



Palm Sunday  
2021

"I long to dwell in your tent forever and take refuge in the shelter of your wings."

- Psalm 61:4

### **PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP**

**Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

### **WORSHIP NOTES**

WELCOME! We are pleased that you are here in God's house this morning to celebrate His persistent love for this dying world. We gather to hear about Jesus' majestic ride into Jerusalem and into our place of punishment. Through his humiliation (putting aside his heavenly power and glory), he lowered himself into our position: under the law and guilty of death. Our readings reflect the palms waved before our king as our meditation opens this holy week of worship with joy alongside grief. He came to carry our cross!

**GUESTS** Welcome to our Guests!

# A Celebration of Palms

**March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**OPENING SONG** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" (p. 7)

CW, #130:1-2

### **THE INVOCATION**

P: We worship God the Father who created us; we worship God the Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who saved us from our sins; we worship God the Holy Spirit who causes us to believe and to live our lives for Christ.

**C: Amen.**

**SONG** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" (p. 7) (Children only, up to age 14)

CW, #130:3

**THE ACCLAMATION** *On Palm Sunday a throng of people acclaimed Jesus as he entered Jerusalem on his way to the cross.*

P: Hosanna to the Son of David!

**C: Hosanna in the highest:**

P: Hosanna to him who by his willing sacrifice, canceled the guilt of all our offenses!

**C: Hosanna to the Son of David!**

P: Hosanna to him who ascended on high as king, leading captivity captive!

**C: Hosanna in the highest!**

## **THE CONFESSION AND PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS**

- P:** God's Word tells us: *If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.* Let us join in confessing our sins to God, confident of his grace and pardon:
- C:** **O almighty God, my Creator and Redeemer, I confess to you that I am sinful in my very nature, and that I have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I do repent and ask your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, who died for me and was raised again.**
- P:** God's Word tells us that Jesus Christ *was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.* Therefore, having heard your confession and on the basis of God's promise in Jesus, I assure you that your sins are all forgiven, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
- C:** **Amen.**
- P:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!

## **THE PRAYER**

- P:** Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us but to Your name be the glory
- C:** **because of Your love and faithfulness.**
- P:** We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ.
- C:** **As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN.**

## **THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Zechariah 9:9-10

*Believers are told to rejoice because their king and Savior is coming. He is almighty and will be victorious over his enemies even though he will come gently, riding on a donkey. Today is also Palm Sunday, recalling his entry as King.*

Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the war-horses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

- P:** Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me?
- C:** **Put your hope in God. For I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.**

**THE EPISTLE LESSON** Philippians 2:5-11

*Jesus, our Savior, is Lord of all. He did not display his glory while on this earth. Instead he became our humble substitute and died to save us. Now his Father has exalted him above all things, and one day he will be recognized as King of all by all people.*

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**SONG OF THE DAY** "All Glory, Laud and Honor"

(p. 8)

CW, #131

**THE SERMON**

Mark 11:1-11

"Hands of Praise (Disciples &amp; Crowds)"

**WE STATE WHAT WE BELIEVE**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From there 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 OFFERING**

*Online or in the entry to the gym. Guests please do not feel any obligation to participate in the offering (though you are always welcome to do so). Find and fill out a Guest Card as you leave, and drop it in with the offerings so we can connect with you – thanks!*

**SPECIAL PRAYERS & LORD’S PRAYER**

**WE PRAY**    (*Words of King David drawn from Psalm 57*) offered together

Have mercy on me, O God, have mercy on me, for in you my soul takes refuge. I will take refuge in the shadow of your wings until the disaster has passed. I cry out to God Most High, to God, who fulfills his purpose for me. He sends from heaven and saves me, rebuking those who hotly pursue me; God sends his love and his faithfulness. I am in the midst of lions; I lie among ravenous beasts – men whose teeth are spears and arrows, whose tongues are sharp swords.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth. I will praise you, O Lord, among the nations; for great is your love, reaching to the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies. Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen**

**WE LEAVE GOD’S HOUSE WITH HIS BLESSING**

- P: Send forth your light and your truth, let them guide me;  
**C: Let them bring me to the place where you dwell.**  
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**C: (*Sung*) Amen, Amen, Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

- P: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.



**Intro:** To which crowd do we belong? The manipulators of power who entered along with Pilate on the west side of Jerusalem, or the pilgrim populace who welcomed the true king with pure praise?

