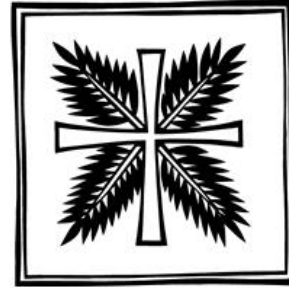


**Palm Sunday**  
**April 2, 2023**  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**In person and streamed on Zoom**



**Gathering**

*As you are able, please gather in the Pavilion in front of the church.*

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Processional Gospel**      Matthew 21:1-11

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

<sup>5</sup>“Tell the daughter of Zion,  
Look, your king is coming to you,  
humble, and mounted on a donkey,  
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

<sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; <sup>7</sup>they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

<sup>10</sup>When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” <sup>11</sup>The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

The gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Blessing of the People and Palms**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray: We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and King by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Let us go forth in peace,  
**in the name of Christ. Amen.**

### **Procession with Palms**

*As we walk we sing:*

**Jesus is coming  
Pave the way with branches  
Jesus is coming. Hosanna**

**Hosanna. Jesus is coming.  
Hosanna to the Prince of Peace**

*When all are in the sanctuary we say*  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**Hosanna in the highest.**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### **Opening Hymn**

*All Glory, Laud and Honor ~ ELW 344*

#### **Greeting and Prayer of the Day**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all

**And also with you**

God of honor and celebration, **together we cry, "Hosanna!" to your son, who rode willingly and bravely into Jerusalem. Hear us as we celebrate your anointed one, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**First Reading**      Philippians 2:5-11

**Psalm 31**

But I trust in you,\_\_\_ I say, 'You are my God.'\_\_\_

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My times are in your hand;\_\_\_ de-li - ver me from my

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Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress;  
my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and my body also.  
For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years are spent with sighing;  
and my strength, it fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away.  
I am the scorn of them all, and a horror to my friends,  
those who see me in the street, they flee from me, they've forgotten me.  
I've become a broken vessel.  
For I hear the whispering terror as they scheme together as they plot to take my life.

Refrain (2x)

My times are in your hand;  
deliver me from my enemies.

Refrain (2x)

**Gospel Reading**      John 19: 16b-22

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The Holy Gospel according to John  
**Glory to you O Lord**

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The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Sermon**                      Pastor Kate Schlechter

**Hymn Of the Day**              *Oh, Love, How Deep* ~ ELW 322 (vs. 1, 3-4, 7)

**Affirmation of Faith**

**We believe in a God who walks headfirst into the world's suffering,  
who lights a candle in the darkest night,  
who pulls back the curtain so we can see the stars.**

**We believe in a God who does not shy away from the truth,  
who is bold in seeking justice, and humble in taking power.**

**We believe in a God who sees our hurt and wraps love around it,  
cocooning us in hope, tethering us to one another.**

**We believe in a God who is always carrying us  
from the pain of the world into the hope of a new day.**

**That is where God is headed.  
That is where we follow.  
May it be so. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**

*Each petition ends with the words: Merciful God, **receive our prayer.***

**Sharing the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always

**And also with you**

*As you share a greeting of peace, some may wish to shake hands, bump elbows, or simply nod to one another with the greeting; please be sensitive to varying preferences as we share the peace of Christ in preparation for Holy Communion.*

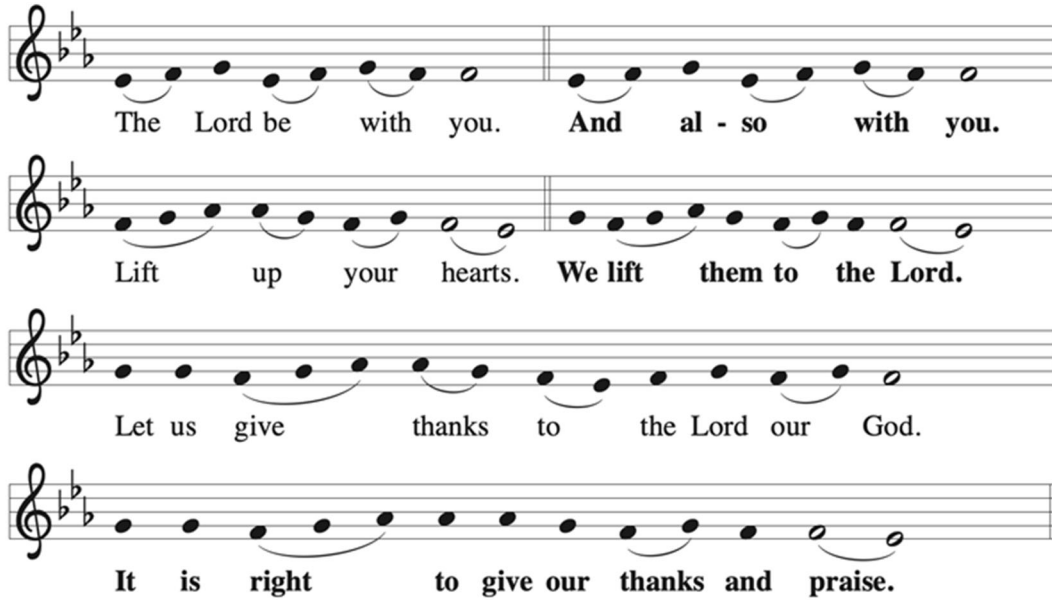
**Musical Offering**              *Hosanna, Sing Hosanna!* ~ Brad Green; arr. Lloyd Larson

**Offertory Hymn**              *Come to the Table* ~ ELW 481

### Offertory Prayer

God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. Amen.

