

Palm Sunday

March 24 and 25, 2018

P = Pastor

C = Congregation

+ Please stand and face the cross at the rear of the church. +

THE PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL

John 12:12-19

P: ¹²The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out,

C: “Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!”

P: ¹⁴And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, ¹⁵“Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!”

¹⁶His 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. ¹⁷The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. ¹⁸The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. ¹⁹So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.” (ESV)

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

LSB 442

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Sing verses 1 - 4

THE INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

THE CONFESSION

P: The Lord is near to those who call on Him.

C: Oh, come, let us worship Him.

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

C: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

P: As we come before our King, we confess our sin and ask for His forgiveness.

C: King of kings and Lord of lords, You know our hearts and minds; You know that so often our thoughts, words, and acts and worship are not always pure and thus we sin against You. We confess also our sins against You and against our neighbors. Forgive us our sins and create in us clean hearts. Renew a right spirit within each of us. Do not cast us away from Your presence, but restore to us the joy of Your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit. Amen

THE ABSOLUTION

P: . . .

C: Amen

THE HYMN OF THE PASSION

LSB 442, v. 5

*All glory, laud, and honor to You, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
As You received their praises, accept the prayers we bring,
O Source of ev'ry blessing, our good and gracious King.*

THE 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

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹ 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.

¹⁰ 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.

¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹² Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double. (ESV)

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE CHORAL ANTHEM

Adult Choir

“Hosanna”

We're here to offer You our praise, to honor You with voices raised.

We lift Your name and hail You as Lord. We worship You in one accord.

Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is He! Hosanna! Hosanna! We crown You Lord of all!

If we are mute the stones will shout, so we, Your children, quickly cry out!

Yes, loudly now our praises we bring, with grateful hearts we joyfully sing!

Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is He! Hosanna! Hosanna! We crown You Lord of all!

You are worthy to be glorified; You reign forevermore.

Our Savior, our Prince of Peace, You open heaven's door!

Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is He!

Hosanna! Hosanna! We crown You Lord of all!

THE EPISTLE

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,

⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant,

being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. ([ESV](#))

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE HYMN OF THE DAY

LSB 444

"No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet"

THE SERMON

John 12:12-19

"God On a Donkey"

Pastor Myers

THE BAPTISM of Charlotte Denise Knoll

10:45 a.m.

Baptism Verse

*See this wonder in the making: God Himself this child is taking
As a lamb safe in His keeping, His to be, awake or sleeping.*

*Here we bring a child of nature; Home we take a newborn creature,
Now God's precious son or daughter, born again by Word and water.*

WE WORSHIP THE LORD WITH OUR OFFERINGS

Visitors and members please fill out the Attendance Card and pass it to the center aisle. The ushers will pick up the cards after they have brought forward the offering.

THE PRAYER HYMN

LSB 443

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 PRAYER FOR HOLY WEEK

P: Almighty and everlasting God, You willed that Your Son should bear for us the pains of the cross and so remove from us the power of the adversary. Help us so to remember and give thanks for our Lord's passion that we may receive forgiveness of sin and redemption from everlasting death; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

THE BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you . . .

C: ***Amen, Amen, Amen*** (Sung)

THE CLOSING HYMN

LSB 441

“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty”

THE SILENT PRAYER

THE POSTLUDE