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Welcome and Greeting

Please Stand

Call to Worship

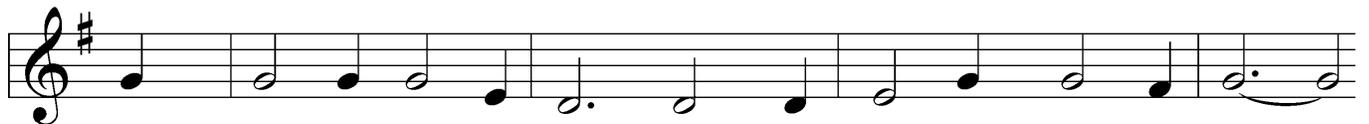
P We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen!

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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Tune: Swedish, 17th cent.
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Confession of Sins

P See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! Even so, God's word also reminds us that if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If, however we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

Prayer of Confession

P Almighty God, Merciful Father,

C We acknowledge our brokenness and failure to live as Your children. We confess that we are stuck in our sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ we humbly ask for your mercy and forgiveness. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may find joy again in Your will and walk faithfully as Your children, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

P Almighty God, in His mercy, has given us His only Son Jesus Christ to die for us 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 now, in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

C Thanks be to God! Amen!

Please be seated

Hymn of Praise: "There is a Redeemer" by Melody Green

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1. There is a Re - deem - er, Je - sus, God's own Son,
2. Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, name a - bove all names,
3. When I stand in glo - ry, I will see his face;

5 D G D Em A D

pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, Ho - ly One.
pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, hope for sin - ners slain.
there I'll serve my king for - ev - er, in that ho - ly place.

9 D G D G D A

Thank you, O my Fa - ther, for giv-ing us your Son and

13 D G D A G A D

leav - ing your Spir - it till the work on earth is done.

Prayer of the Day

Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

Please Stand

John 12:1, 12–27

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

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

Six days before the Passover, Jesus therefore came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead.

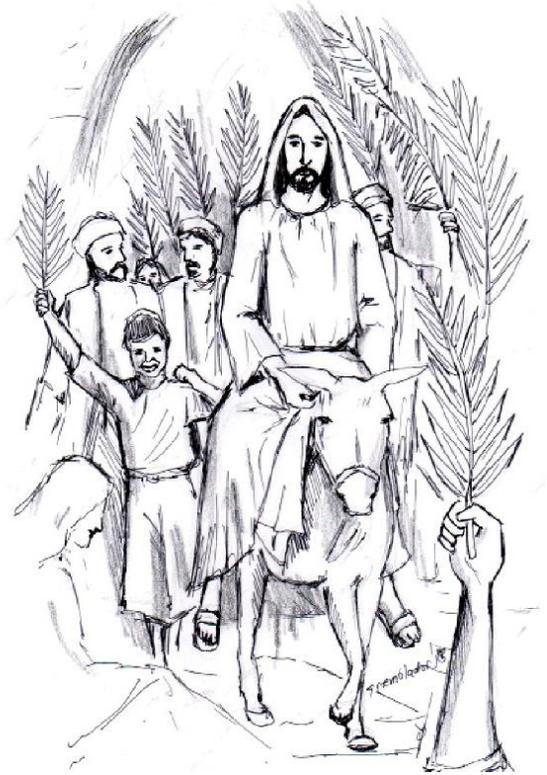
The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!” And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

*“Fear not, daughter of Zion;
behold, your king is coming,
sitting on a donkey’s colt!”*

His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.”

Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

“Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour.



P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Apostles' Creed

**C 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

550 Lamb of God



1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, But You have
2 Your Gift of love they cru - ci - fied, They laughed and
3 I was so lost, I should have died, But You have



sent Him from Your side To walk up - on this guilt - y
scorned Him as He died: The hum - ble King they named a
brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and

sod, And to be - come the Lamb of God.
 fraud, And sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.
 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 blood, My Je-sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

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SERMON:
DOWN BEFORE UP
(PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11)

Please Stand

782 Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings

sts. 1, ref, 2, 4

1 Gra - cious God, You send great bless - ings
 2 By Your Word You formed cre - a - tion
 △ 4 Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, may our car - ing

New each morn - ing all our days. For Your mer - cies
 Filled with crea - tures large and small; As we tend that
 Bear the im - print of Your grace; With the Son and



nev - er end - ing, For Your love we of - fer praise.
end - less trea - sure May our care en - cir - cle all.
Ho - ly Spir - it, Praise be Yours in ev - 'ry place!

Refrain



Lord, we pray that we, Your peo-ple Who Your gifts un - num-bered claim,



Through the shar-ing of Your bless-ings May bring glo-ry to Your name.

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Prayer of the Congregation

A Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer

C 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

Video During Communion: "You Are My King (Amazing Love)" by The Newsboys

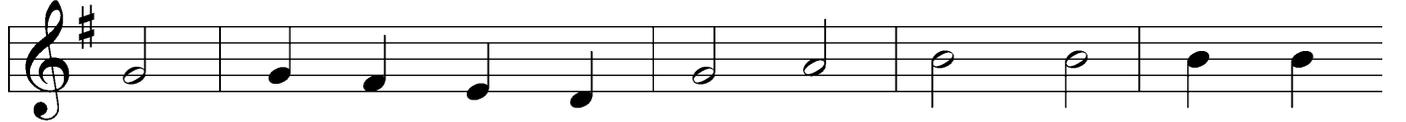
Continuous Distribution by Pastor

(Family units 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.)

632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee



1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt
2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is



thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -
come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -



ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.
in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

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Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois
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Benediction

Hosanna!

837 Lift High the Cross

sts. ref-1, 4, 6

Refrain



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till



all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Cap - tain trod,
4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
6 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
As Thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to Thee.
Praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Refrain

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Dismissal

P Go in Peace, serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

Please be seated and please wait for the ushers to dismiss you.

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If anyone serves Me,
he must **follow Me**;
and where I am, there
will My servant be also.
If anyone serves Me,
**the Father will
honor him.**

John 12:26 ESV

