

**Order of Worship April 10, 2022
Palm Sunday**

Welcome

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Call To Worship

Liturgist

L: Awake to the day of triumph for our Savior!

C: We give thanks on this day that leads to the cross.

L: Come with your branches, hosannas, and songs! Let us worship God!

Children Processional and hymn

Blessed is He Who Comes in the Name of the Lord/All Glory, Laud and Honor

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Hosanna to the King, Hosanna to the King, Hosanna to Jesus the King,

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

All glory, laud and honor to Thee, Redeemer King. To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went; Our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present.

Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal son. Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One;

To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise. To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King.

All glory, laud, and honor to Thee Redeemer, King! To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Call to Confession

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Like the people who greeted Jesus as he entered Jerusalem and later pronounced, “Crucify him,” we are fickle people who often deny Christ in our thoughts, words, and deeds. Remembering the events of Jesus’ last week helps us see ourselves for what we are: sinners in need of a savior; a savior—praise God—we have in Christ.

Prayer of Confession

Lord, Jesus Christ, how well you know our hearts, and still you love us, you have loved us to the end. We have denied you, and we have denied our calling to serve one another. We have betrayed you, and we have betrayed your commandment to love one another. Pour out your Spirit of grace upon us. Teach us to love and serve you faithfully and to love and serve one another by the example you have set for us; in your holly name we pray. Amen.

Words of Forgiveness *from Psalm 118:*

Let those who fear the Lord say, His steadfast love endures forever. Out of my distress I called on the Lord; the Lord answered me and set me free. The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord. In Christ, God answers us and sets us free! In Christ, we are forgiven!

Response: The Steadfast Love of the Lord GTG #59

The steadfast Love of the Lord never ceases, God’s mercies never come to an end.
They are new every morning, new every morning; great is your faithfulness, O Lord,
Great is your faithfulness.

Hearing the Word

Message for all God’s Children

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Prayer of Illumination

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Let your word, O God, break open our hearts this day and through the power of the Holy Spirit, that we may enter into the coming Holy Week ready to meet Jesus as he is, not what we expect him to be. Amen

New Testament Reading:

Luke 19:28-42

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28 After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ say, ‘The Lord

needs it.” Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” They replied, “The Lord needs it.” They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road. When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen: “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!” “I tell you,” he replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it and said, “If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace—but now it is hidden from your eyes.

Hymn A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd
A cheering, chanting, dizzy crowd had stripped the green trees bare
And hailing Christ as king aloud, waved branches in the air.

They laid their garments in the road and spread his path with palms
And vows of lasting love bestowed with royal hymns and psalms.

When day dimmed down to deepening dark the crowd began to fade
Till only trampled leaves and bark were left from the parade.

Lest we be fooled because our hearts have surged with passing praise,
Remind us, God, as this week starts where Christ has fixed his gaze.

Instead of palms, a winding sheet will have to be unrolled,
A carpet much more fit to greet the king a cross will hold.

Sermon

“Jesus Wept”

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Responding to the Word

Anthem

In the Name of the Lord

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

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Invitation To The Offertory

Let our hosannas to the one who brings liberation take form in our tithes and offerings.

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Doxology

Praise God the Source of life and birth;
Praise God, the Word, who came to earth. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the Spirit, holy flame, All glory to God's holy name,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Offertory Prayer

God of all good gifts, we thank you for showing us how to care for each other. May these gifts lead to great feasting of those who have no banquets set before them. May these gifts build shelters and places of prayer for those who are homeless. May these gifts proclaim your desire that all your creation live in peace. Give us grateful hearts, O God, in the name of the one who came to draw all people to himself, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

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Prayers of People and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn Ride On! Ride On in Majesty! GTG #198

Ride on! ride on in majesty! Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry;
thy humble beast pursues its road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

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

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
The hosts of angels in the sky

look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow thy meek head to mortal pain;
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

Charge

Let the same mind be in you that is in Christ Jesus, our Lords. Look not at outer appearances, be they humble or grand, but at the heart, to see and serve the child of God that lies in each one of us.

Benediction

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Go in peace, assured of God's presence with you, with the mind of Christ Jesus as your path and guide, and the constant companionship of the Holy Spirit.

Postlude