



Palm Sunday

March 24, 2024

* *Please stand if you are able*

Prelude: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Staszecki

Gathering

WELCOME & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Acolyte: Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. For he didn't consider equality with God something to be grasped, but he emptied himself, even unto death on a cross. As we wait for the day of resurrection let us look to Jesus.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; His love endures forever. Let Israel say,

All: His love endures forever!

Liturgist: Let those who fear the Lord say:

All: His love endures forever!

Liturgist: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

All: His love endures forever!

Liturgist: The Lord is God, and has made his light shine upon us. With boughs in hand, we join in the festal procession. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;

All: His love endures forever!

Liturgist: You are our God, and we give you thanks! Open the gates of righteousness and I will enter and give thanks – for the Lord answered me and has become my salvation.

All: His love endures forever!

Psalm 118:1-2, 27-29 adapted

* **All Singing:** **146** **“All Glory Laud and Honor”**
Waving palm branches during refrain; Singing verses 1, 3, 4, and 5

* GOD’S GREETING

* GOD’S PEOPLE GREETING ONE ANOTHER

* **All Singing:** **578** **“Forever”**
Waving palm branches during refrain

Children ages 2–7 may come forward for a brief word and blessing before they leave for “God Loves Me” and “Children in Worship.”

CHILDREN’S BLESSING

Children: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Reconciliation

Liturgist: In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me.

All: **Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily. Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.**

Liturgist: You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for your name’s sake lead me and guide me; take me out of the net that is hidden for me, for you are my refuge.

All: **Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.**
Psalm 31:1-5

Silent Confession and Reflection

Liturgist: Christ Jesus, who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness.

All: **And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross.**

Liturgist: Therefore, God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess

All: **that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**
Philippians 2:5-11 adapted

* **All Singing:** **370** **“My Soul Finds Rest”**

Liturgist: Blessed be the Lord, for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me when I was beset as a city under siege. I had said in my alarm, “I am driven far from your sight.”

All: **But you heard my supplications when I cried out to you for help.**

Liturgist: Love the Lord, all you his saints. The Lord preserves the faithful but abundantly repays the one who acts haughtily. Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord.
Psalm 31:21-24

Proclamation

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All Singing: **“Open Our Eyes, Lord”**

**Open our eyes, Lord; we want to see Jesus,
to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.**

**Open our ears, Lord; and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord; we want to see Jesus.**

Scripture: John 12:1-11

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: A Resuscitation Dinner Party

*** All Singing: 157 “Meekness and Majesty”**

Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Liturgist: With joy, let us now offer our gifts, in music, heart, and resource, as a sign of
our deep devotion and covenant faithfulness

OFFERING

1. General Fund
2. St. Damian Food Pantry

OFFERTORY “O the Blood”

Mary Elizabeth & Thomas Miller

*** All Singing: 959 “Glory Be to the Father”**

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Sending

*** BENEDICTION**

*** All Singing: “We Will Glorify”**
Waving palm branches throughout

**We will glorify the King of Kings, we will glorify the Lamb;
We will glorify the Lord of Lords, who is the great I Am.**

**He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth, he is Lord of all who live;
He is Lord above the universe, all praise to him we give.**

Postlude: “Solemn Processional”

Boellmann

Worship Leaders

Organist / Pianist:
Pianist / Vocalist:
Vocalist:
Minister:

Lynn Hollender
Sarah Rinkenberger
Russ Hollender
Roger Nelson

Acolyte:
Liturgist:
Prayer:

Ari Varghese
Priscilla DuBois
Scott DuBois

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