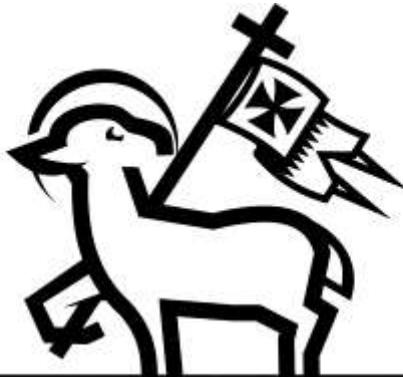


# PALM SUNDAY

March 25, 2018

## Worship Focus

**Jesus, the King of Righteousness and Peace**



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IS OUR GREAT HIGH PRIEST

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## PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION

*Remain seated*

**M** The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**M** Dear friends in Christ, for five weeks of Lent we have been preparing for the celebration of our Lord's suffering, death and resurrection. Today we come together to begin the solemn celebration of Holy Week. Christ entered in triumph into his own city to complete his work as our Messiah: to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us remember with devotion his entry that culminated at the empty tomb and follow him with a lively faith. United with him by baptism, we share in his resurrection and new life.

**M** Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C** **Hosanna in the highest!**

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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*Sanctus*





**M** Let us pray. God our Father, we remember how Jesus entered Jerusalem before his passion and was welcomed as king by those who shouted “Hosanna” and spread their clothing and palm branches in his path. Accept our words of praise and listen to our prayers as we rejoice in our triumphant King who came to save, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

**M** Let us go forth in peace:

**C** **In the name of the Lord.**

*The children process into the church during the singing of the hymn.  
 Congregation joins to sing vs. 1,2, and 4. Choir sings vs. 3  
 PLEASE STAND FOR THE FINAL VERSE.*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

Hosanna to the Noble King

*Words by Chris Anderson, Music by Alexander Reinagle*

**Hosanna to the noble King, Who rides down Olive’s Mound—  
 The blessed One, of David’s line, This joyful day is crowned.**

**Hosanna to the humble King, Who rides upon a foal.  
 Raise psalms and palms to honor Him With all your strength and soul.**

*Hosanna to the holy King; Sing out with joy and dread;  
 Join in the children’s Temple hymn Lest stones cry out instead.*

**“Hosanna to the coming King!” Shall rise from ev’ry shore—  
 To Olive’s Mound He shall return To reign forever more!**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M** Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. 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.

**C Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 9:9-10

See, your King comes to you

ZECHARIAH 9:9 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.

<sup>10</sup> 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.

**M** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 24

*Words: Bert Polman, 1986, © 1987 Faith Alive Christian Resources  
Music (VINEYARD HAVEN 6.6.8.6 with refrain): Richard Dirksen, 1974, © 1974, 1987 Harold Flammer,  
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***Choir sings the verses and first refrain.  
Congregation joins in singing the subsequent refrains.***

*Lift up your heads, O gates; the King of glory waits.  
Lift high, O ancient doors, obey; prepare the royal way.*



*Who is this glorious King whose praise the nations sing?  
The LORD, the Mighty, Holy One, whose strength the victory won.*

**Refrain**

*Lift up your heads, O gates; the King of glory waits.  
Lift high, O ancient doors, obey; prepare the royal way.*

**Refrain**

*Who is this glorious King whose praise the nations sing?  
The LORD Almighty is his name; his glorious might proclaim:*

**Refrain**

**SECOND LESSON**

Philippians 2:5-11

Jesus humbled himself, yet is exalted as Lord of all

PHILIPPIANS 2:5 Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

- <sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature God,  
did not consider equality with God  
something to be grasped,  
<sup>7</sup> but made himself nothing,  
taking the very nature of a servant,  
being made in human likeness.  
<sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man,  
he humbled himself  
and became obedient to death—  
even death on a cross!  
<sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him to the highest place  
and gave him the name that is above every name,  
<sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
<sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**M** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

*Sung by the choir.*

Bruce R. Backer

The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

*Stand for the Gospel*

**GOSPEL LESSON**

Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem

Mark 11:1-10

MARK 11:1 As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, <sup>2</sup> saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>3</sup> If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' tell him, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'"

<sup>4</sup> They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, <sup>5</sup> some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" <sup>6</sup> They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. <sup>7</sup> When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. <sup>8</sup> Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. <sup>9</sup> Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted,

"Hosanna!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

<sup>10</sup> "Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!"

"Hosanna in the highest!"

<sup>11</sup> And Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and into the temple: and when he had looked round about upon all things, and now the eventide was come, he went out unto Bethany with the twelve.

