## LIVING STONE WORSHIP

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# Sunday, March 24, 2024 at 10:45 a.m.

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## **Prayer Before Worship**

Everlasting God and Father, You sent Your Son to take our flesh upon Himself and to suffer death on the cross. Grant that, being inspired by His great humility and following His patient example, we may share in His victorious resurrection, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### **Announcements & Greeting**

Children may process down the center aisle, waving palm branches, and return to their pew down the side aisles.

Parents may accompany children as needed and all are invited to take a palm branch.

#### Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the ⊕ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

## **Palm Sunday Processional Gospel**

John 12:12-19

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

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."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

#### **Opening Song**

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

- ref All glory, laud, and honor To You, Redeemer, King, To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.
- 1 You are the King of Israel And David's royal Son, Now in the Lord's name coming, Our King and Blessèd One. Refrain
- 2 The company of angels Is praising You on high, And we with all creation In chorus make reply. Refrain
- 3 The multitude of pilgrims With palms before You went; Our praise and prayer and anthems Before You we present. Refrain
- 4 To You before Your passion They sang their hymns of praise; To You, now high exalted, Our melody we raise. Refrain
- 5 As You received their praises, Accept the prayers we bring, O Source of ev'ry blessing, Our good and gracious King. Refrain

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## Salutation & Prayer of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

## **Old Testament Reading**

Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is He, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and He shall speak peace to the nations; His rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of My covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

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

Epistle Reading 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.

## Song of the Day

Verse 1

Praise is rising, Eyes are turning to You; We turn to You; Hope is stirring Hearts are yearning for You; We long for You;

**Pre-Chorus** 

'Cause when we see You,
We find strength to face the day;
In Your presence
All our fears are washed away, Washed away.

Chorus

Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God who saves us, Worthy of all our praises; Hosanna, hosanna, Come have Your way among us; We welcome You here, Lord Jesus. "Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)"

Verse 2

Hear the sound of Hearts returning to You; We turn to You; In Your Kingdom Broken lives are made new, You make us new; Pre-Chorus

Chorus

'Cause when we see You,
We find strength to face the day;
In Your presence
All our fears are washed away, (repeat)
Washed away.

Chorus

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, hosanna.

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#### **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 thence 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.

## Children's Message

## Offering

Offertory "Great are You Lord"

Verse

You give life. You are love. You bring light to the darkness. You give hope. You restore ev'ry heart that is broken. And great are You, Lord.

Chorus

It's Your breath in our lungs,
So we pour out our praise,
We pour out our praise,
It's Your breath in our lungs,
So we pour out our praise to You only.

Verse

Chorus (2x)

Bridge 3x

And all the earth will shout Your praise.
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing,
"Great are You, Lord!"

Chorus 2x

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## **Prayer of the Church**

Responsive Psalm Psalm Psalm 18:19-29

- P Open to me the gates of righteousness,
- C that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.
- P This is the gate of the LORD;
- C the righteous shall enter through it.
- P I thank You that You have answered me
- C and have become my salvation.
- P The stone that the builders rejected
- C has become the cornerstone.
- P This is the Lord's doing;
- C it is marvelous in our eyes.
- P This is the day that the LORD has made;
- C let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- P Save us, we pray, O Lord!
- C O Lord, we pray, give us success!
- P Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!
- C We bless you from the house of the LORD.

- P The LORD is God, and He has made His light to shine upon us.
- C Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!
- P You are my God, and I will give thanks to You;
- C You are my God; I will extol You.
- P Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;
- C for His steadfast love endures forever!
- All Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

#### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

#### **Confession and Absolution**

P Lord Jesus, on this day when we remember Your entry into Jerusalem as King and Savior, we walk with You to Your cross, where Your righteousness is given to all who believe. Search our hearts and minds that we may receive Your Word, share in Your Spirit, and be renewed in our relationships with You and with one another.

(Silence for meditation and reflection.)

- P With humble hearts, let us pray together.
- C Lord Jesus, the Father's only Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords, hear us as we pray.
- P You reign over all things and yet humbled Yourself for our salvation.
- We confess that our rebellion against You in thought, word, and action is the reason why You entered into this world.
- P It is why You passed through the gates of Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and why You laid down Your life upon Calvary's cross on Good Friday—
- to forgive our sins, to redeem our lives, and to cancel the debt we owe to God.
- P With hearts that are humble and lives that are grateful, help us to receive Your grace and bow before You in worship,
- C confessing that You alone are Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.
- P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, shows His mercy to us in the sending of His only Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords. The One who entered into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday was handed over to death upon the cross so that we may be reconciled to the Father and granted His remission, full and free. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Because of our King's mercy, the gates of righteousness are opened to us.
- "This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes."

The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

The Words of Our Lord

Mark 14:22–24

#### Pax Domini - "Peace of the Lord"

John 20:19

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

## Agnus Dei - "Lamb of God"

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

John 1:29

#### **Distribution Songs**

"Lead Me to the Cross"

Savior I come, quiet my soul, Remember redemption's hill, Where Your blood was spilled, For my ransom.

Pre-Chorus

Ev'rything I once held dear, I count it all as loss.

Chorus

Lead me to the cross
Where Your love poured out.
Bring me to my knees,
Lord, I lay me down.
Rid me of myself, I belong to You.
Oh, lead me. Lead me to the cross.

You were as I, tempted and tried, human. The word became flesh, Bore my sin in death. Now You're risen.

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

Bridge

To Your heart. To Your heart. Lead me to Your heart. Lead me to Your heart.

Chorus (2x)

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"Jesus Messiah"

1 He became sin, who knew no sin; That we might become His righteousness; He humbled Himself, and carried the cross. Love so amazing, Love so amazing.

Chorus

Jesus, Messiah; Name above all names; Blessed Redeemer; Emmanuel. The Rescue for sinners, The Ransom from heaven; Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all. His body the bread, His blood the wine
 Broken and poured out, all for love.
 The whole earth trembled, and the veil was torn.
 Love so amazing, Love so amazing.

Chorus

Bridge

All our hope is in You, All our hope is in You; All the glory to You, God, The Light of the world.

Chorus

Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all. The Lord of all. The Lord of all.

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#### Dismissal

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ⊕ in peace.
- C Amen.

#### **Post-Communion Collect**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, we thank You for having fed us with the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, assuring us thereby that we are truly members of His Body, the Church. And we ask You to help us by Your Holy Spirit that we continue in this fellowship and do the good works You desire us to do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

C Amen.

#### **Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ⊕ give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

C Amen.

## **Closing Song**

"The Wonderful Cross"

- When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of Glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.
- See from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or, thorns compose so rich a crown?

Chorus O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross,
Bids me come and die and find That I may truly live.
O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross;
All who gather here by grace
Draw near and bless Your name.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an off'ring far too small. Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all. Chorus

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