOSANNA!" and "BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!"***

Pastor: Like Jerusalem, we opened the gates of our hearts...

All: ***And our Savior entered in.***

Pastor: But the road has been long, and the crowds are now thin...

All: ***the dust has settled and only a few tired hosannas remain...
HOSANNA! Hosanna. Hosanna...***

Pastor: The palms are abandoned and lie withered and bruised on the road...

All: ***and our spirits are starting to feel uneasy in the deepening dark.***

Pastor: So, please, stay with us, O Lord Jesus Christ because night will soon fall...

All: ***Then, stay with us, O Lord Jesus Christ – Light in our darkness...***

SUNG BENEDICTION*Stay with us**(Sing 7 times - the Biblical number of completion)*

♩ = 72 Gm E^bma⁷ D Cm B^b/D F Gm

Gm E^bma⁷ E^b6 D Gm/D Dm⁷ E^b/D Dm *mf*

Stay with us, O Lord Je - sus Christ, night will soon fall. Then
Bleib mit dei - ner Gna - de bei uns, Herr Je - su Christ. Ach,

Gm E^b Cm F B^b Cm B^b/D F⁶ Gm D

f, *p subito*

stay with us, O Lord Je - sus Christ, light in our dark - ness.
bleib mit dei - ner Gna - de bei uns, du treu - er Gott.

Please leave the sanctuary and the church in REVERENT SILENCE.

We will gather again on Maundy Thursday, (7 PM) downstairs in Fellowship Hall, before moving upstairs for a Service of Shadows and the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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1. Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2. From O - liv - et they fol - lowed, 'mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
 3. "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang;
 the vic - t'ry palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud;
 for Christ is our Re - deem - er, the Lord of heav'n, our King.

to Je - sus, who had blessed them, close fold - ed to his breast,
 the Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state;
 O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.
 and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.