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Palm Sunday

HOSANNA TO THE KING

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Welcome and Greeting

Please stand

Call to Worship

P We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

442 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

sts. ref-1, 3, 5

Refrain

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,
3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims With palms be - fore You went;
5 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain
Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.
Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore You we pre - sent.
O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

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Confession and Absolution

P The Lord God is loving, merciful, and provides fresh beginnings every day. Our God has claimed us as His Children and yet we often fail to live like we belong to Him. We try and fail, try again and fail again. We are stuck in a pattern of brokenness and can't break free on our own, but in Jesus Christ, we have hope! God has provided the Way for us to be made new again by admitting and confessing our need for His forgiveness in Christ. In these next few moments, we pause to seek his mercy and forgiveness once more.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

Prayer of Confession

P Let us pray,

C **Heavenly Father, you love us perfectly and offer a fresh start once again today. We thank you that by faith in your Son, Jesus, we have been given a new identity as your children. We know that our lives are inconsistent with that identity. We say one thing and do something else, but you continue to love us and call us back to yourself. We pray that by your Holy Spirit's work, we would believe your Word and trust in your promise to forgive us. We humbly ask that you help us to grow more fully into who you created us to be. In the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen**

P Our Heavenly Father loves us! He gave His only son, Jesus Christ, to die in our place and for his sake, forgives us all our sins! It is by His authority that I have the privilege to declare His forgiveness to you in Christ Jesus. You are forgiven, and the new life is yours, in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated

Video Hymn of Praise "There is a Redeemer" written by Melody Green

Prayer

Psalm 118:19–29

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD. The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us.

Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar! You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you. Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

P This is the word of the Lord,

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty first chapter

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

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, 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. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

“Say to the daughter of Zion,
‘Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’”

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 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!” And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Baptism of Eugene and Atwell Blanchard (10:30 a.m. service)

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 there 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.

Please be seated

343 Prepare the Royal Highway



1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; The King of kings is near!
 2 God's peo - ple, see Him com - ing: Your own e - ter - nal king!
 3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen To greet your prom-ised king!
 4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; It comes from heav'n a - bove.



Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley A lev - el road ap - pear!
 Palm branch-es strew be - fore Him! Spread gar-ments! Shout and sing!
 Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion Its trib - ute too should bring.
 His rule is peace and free - dom And jus - tice, truth, and love.



Then greet the King of Glo - ry Fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:
 God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
 All lands, bow down be - fore Him! All na - tions, now a - dore Him!
 So let your praise be sound - ing For kind - ness so a - bound - ing:

Refrain



Ho - san - na to the Lord, For He ful - fills God's Word!

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SERMON : "GETTING STIRRED UP" MATTHEW 21:1-11

Please stand

955 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our



cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were



sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the



hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we



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Prayer of the Congregation

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

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.

Please remain standing

Words of the Institution

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please be seated

Holy Communion

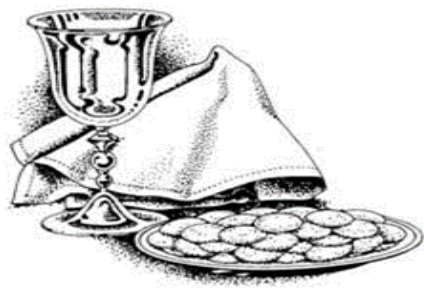
Communion Video: "Me on Your Mind" by Matthew West

Continuous Distribution by Pastor

(Family units will come forward to receive the elements and take them to their seats. Please wait to eat and drink until instructed.)

All receive the Sacrament together

(Pastor will indicate when to take the wafer and then the cup.)



Thank the Lord

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C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -
joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-
es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Benediction

924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's
3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling
joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion
pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,
Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,
O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.
may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

Dismissal

P Go in Peace, serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**



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