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PALM SUNDAY



"Palm Sunday", by New Mexican Artist Jesus Antonio Mata

March 28, 2021

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...

an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

You Are My All in All arr. Larry Shackley

Gospel

Mark 11:1-11 (The Message, alt.)

When Jesus and his disciples were nearing Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany on Mount Olives, he sent off two of the disciples with instructions: "Go to the village across from you. As soon as you enter, you'll find a colt tethered, one that has never yet been ridden. Untie it and bring it. If anyone asks, 'What are you doing?' say, 'The Master needs him, and will return him right away.'"

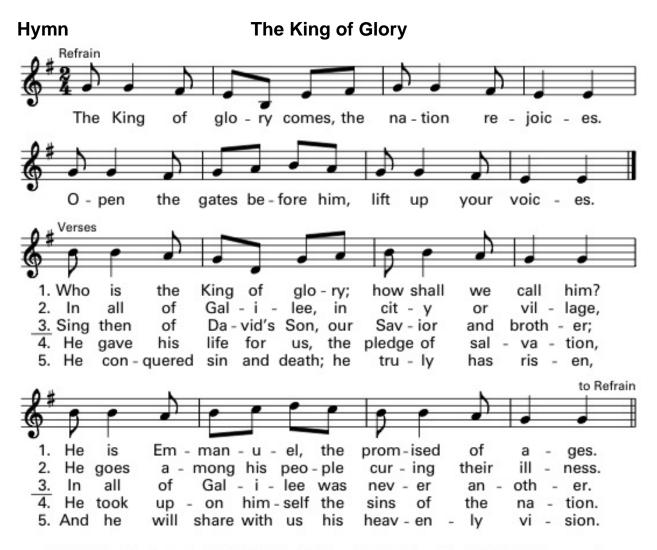
They went and found a colt tied to a door at the street corner and untied it. Some of those standing there said, "What are you doing untying that colt?" The disciples replied exactly as Jesus had instructed them, and the people let them alone. They brought the colt to Jesus, spread their coats on it, and he mounted.

The people gave him a wonderful welcome, some throwing their coats on the street, others spreading out rushes they had cut in the fields. Running ahead and following after, they were calling out,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is he who comes in God's name! Blessed the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in highest heaven!"

He entered Jerusalem, then entered the Temple. He looked around, taking it all in. But by now it was late, so he went back to Bethany with the Twelve.



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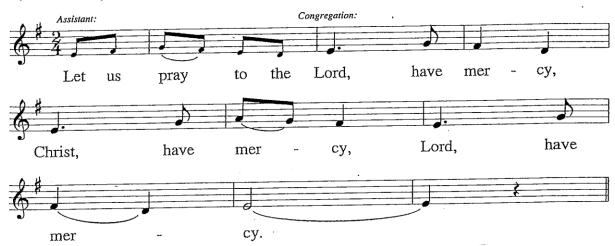


Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the friendship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

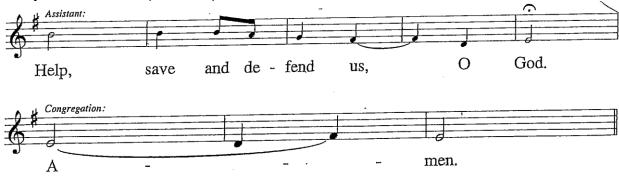
Kyrie

In peace, in peace,



For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all ... (Refrain)

For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word ... (Refrain)



WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29



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Give thanks to the LORD, for the | Lord is good; God's mercy en- | dures forever. Let Israel | now declare, "God's mercy en- | dures forever." Open for me the | gates of righteousness: I will enter them and give thanks | to the LORD. "This is the gate | of the LORD; here the righ- | teous may enter." I give thanks to you, for you have | answered me and you have become | my salvation. The stone that the build- | ers rejected has become the chief | cornerstone. By the LORD has | this been done; it is marvelous | in our eyes. This is the day that the | LORD has made; let us rejoice and be | glad in it. Hosanna! | O LORD, save us! We pray to you, LORD, pros- | per our days! Blessed is the one who comes in the name | of the LORD; we bless you from the house | of the Lord. The LORD is God and has giv- | en us light. Form a procession with branches up to the corners | of the altar. You are my God, and | I will thank you; you are my God, and I | will exalt you. Give thanks to the LORD, | for the LORD is good; God's mercy en- | dures forever.

Reading Zechariah 9:9-1 (Contemporary English Version, adapted)

A reading from the prophet Zechariah

Everyone in Jerusalem, celebrate and shout!
Your king has won a victory, and he is coming to you.
He is humble and rides on a donkey;
he comes on the colt of a donkey.
I, the Lord, will take away war chariots and horses from Israel and Jerusalem.
Bows that were made for battle will be broken.
I will bring peace to nations, and your king will rule from sea to sea,

from ocean to land's end.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.

Ministry of MusicHosanna to the KingCraig CourtneySenior Choir, Emily Kent and Jennifer Young, soloists

Hosanna to the King of kings, Hosanna to the Lord of lords,

Hosanna to the great I AM, who reigns forever, reigns forevermore, who reigns forevermore.

If you will feed the hungry, give water to the thirsty, and welcome any stranger, then you may call Him Lord.

Oh brother, if you keep silent, oh sister, if you keep silent, oh brother, if you keep silent, the rocks and stones will cry out!

Hosanna to the King of kings, Hosanna to the Lord of lords, Hosanna to the great I AM, who reigns forever, reigns forevermore, who reigns forevermore.