## **Hands of Praise (Disciples & Crowd)**

### **1. These hands are active in obedience not passive in the pew.**

- 1.1 The disciples do what they are told without question.
- 1.2 The world wants to design its own system of control & fame.
- 1.3 The gifts given to Jesus went way beyond a few material things.

**App:** This event follows Jesus' special anointing – one woman was listening and longing to honor him. Embedded inside the flow of events is an irony: one of his own would conspire to bribery and betrayal. She is embalming the body that Judas will deliver over to the enemy hands.

### **2. These hands are uplifted with the most natural response of faith.**

- 2.1 The kingdom of David spreads beyond the Jews.
- 2.2 The enthusiasm was spontaneous and sincere.
- 2.3 This word would go out beyond Jerusalem, to all in need.

**App:** There are only two groups of people watching Jesus enter on this day – those who praised and supported him; those who mocked and hated him.

**Conclusion:** He is the king who enters our hearts, not with force but with mutual respect. Once we have seen how he leads and rules by giving his life as a ransom, how can we do anything less than respond with uplifted hands.

## Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle chil - dren sang;  
 2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid an ex - ul - tant crowd,  
 3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,

Through pil - lared court and tem - ple The love - ly an - them rang.  
 The vic - tor palm branch way - ing And chant - ing clear and loud.  
 For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav'n, our King.

To Je - sus, who had blessed them, Close fold - ed to his breast,  
 The Lord of saints and an - gels Rode on in low - ly state  
 Oh, may we ev - er praise him With heart and life and voice

The chil - dren sang their prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.  
 Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on his bid - ding wait.  
 And in his roy - al pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

Text: Jeannette Threlfall, 1821-80, alt.

Tune: *Gesang-Buch . . . der Herzogl . . . Hofkapelle*, Württemberg, 1784, alt.ELLACOMBE  
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Alternate setting: 275

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## All Glory, Laud, and Honor

5 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re -

1 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re - deem - er,  
 2 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re - deem - er,  
 3 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re - deem - er,  
 4 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re - deem - er,  
 5 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To you, Re - deem - er,

deem - er, King, To whom the lips of chil - dren Made

King, To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho -  
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sweet ho - san - nas ring. As you re - ceived their prais -

san - nas ring. You are the King of Is - rael  
 san - nas ring. The com - pa - ny of an - gels  
 san - nas ring. The peo - ple of the He - brews  
 san - nas ring. To you be - fore your pas - sion  
 san - nas ring. As you re - ceived their prais - es,





es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring, O

And Da - vid's roy - al Son, Now in the  
Is prais - ing you on high, And we with  
With palms be - fore you went; Our praise and  
They sang their hymns of praise; To you, now  
Ac - cept the prayers we bring, O Source of

Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our gra - cious King.

Lord's name com - ing, Our King and bless - ed one.  
all cre - a - tion In cho - rus make re - ply.  
prayer and an - thems Be - fore you we pre - sent.  
high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.  
ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

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## O Savior, Precious Savior

1 O Sav - ior, pre - cious Sav - ior, Whom, yet un - seen, we love,  
 2 O Bring - er of sal - va - tion, Who won - drous - ly hast wrought,  
 3 In thee all full - ness dwell - eth, All grace and pow'r di - vine;  
 4 Oh, grant the con - sum - ma - tion Of this our song a - bove

O name of might and fa - vor, All oth - er names a - bove,  
 Thy - self the rev - e - la - tion Of love be - yond our thought,  
 The glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is thine.  
 In end - less ad - o - ra - tion And ev - er - last - ing love!

We wor - ship thee; we bless thee; To thee, O Christ, we sing;  
 We wor - ship thee; we bless thee; To thee, O Christ, we sing;  
 We wor - ship thee; we bless thee; To thee, O Christ, we sing;  
 Then shall we praise and bless thee Where per - fect prais - es ring

We praise thee and con - fess thee, Our ho - ly Lord and King.  
 We praise thee and con - fess thee, Our gra - cious Lord and King.  
 We praise thee and con - fess thee, Our glo - rious Lord and King.  
 And ev - er - more con - fess thee, Our Sav - ior and our King.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-79  
 Tune: Arthur H. Mann, 1850-1929

