

Order of Worship for Sunday March 29th, 2020

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements Passing of the Peace

A Time of Preparation

Call to Worship

Pastor: This is Palm Sunday when we remember the triumphal entry.

People: Jesus entered the city as people shouted "hosanna"!

Pastor: But afterwards they denied him and demanded his death.

People: Let Him enter into our lives and never be denied.

Pastor: Jesus is the Christ, the anointed one of God.

People: Hallelujah, thanks be to God!

Opening Prayer (unison)

Gracious God, as we enter this Holy Week, strengthen us to more beyond the festive parade of palms and to follow Jesus into the way of the cross, that united with Him and all the faithful, we may one day enter through the gates of righteousness into the eternal city, the new Jerusalem where we may praise you with Christ and the Holy Spirit forever. Amen.

Hymn "All Glory Laud and Honor"

**1. All glory, laud and honor to Thee, Redeemer,
King, To whom the lips of children made sweet
hosannas ring. Thou art the King of Israel, thou
David's royal Son, Who in the Lord's name
comest, the King and Blessed One.**

**2. The company of angels are praising Thee on
high, And mortal men and all things created
make reply. The people of the Hebrews with
palms before Thee went;**

**Our praise and prayer and anthems before
Thee we present**

**3. 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 praise we bring,
Who in all good delightest, thou good and
gracious King.**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of heaven and earth, we give you thanks for sending us Jesus Christ in your name. Even though we profess to follow Him, we confess in times of trial we too often deny Him. Forgive us and heal us, we pray. Help us to put our faith not in the princes of this world, but only in the Prince of Peace. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choral Response "Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, It is now and ever shall be, World without end.

Amen

Prayers of the People

Anthem "For God So Loved The World"

Scripture "Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29"

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." 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 chief 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 beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success! 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 he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, 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. O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

"Luke 19:28-43"

After he had said this, he 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. As he was now 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." As he came near and saw the city, he wept over it, saying, "If you, even you, had only recognized on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. Indeed, the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up ramparts around you and surround you, and hem you in on every side.

Sermon "Journey to Jerusalem—The Cheering Crowd"

Affirmation of Faith—Apostles' Creed (unison)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn "O How He Loves You and Me"

1. O how He loves you and me! O how He loves you and me! He gave His life; what more could He give?

Chorus

O how He loves you; O how He loves me; O how He loves you and me!

2. Jesus to Calv'ry did go; His love for sinners to show. What He did there bro't hope from despair.

Chorus

O how He loves you; O how He loves me; O how He loves you and me!

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn "Jesus, I Come"

**1. Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I
come to Thee.
Out of my sickness into Thy health, Out of my
want and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to
Thee.**

**2. Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus,
I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I
come to Thee.
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm, Out of
life's storms and into Thy calm,
Out of distress to jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come
to Thee.**

**3. Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I
come; Jesus, I come.
Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to
Thee. Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, Out of
despair into raptures above,
Upward for aye on wings like a dove, Jesus, I
come to Thee.**

**4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I
come to Thee.**

**Out of the depths of ruin untold, Into the
peace of Thy sheltering fold,
Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come
to Thee.**

Benediction

Benediction Response "Make Us One"

Make us one, Lord, make us one,

Holy Spirit, make us one.

Let your love flow, so the world will know, We are one in you.

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