

**April 10, 2022**

**WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

*\*You are invited to stand as you are able and willing.*

*"Exaltation and joy. Passover sacrifice and betrayal. Death and life. Such is the terrain of Holy Week. Such are the waters that sweep through the holy mystery of our faith—the waters that reveal the joy and the cost of discipleship.*

**Prelude**                      Seasonal Lenten Music

**Greetings and Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

*L: Our king has come riding on a donkey colt.*

*P:     **Hosanna in the highest!***

*L: Our savior has come to waving palms and cheers of praise.*

*P:     **Shout alleluia!***

*L: Jesus has come to show us the greatness of God's love.*

*P:     **Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.***

**\*Opening Hymn:**        "All Glory, Laud and Honor"                      UMH #280

**Opening Prayer (In unison)/Prayer of Confession**

*God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be with us in the joys and sorrows of life. We turn to you this day, knowing that we will not be put to shame. Be at our side when the crowd shouts "Hosanna!" as Jesus rode into Jerusalem. Be with us also when the crowd turns, as those who loved him fell away. This story is our story. Be with us in the telling, that we may walk with Jesus once more on the long journey of Holy Week.*

*Lord, by your grace help us, for trouble is never far away. You are our God, over very help in times of trouble. Let your face shine upon us and save us in your unfailing and steadfast love! Amen.*

**Prayers of the Christ's Church for Others and Ourselves**

*(Sharing Our Joys and Concerns)*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer (in unison)**

*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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen*

**Children's Time**                      "Jesus Loves Me"                      UMH#191

**WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD**

**Anthem**                      "Palm Branches"                      **by J. Faure**

**Old Testament Reading:** Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture:**                      Luke 19:28-40

**Message:**                      "Riding with the King"                      Pastor Fern Blair Hart

**WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD**

**Hymn:**                      "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"                      UMH # 278

**Prayer of Confession (unison)**

*For the times we have mocked rather than blessed, forgive us. For the moments we deny you and others, reclaim us. For the times we have forsaken bonds of friendship, renew us. When we are the ones being mistreated, bless us. When we are the ones being denied and betrayed, love us. Strengthen us to face the time of trial, O God, that we may remain faithful to you, faithful to one another, and faithful to your gospel of love. Amen.*

**+Exchange of Signs of the Peace of the Risen Christ  
Offering Ourselves & Our Gifts to the Glory of God**

**Offertory                  “Via Dolorosa”                  by Billy Sprague and Niles Boros**  
**vocal solo by Joanne Kant**

***Give thanks to God. The Lord is Good. God's steadfast love endures forever. Declare it with thanksgiving. God's steadfast love endures forever. The Lord is our salvation. God has become our deliverer. Give thanks to God. The Lord is good. God's steadfast love endures forever. Amen.***

**Sending Hymn:** *"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"* UMH # 297

***Postlude***                      ***“Worthy Is the Lamb”***                      ***Music by Pepper Choplin***

*Exodus 12:1-4, 5-10, 11-14; Psalm 116:1-4; I Corinthians 11:23-26;*

*\* The Lenten Book Study “Witness at the Cross” continues Tuesday April 12th at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom See Pastor Fern for details*

*\* Support For Ukraine Throughout Lent we will be collecting money for UMCOR International Disaster Response. Please write checks to Jesse Lee UMC with UMCOR in the memo line. Also, prayers for peace and healing are crucial at this time. - OUTREACH COMMITTEE*

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## *Palm Sunday*

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