

# **Palm Sunday**

## **April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

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### **PRELUDE**

*Glory to Our God and King*

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*Festal March on 'St. Theodulp'*

By Robert Hughes based on tune by Melchior Teschner. Copyright: 1978 Lorenz Publishing Co. CCLI# 2153397

### **WELCOME**

### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Compassionate One,

**C: you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We waste the abundant gifts of the earth. Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Amen.**

P: Beloved in Christ, God's arms are always stretched open wide to welcome the wandering ones home. In ✠ Christ your sins are forgiven. You have a place in God's house forever.

**C: Amen.**

## BLESSING OF THE PALMS

P: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C: Hosanna in the highest.**

P: We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who wave them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## GATHERING HYMN                      ELW 344      “All Glory, Laud and Honor”

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*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 Blessed One.    REFRAIN*

2.  
*The company of angels are praising You on high;  
creation and all mortals in chorus make reply.      REFRAIN*

3.  
*The multitude of pilgrims with palms before You went;  
our praise and prayer and anthems before You we present.    REFRAIN*

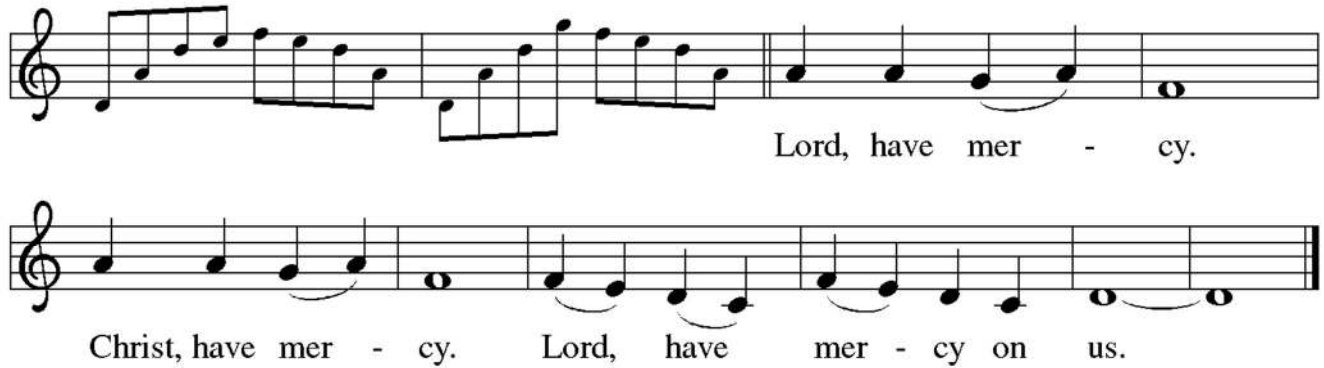
4.  
*To You, before Your passion, they sang their hymns of praise.  
To You, now high exalted, our melody we raise!    REFRAIN*

## GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you**

## KYRIE



Music: Swee Hong Lim

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

## WILDERNESS PRAYER

P: This season, we have been visualizing and building our own Lenten wilderness using this box in the center of the sanctuary by adding a different element each week, and using it as an opportunity to name and pray for particular facets of life that leave us feeling like we're lost in a desert.

Today, as we remember our Lord's triumphant entrance into Jerusalem and begin the journey of Holy Week, we give thanks for how Christ has walked with us through all of our challenges, our sorrows, and our fears. We have named our concerns for our health, the despair of hunger in our world, the devastation of violence and warfare, our need for shelter and safety, and our failure to honor the image of God in everyone.

Let us pray now for the wilderness in which we wander.

**C: O God, when you went out before your people, when you marched through the wilderness, the earth quaked and the heavens poured down rain at your presence. Even the stones of the desert cry out in praise. Do not leave us lost. Call us into the multitude**



that rejoice at your approach as we sing of your glory with loud voices and hopeful hearts.  
Amen.

**FIRST READING**      *Isaiah 50:4-9a*

The Lord God has given me  
a trained tongue,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.  
Morning by morning he wakens,  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.  
The Lord God has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious;  
I did not turn backward.  
I gave my back to those who struck me  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.

The Lord God helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
he who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand in court together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.  
It is the Lord God who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

The Word of the Lord  
**C: Thanks be to God**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**      *Prayer of Adoration*      The Son-Light Choir  
Words and music by Mary Dawson and Marvin Gaspard. Arr. by John Carter. The Son-Light Choir  
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**SECOND READING**      *Philippians 2:5-11*

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,  
who, though he existed in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
as something to be grasped,

but emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
assuming human likeness.  
And being found in appearance as a human,  
he humbled himself  
and became obedient to the point of death—  
even death on a cross.

Therefore God exalted him even more highly  
and gave him the name  
that is above every other name,  
so that at the name given to Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue should confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.

Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.

Save us as you prom-ised; we will trust your word.

Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St Luke

**C: Glory to you, O Lord**

## **GOSPEL READING**

*Luke 19:28-40*

After he had said this, Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, “Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’ ” So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” They said, “The Lord needs it.” Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. Now as he was approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

“Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven,  
and glory in the highest heaven!”

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

P: The Gospel of our Lord

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

## **CHILDREN’S STORY TIME**

We invite you to sing along when indicated

*"Pave the Way with Branches"*

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*Jesus is coming! Pave the way with branches.*

*Jesus is coming! Hosanna!*

## **SERMON**

Pastor Rebecca Truland

## **SERMON HYMN**

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna!*

Words by Jennette Threlfall para. Matthew 21: 1-11. Music: Gesangbuch der H.W.K. Hofkapelle. Copyright: Public Domain

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.*

2.

*From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd,  
the victor palm branch waving, the 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.*

3.

*"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!*

## **APOSTLE'S CREED**

P: Let us confess our faith using the words of the creed..

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

## **THE PRAYERS of the People**

A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

A: Merciful God

**C: Receive our prayer**

A: Help us to love our neighbors and to pray for their wholeness, strength and healing...

Jeanette K.  
Hattie  
David G.  
Peter S.  
Andrea

A: Merciful God

**C: Receive our prayer**

The Carrolls  
Jeff Gosch  
Mary  
The Leenman family  
The Oddo family

A: Merciful God

**C: Receive our prayer**

Ann Marie S.  
Christi & Bryan  
The family of Jim & Carole Bock  
The family of Steve Herhager  
Bill Brotherton

A: Merciful God

**C: Receive our prayer**

*Please speak additional names aloud or silently in your heart*

A: Merciful God

**C: Receive our prayer**

P: Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.

**C: Amen.**

**THE PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**



*(Greet one another with a sign of peace as you feel comfortable)*

## **OFFERING**

P: Let us gather our tithes and offerings for the sake of serving God and our neighbors.

## **OFFERING MUSIC**     *God So Loved the World*

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P: Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen.**

## **COMMUNION LITURGY**

*(Communion provided offers wine and white grape juice as well as gluten-free wafers as an option. Please ask the Pastor for gluten-free wafers as needed. If you desire to receive a blessing, come forward with arms crossed. If you desire communion, come forward and extend your hands.)*

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **PREFACE**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and  
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe.

Your mercy is everlasting

and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness  
to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.  
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup  
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

P: O God of resurrection and new life:  
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Bless this feast.  
Grace our table with your presence.  
**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.  
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.  
Breathe new life into us.  
Send us forth,  
burning with justice, peace, and love.  
**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: With your holy ones of all times and places,  
with the earth and all its creatures,  
with sun and moon and stars,

we praise you, O God,  
blessed and holy Trinity,  
now and forever.  
**C: 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;  
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.**

*Lamb of God on next page...*

## LAMB OF GOD

Chords: F, C/E, Dm, F/A, B♭, F/C, C

Lyrics: Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is your

name;

Chords: F, C, F, C/E, Dm, F/A

Lyrics: Je - sus, Lamb of God,

Chords: B♭, F/C, C

Lyrics: wor - thy is your

name.

Chords: B♭/F, F, B♭/C, C

Lyrics: name.

Chords: B♭/F, F

Lyrics: name.

Text and music: refrain of "All in All," Dennis Jernigan  
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## COMMUNION MUSIC *Ride On, Ride On in Majesty*

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## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Generous God, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **HOLY WEEK LITANY**

**P:** Gracious God, we give thanks for the triumph of Christ's entry into Jerusalem, for the hosannas we sing and the joy that fills our hearts.

**C: Lord, let us not forget the cost of this victory, and prepare our hearts to follow Christ through his passion.**

**P:** As we enter this holy week, we confess our need for your mercy, for our hearts are often divided, and we fail to follow you fully.

**C: Forgive us, O God, and draw us closer to the cross, that we may know the depth of your love and grace.**

**P:** On his final night with his friends, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples and gave us a new commandment to love one another.

**C: Grant us the strength to serve one another with love and humility, even as Christ has served us.**

**P:** As he drew his final breaths, our Lord cried out at his own pain while also speaking forgiveness and mercy to others.

**C: Guide us through the shadows of this holy week, that we may be transformed by your sacrifice and eagerly await the day of resurrection.**

## **BLESSING**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

## **SENDING HYMN**      *Ride On, Ride On in Majesty*

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*1.*

*Ride on, ride on in majesty!*

*Hear all the tribes "Hosanna!" cry;*

*O savior meek, Your road pursue*

*with palms and scattered garments strewed.*

2.

*Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die.  
O Christ, Your triumphs now begin  
o'er captive death and conquered sin.*

3.

*Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
The hosts of angels in the sky  
look down with sad and wond'ring eyes  
to see the approaching sacrifice.*

4.

*Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die,  
bow Your meek head to mortal pain,  
then take, O Christ, Your pow'r and reign!*

## **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Show love for all.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

*Lamb of God*

The King of Kings Brass Ensemble

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