**M** The Gospel of the Lord!

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

HYMN

370 – All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name



All 1 All hail the pow’r of Je - sus’ name! Let an - gels  
 Women 2 Hail him, ye heirs of Da - vid’s line, Whom Da - vid  
 Choir 3 Sin - ners whose love can ne’er for - get The worm - wood  
 Men 4 Let ev - ’ry kin - dred, ev - ’ry tribe On this ter -  
 All 5 Oh, that with yon - der sa - cred throng We at his



pros - trate fall; Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And  
 Lord did call, The God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, And  
 and the gall, Go, spread your tro - phies at his feet And  
 res - trial ball To him all maj - es - ty as - cribe And  
 feet may fall! We’ll join the ev - er - last - ing song And



crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the roy - al  
 crown him Lord of all. The God in - car - nate,  
 crown him Lord of all. Go, spread your tro - phies  
 crown him Lord of all. To him all maj - es -  
 crown him Lord of all. We’ll join the ev - er -



di - a - dem And crown him Lord of all.  
 Man di - vine, And crown him Lord of all.  
 at his feet And crown him Lord of all.  
 ty as - cribe And crown him Lord of all.  
 last - ing song And crown him Lord of all.

Text: Edward Perronet, 1726–92, st. 1-3, abr., alt.; *A Selection of Hymns*, London, 1787, st. 4-5, alt.  
 Tune: CORONATION (86 86 86) Oliver Holden, 1765–1844.

SERMON

Hebrews 7

**The King is also a Priest!**

## CREED

Apostles' Creed

**C 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.**

## FRIENDSHIP REGISTER and GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

## MUSICAL OFFERTORY



## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**M** Lord Jesus, you are the King of heaven and earth. We join the first Palm Sunday worshipers in praising and glorifying you for coming to this earth to be our Savior. Though you are one with God the Father and Lord of all, you humbled yourself and became one with us. Thanks be to you for living a life of perfect conformity to God's holy law in our place.

**C** **Praise be to you for being obedient to death, even death on a cross, to redeem us from sin.**

**M** Cause our voices to blend with those who sang your praises as you rode into Jerusalem. Move us to confess you before others as our Lord. Help us proclaim the message of peace and forgiveness to people of all nations. Use us to assure all people that your blood has cleansed them from sin and set them free from slavery to sin, death, and the devil.

**C** **Move us to dedicate all we are and have to your glory.**

**M** Lord Jesus, you are King over all the earth. Bless the nations of this world with wise rulers and good government. Let peace prevail. Grant success to the businesses and industries of our land to serve for the common good. Cause all employers to be honest and fair-minded and all employees to be diligent and faithful. Look with favor on our nation's schools. Be with those who teach and those who learn.

**C** **Comfort the sick and the afflicted with the assurance of your care and protection. Strengthen the faith of the dying.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

**M** Dear Savior, as we walk with you this Holy Week toward Calvary, keep us focused on your purpose for coming into this world and on our calling to spread this wonderful message of salvation. Hear us for your mercy's sake, as we join to pray:

## LORD'S PRAYER

**C** 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.

## BLESSING

**M** Brothers and sisters, go in peace.  
Live in harmony with one another.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



# Benediction

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# CLOSING HYMN

133 – Ride On, Ride On in Majesty



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the  
2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly  
3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The an - gel  
4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Your last and  
5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur -  
pomp ride on to die. O Christ, your tri - umphs  
ar - mies of the sky Look down with sad and  
fierc - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on his  
pomp ride on to die. Bow your meek head to



sue your road, With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.  
now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.  
won - d'ring eyes To see th' ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.  
sap - phire throne A - waits his own a - noint - ed Son,  
mor - tal pain, Then take, O Christ, your power and reign.

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791–1868, alt.

Tune: WINCHESTER NEW (LM) *Musicalisch Hand-Buch der Geistlichen Melodien*, Hamburg, 1690, alt.

*After worship, please feel free to stay and greet your neighbors.*

# Holy Week Schedule



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Dates and themes for Holy Week services are as follows:

<u>Wednesday/Festival (Date)</u>	<u>Worship Theme</u>
<b>Palm Sunday</b> (March 25) Saturday 6 pm Sunday 8 and 11 am	Jesus Is Our Priest After the Order of Melchizedek
<b>Maundy Thursday</b> (March 29)  Thursday 7 pm Communion Service	Jesus Our Great High Priest Is Mediator of the New Covenant
<b>Good Friday</b> (March 30)  Noon until 3:00 Meditation every 25 minutes	Tre Ore Worship at Atonement Lutheran Church A Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross
<b>Good Friday</b> (March 30)  Friday at 7 pm	Jesus Our Great High Priest Is Better Than Any Other High Priest
<b>Easter Sunday</b> (April 1) Saturday 6 pm Sunrise Service, Sunday 6:30 am Easter Breakfast, Sunday 7:30 – 8:30 am Easter Festival Worship, Sunday 8:30 and 11 am	Jesus Is Our Eternal High Priest