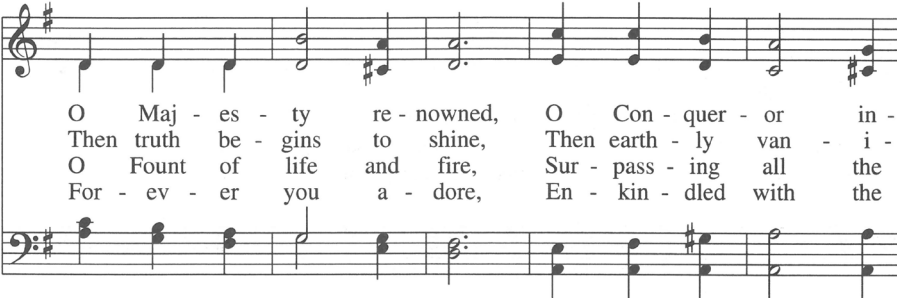
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# O Jesus, King Most Wonderful

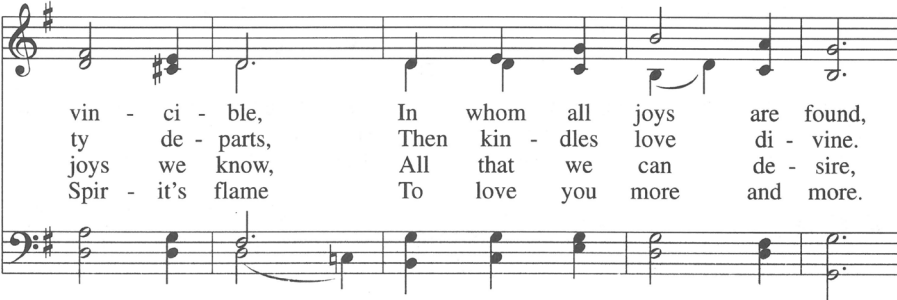
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1 O Je - sus, King most won - der - ful,  
 2 When once you vis - it dark - ened hearts,  
 3 O Je - sus, Light of all be - low,  
 4 May ev - 'ry heart con - fess your name,



O Maj - es - ty re - nowned, O Con - quer - or in -  
 Then truth be - gins to shine, Then earth - ly van - i -  
 O Fount of life and fire, Sur - pass - ing all the  
 For - ev - er you a - dore, En - kin - dled with the



vin - ci - ble, In whom all joys are found,  
 ty de - parts, Then kin - dles love di - vine.  
 joys we know, All that we can de - sire,  
 Spir - it's flame To love you more and more.

5 Oh, may our tongues forever bless  
 And honor you alone,  
 And may we in our lives express  
 The image of your own!

## THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

Sunday (3/28)	<b>8:00</b>	AM	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
	9:15	AM	Adult Bible Study
Thursday	<b>10:30</b>	AM	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
	<b>3:30</b>	PM	<b>Maundy Thursday Worship w/Comm.</b>
Friday	<b>7:00</b>	PM	<b>Maundy Thursday Worship w/Comm.</b>
	<b>1:00</b>	PM	<b>Good Friday Worship w/Communion</b>
Saturday	<b>7:00</b>	PM	<b>Good Friday Tenebrae w/Communion</b>
	7:00	AM	Men's Bible Study
Sunday (4/4)	<b>7:00</b>	AM	<b>Easter Sunrise Worship</b>
	<b>9:30</b>	AM	<b>Easter Festival Worship</b>

Our worship today is presented to the praise  
of our Great High Priest - Jesus.

Hosanna!

*LiveStream on our Youtube Channel at 10:30am every Sunday  
This service is also recorded for review after livestream.  
Link on our website (see below).*

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## THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVICE

**"THEY WELCOMED HIM  
WITH SONGS OF PRAISE"**  
Service Theme

**PASTOR:**  
Mark Wagner

**KEYBOARD:**  
Jon Hahm

**VIOLIN:**  
Alyssa Pautz

**VOCALIST:**  
Matt Berger

**HYMNS:** 130:1-2, 130:3,  
368:1, 131, 368:2, 373:1-  
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**FIRST LESSON:**  
Zechariah 9:9-10

**SECOND LESSON:**  
Philippians 2:5-11

**THE SERMON:**  
Mark 11:1-11

**"Hands of Praise  
(Disciples &  
Crowds)"**

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