Apostles Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

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.

Community Prayers

Let us pray....

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Lea Spang, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy, Kelly Scott, Diane Louangrath, Sue Baker and Cathy Oldham, Julie Denniss' uncle Ed Stewart, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Lynn Belhorn's friend MaryAnn, Doretha Holland, Shirley and Jack Miller, Deidre (DJ) Zimmer, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Carolyn and Ed Klopfer, Nancy Stinson's brother Tom Starkey, Barbara and David Hairston, Ken and Grace Jones, Dora Pinder and family.

Children's Time

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. Lift up your hearts. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. And also with you. We lift them to the Lord.

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It is right to give our thanks and praise.

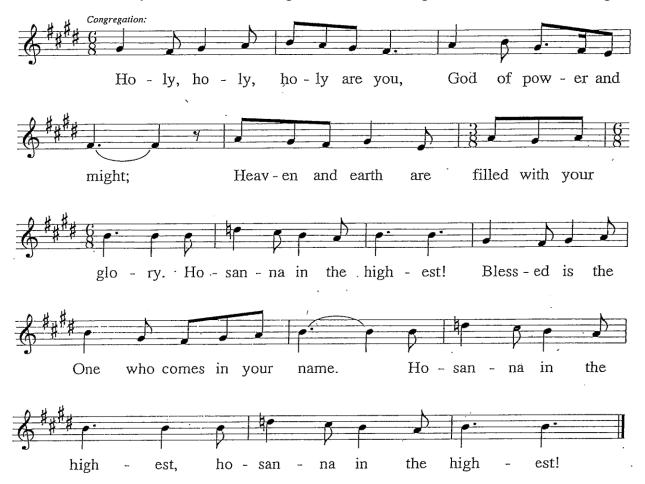
We are right to praise you, faithful God! You answer sin with grace; you guide our wayward steps toward home. You are mending for the broken,

Amen.

safety for the poor, belonging for the outcast, strength for the weak, and pardon for the sinner.

You reveal your kindness in every sorrow, your mercy even in death. All your creatures see your works; they sing your steadfast love.

We too declare your wonder and grace as with angels and saints we sing:



- Now, O God, we remember Jesus. He fasted and prayed; he was tempted and tried. He relied on you for everything. He was obedient to you and scorned by the powers of this world. He confounded the haughty and gave hope to the humble. He was betrayed and deserted. He died between thieves and was buried in a borrowed grave. You gave him new life. He lives even now, our healer and friend. He loved us well, loved us to the end, and loves us still.
- Even on the night of betrayal, he ate supper with his friends. He took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them saying, "Take this and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this to remember me."
- After supper, he took the cup and gave it to them, saying, "This is the new covenant sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this to remember me."
- Holy Spirit, come! Make all things new. Bless this bread which you have given and human hands have made. Let it become for us the bread of

life. Bless also this cup, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. Let it become for us the cup of salvation.

We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to say:

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Bless us also who eat and drink, that in this sharing we may know the living Christ who is with us now, and to the end of the age. Nourish us by these gifts to be willing servants of your world until the new age comes, and every creature beholds it.

Sharing the Meal

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. This is Jesus' table: he made no restrictions, and neither do we.



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Thank you, merciful God, for gladness in this bread and cup, for love that cannot die, for peace the world cannot give, for joy in the company of friends, for the splendors of creation, and for the mission of justice you have made our own. Give us the gifts of this holy communion — oneness of heart, love for neighbors, forgiveness of enemies, the will to serve you every day, and life that never ends. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

WE ARE SENT



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Announcements

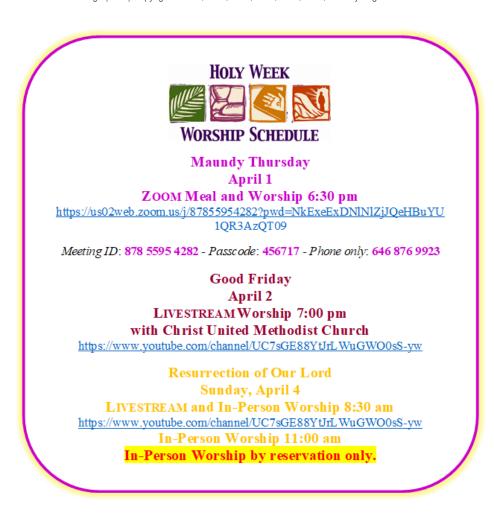
Postlude

All Glory, Laud, and Honor, arr. Lloyd Larson

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OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

David Shull, Pastor
Michele Disbro
Tori Reed
Michele Disbro
Jennifer Young
Kathy Rapp
Karen Kent
Miles Smith
Sue Yehling, Michele Disbro

Noisy Offering will go to ELCA Disaster Relief.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER MARCH 28 - APRIL 4

Today	10:00 am 11:15 am	LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion ZOOM Adult Education
Tuesday	1:00 pm	ZOOM Bible Study
Thursday	6:30 pm	ZOOM Maundy Thursday Worship
Friday	7:00 pm	LIVESTREAM Good Friday Worship
Next Sunday	8:30 am	LIVESTREAM and In-Person Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 am	In-Person Worship with Holy Communion





A Love Letter from a Black Preacher to the Whitest Denomination in the U.S.

This week **concluding our discussion**. Topic: Sunday Adult Education Zoom Meeting Time: **n15 AM**

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