### The Great Thanksgiving



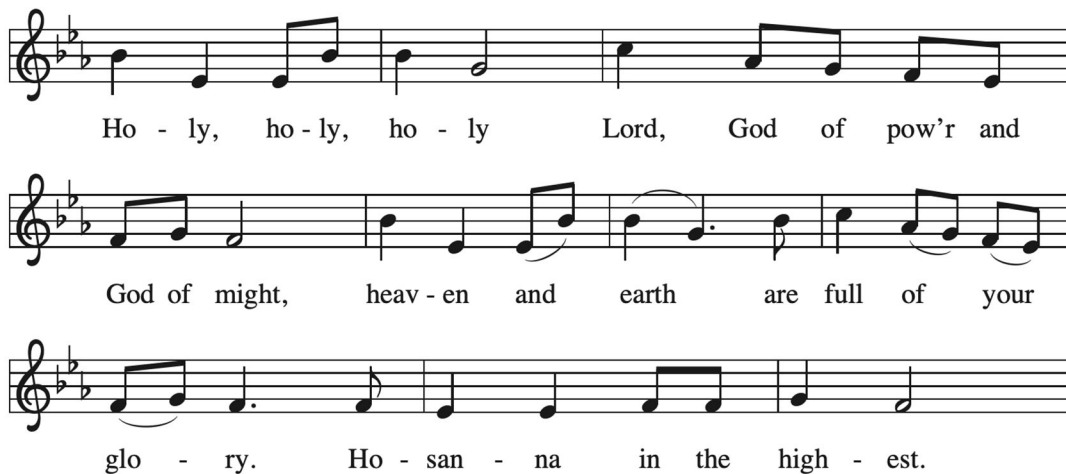
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

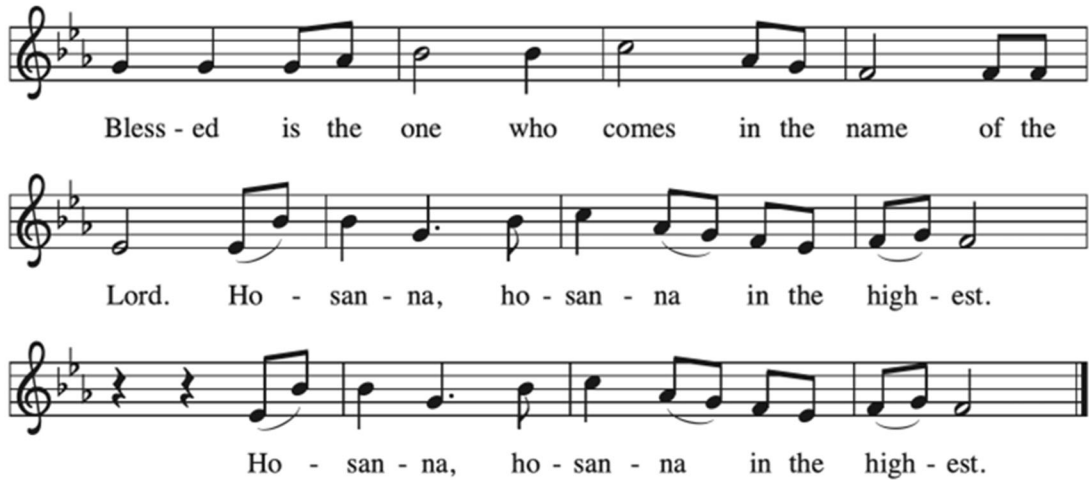
It is indeed right ... and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and

God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the  
 Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed are you, God of the universe . . .  
 in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray . . .



Our Fa-ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,  
 your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.  
 Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we  
 for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al  
 and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,  
 and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

## Holy Communion

You are beloved of God, and this meal is for you. Come forward to the altar rail and stand or kneel to receive communion. The bread is gluten-free and there is wine or grape juice. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, you may come forward and cross your arms over your chest.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## Communion Hymn

*My Song is Love Unknown ~ ELW 343*

## Blessing After Communion

### Prayer

Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love. **Amen.**

### Blessing

As you leave this place, may God bless you with seeking.  
Seek out the hungry. Seek the weary. Seek the good in every person you pass.  
Seek out the hopeful. Seek the faithful. Seek God in each of us.  
As you seek and as you wonder, may you find what you are looking for.  
In the name of our loving God, who is always seeking us, go now in peace. **Amen.**

**Sending Hymn**

*Go to Dark Gethsemane ~ ELW 347*

**Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve God  
**Thanks be to God**

**Postlude**

*Gethsemane ~ Kristina Langlois*

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