



Palm Sunday

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Philippians 2:8

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April 5, 2020



WELCOME

PALM SUNDAY CALL TO WORSHIP

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: O Jesus, as you entered into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, enter today into our hearts.

C: For you have come to save us! Hosanna in the highest!

P: Lord Jesus, we welcome you today in this church, and in our homes.

C: For your presence here makes God known to us. Hosanna in the highest!

P: King Jesus, make your rule and reign spread throughout all the world.

C: For your kingdom is everlasting, and you rule over all! Hosanna in the highest!

P: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

C: Blessed is the King of Israel and the King of all! Hosanna in the highest!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

King Jesus, our Savior and God, we are privileged to live under your reign and rule. We are blessed so much more than we deserve. We confess our sins, our shortcomings, our doubts, our disloyalty, our unfaithfulness, our disobedience, our broken relationships, our self-centered living. We are not worthy to be in your holy presence. We plead for your mercy. Forgive us, Lord, and enter our hearts with your gracious love. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.

(silence for reflection and self-examination)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so 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.

PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL

Matthew 21:1-11

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." ⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

⁵ "Say to the daughter of Zion,
'Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'"

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸ Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" ¹⁰ And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" ¹¹ And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

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**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

DCE Steven McCarthy

MUSICAL SELECTION

*"All Laud And Honor, Hosanna"
Rob Varner*

SERMON FOR PALM SUNDAY

"Wrong Answer"
Pastor Lew Upchurch

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

P: Lord, in your mercy...

C: Hear our 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 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.**

PRAYER FOR HOLY WEEK

P: Lord of the Church, during this Holy Week you call your people from around the world to follow you through your Passion, death, and resurrection. Bless the worship of your people this week, and move our hearts to deeper faith by the contemplation of these awesome, life-giving events. May your flock be fed, no matter how scattered we may seem to be, and may your glory be revealed.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

P: The worship is ended.

C: **The service now begins.**

P: Go in peace and serve Christ the King.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



Join us for Holy Week Services



Hope's worship services for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday will be online this year. During Holy Week, we remember and commemorate the sacred events that form the very center of our Christian faith. We'll be incorporating some video elements in these services, as we try to keep some of our congregation's beautiful Holy Week liturgical traditions alive in this unusual year.

- **Maundy Thursday (April 9, available after 5PM)**
As Jesus gathered with his disciples for a Last Supper before he was crucified, so we gather around the Lord's Table on this holy night.
- **Good Friday (April 10, available after 5PM)**
One of the most moving and eloquent worship hours of the whole year. We hear the seven "Words from the Cross" that Jesus spoke, and remember soberly the suffering and torments of Calvary.
- **Easter Sunday (April 12, available after 6:30AM)**
Hope's celebration of the Lord Jesus Christ's resurrection from the dead will remind us all of the meaning and power of Easter for our everyday living as God's people.

***We pray that the body of Christ here at Hope
will join together for these sacred days of worship.***

HYMNS FOR PALM SUNDAY

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” (LBW108, vs. 1-3)



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



- 1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing you on high;
- 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went.



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
Our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" (LSB443)



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle chil - dren sang;
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid an ex - ul - tant 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 - tor 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
Oh, may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice

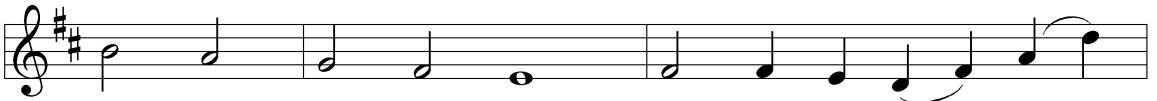


The chil - dren sang their prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.
Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.
And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

"Jesus Shall Reign" (LBW530)



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring hon - ors pe -



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
cu - liar to our King; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

"Lamb of God" (TCH302)

Unison

1. Your on-ly Son, no sin to hide, But You have sent Him from Your
2. Your gift of love they cru-ci-fied, They laughed and scorned Him as He
3. I was so lost I should have died, But You have brought me to Your

side To walk up-on this guilt-y sod, And to be-come the Lamb of God.
died; The hum-ble King they named a fraud, And sac-ri-ficed the Lamb of God.
side To be led by Your staff and rod, And to be called a lamb of God.

Refrain

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God; I love the

ho - ly Lamb of God. O wash me in His pre - cious

last time rit.
blood. 1,2. My Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.
3. Till I am just a lamb of God.

"Ride On, Ride On In Majesty" (LSB441, vs. 1-2, 5)

The image shows a musical score for three voices: Soprano (1), Alto (2), and Tenor (5). The score is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are as follows:

1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the
2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly

tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur -
pomp ride on to die. O Christ, Thy tri - umphs
pomp ride on to die. Bow Thy meek head to

sue Thy road, With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
now be - gin, O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.