

Palm Sunday

March 29th, 2026

"We are rooted in God's love, united in connecting people to Jesus"



Procession of the Palms

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "All Glory, Laud and Honor" (442)

Verse 1

All glory, laud and honor to you, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
You are the King of Israel and David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming, our King and blessed one.

Verse 2

All glory, laud and honor to You, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
The company of angels is praising you on high,
And we with all creation in chorus make reply.

Verses 3 -5 will be projected on the screens

Please remain standing for the entirety of the hymn

INVOCATION

P: We gather this morning in the name of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

C: Amen!

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

C: Hosanna to the Son of David!

CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION

P: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near to God in faith and repentance, confessing our sins. We confess together:

C: Heavenly Father, I confess all my sins to You, the sins that I know of and I acknowledge that there are others that are unknown to me. Your Word teaches that I will be held accountable for my sins. But, Your Word also teaches me about Jesus and that He is the Savior of the world. Lord, I ask that You forgive me of my sins, that my sins not stay with me. "God, have mercy on me, a sinner" (Luke 18.13b).

P: Friends of God, heaven rejoices when we acknowledge our sins for God desires to shower His mercy and love upon us. Know, therefore, that your sins, your known and unknown sins, are removed from you as far as the east is from the west (Psalm 103.12). The words I speak, I now

speak for God: You are forgiven of your sins! They are no longer with you!

C: Amen! Thanks be to God!

KYRIE PRAYER (SPOKEN)

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you!

P: Let us pray together:

C: 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, Amen!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:30)

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Our Old Testament reading for today is **Isaiah 50.4-9a**. In this passage, the Servant of the Lord shows His obedience, suffering, and vindication.

Our Epistle reading is **Philippians 2.3-11**. The Apostle Paul urges believers to walk in humility and love, just as Jesus did.

The Gospel for today is **Matthew 21.1-11**. As Jesus enters Jerusalem, the crowds welcome Him with palm branches and shouts of praise.

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

L: These are the Words of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH THE NICENE CREED (Screens)

SERMON HYMN: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" (443)

SERMON: Matthew 21.1-11

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Congregational response to each petition is: "**Hear our prayer**"*

AFFIRMATION OF HOPE

P: To You, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory,
in Your holy Church forever and ever. Amen!

**C (Loudly): CHRIST HAS COME! CHRIST IS RISEN!
CHRIST SHALL COME AGAIN!**

THE BENEDICTION

C (Loudly): Amen!

CLOSING SONG: "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty" (441)

Pastor: We have gathered this morning to worship the Lord, to be renewed and strengthened in God's love and the forgiveness of sins. As we go, let us remember who we are and what we do:

C: "We are rooted in God's love, united in connecting people to Jesus."

Pastor: You are dearly loved and treasured by God, planted and growing in God's love. As God's beloved children, go in peace! Love one another! Be a blessing! Share the faith! Serve the Lord with gladness!

C: Thanks be to God!

Join us for our Maundy Thursday service and Good Friday service as we commemorate Jesus' last days before His resurrection.

***Maundy Thursday, April 2nd at 7 p.m. with Holy Communion
Good Friday Tenebrae Service, April 3rd @ 7 p.m.***