

Palm Sunday

*Calvary Lutheran Church
In the Heart of Lake Highlands – Dallas, TX*

The Palm Sunday Procession with Palms serves as a special beginning of Holy Week, the celebration of Jesus' *pascha*, that is, his passion and resurrection. In many churches Palm Sunday has been renamed Passion Sunday. However, the Procession of Palms retains the emphasis of Palm Sunday on the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem.

Liturgically the Palm Sunday procession can be traced back to the fourth century. Enjoying widespread freedom for the first time in centuries, the faithful in Jerusalem re-enacted the solemn entry of Christ into their city on the Sunday before Easter. They held a procession in which they carried branches and sang the "Hosanna", which means "Save us, please!" (Matthew 21:1-11).

In early medieval versions of the Procession of Palms both clergy and laity would walk with palms from a church outside the city walls to the cathedral or main church inside the walls. As the procession approached the city gate, a boys' choir stationed high above the doorway of the church would greet the Lord with the Latin song "Gloria, laus et honor." This hymn (All Glory, Laud, and Honor) was written by the Benedictine Theodolph, Bishop of Orleans (821).

In later years the celebration was restricted to a procession around the church. This morning the Procession of Palms will be celebrated by congregation and children, as the children process into the church and then sing "Lo, He Comes". After the opening Procession liturgy the service continues with Common Service.

God bless your worship.



Order of Service for

SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT: PALM SUNDAY

Order of Service

The Common Service

✠ Gathering ✠

OPENING HYMN (*Procession of Palms*)
Sung by the Calvary Kids

Lo, He Comes

Lo, he comes! Sing we "Hosanna!" Lo, he comes, let us sing to the Lord!

*Enter his gates with shouts of thanksgiving, into his courts with songs of praise.
Come, let us march in glad procession. Loud hosannas now we raise.*

Lo, he comes! Sing we "Hosanna!" Lo, he comes, let us sing to the Lord!

*Open your heart and welcome the Savior. Join with the song that has no end.
This is the day for which we have waited; the coming of our Lord is surely at hand.*

*Lo, he comes! Sing we "Hosanna!" Lo, he comes, let us sing to the Lord!
Lo, he comes, let us sing to the, sing to the Lord!*

STAND

INVOCATION and PRAYER

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

And also with you.

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.

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

Hosanna in the highest!

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. **Amen.**

Let us go forth in peace:

In the name of the Lord.

RESPONSE

(Come, O Precious Ransom, Come, stanzas 3,4; Tune: 466)

**My hosannas and my palms
Graciously receive, I pray you.
Evermore, as best I can,
Savior, I will homage pay you,
And in faith I will embrace,
Lord, your merit through your grace.**

**Hail, hosanna, David's Son!
Help, Lord; hear our supplication!
Let your kingdom, scepter, crown
Bring us blessing and salvation
That forever we may sing,
Hail, hosanna! to our King.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

Beloved in the Lord: Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me a sinner.

LORD HAVE MERCY *(Kyrie)*

Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The notes are simple, mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some rests.

THE ABSOLUTION

God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

A - men.

The image shows a single staff of musical notation in G major. It contains a short melodic phrase consisting of a quarter note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a quarter note C, and a quarter note D, ending with a double bar line.

In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord:

SONG OF PRAISE

Let All Things Now Living (507)

1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 His law he en - forc - es; the stars in their cours - es and
God the Cre - a - tor tri - um-phant-ly raise, who fash - ioned and
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient-ly shine. The hills and the
made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who still guides us
moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the deeps of the

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major. The first staff contains the melody for the first two lines of lyrics. The second staff contains the melody for the next two lines. The third staff contains the melody for the final two lines. The notes are more complex, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and some rests.

on to the end of our days. God's ban - ners are o'er us; his
o - cean pro - claim him di - vine. We, too, should be voic - ing our
light goes be - fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the
love and re - joic - ing. With glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us
night, till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is
raise till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks -
ban - ished, as for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
giv - ing: "To God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.

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.



A - men.

BE SEATED

✠ The Word ✠

FIRST READING

Isaiah 42:1-4

Isaiah foretold the coming Servant of the Lord whose ministry would be one of great power and great humility.

ISAIAH 42:1 “Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen one in whom I delight;

I will put my Spirit on him,
and he will bring justice to the nations.

²He will not shout or cry out,
or raise his voice in the streets.

³A bruised reed he will not break,
and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out.

In faithfulness he will bring forth justice;

⁴he will not falter or be discouraged
till he establishes justice on earth.

In his teaching the islands will put their hope.”

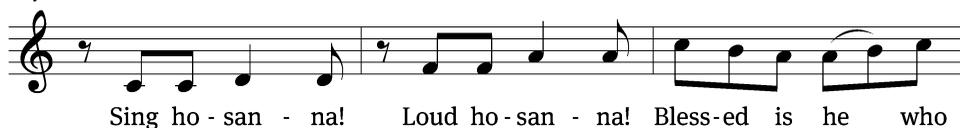
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 24

Refrain



Tone



The earth is the Lord's, and every | thing in it,
the world, and all who | live in it;
for he founded it up | on the seas
and established it upon the | waters.

Who may ascend the hill | of the Lord?
Who may stand in his | holy place?
He who has clean hands and a | pure heart,
he will receive blessing from God his | Savior.

Refrain

Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you | ancient doors,
that the King of glory | may come in.
Who is this King of | glory?
The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in | battle.

Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you | ancient doors,
that the King of glory | may come in.
Who is he, this King of | glory?
The Lord Almighty—he is the King of | glory.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son
and to the Holy | Spirit,
as it was in the be | ginning,
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Refrain

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

Paul describes the humility of Jesus and encourages us to emulate it.

PHILIPPIANS 2:5 In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

⁶Who, being in very nature God,
did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

⁷rather, he made himself nothing
by taking the very nature of a servant,
being made in human likeness.

⁸And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself
by becoming obedient to death—
even death on a cross!

⁹Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord.

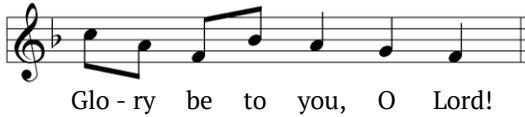
Thanks be to God.

**Hosanna in the highest strains
The Church on earth shall raise;
The highest heav'ns, in which he reigns,
Shall give him nobler praise.**

STAND

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the announcement of the Gospel the congregation responds:



GOSPEL READING

Luke 19:28-40

Through the humility exhibited by his choice to enter Jerusalem on a donkey, Jesus would accomplish great things.

LUKE 19:28 After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. 29 As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 30 “Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. 31 If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ say, ‘The Lord needs it.’ ”

32 Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. 33 As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?”

34 They replied, “The Lord needs it.”

35 They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. 36 As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.

37 When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

38 “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!”

“Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”

39 Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!”

40 “I tell you,” he replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the reading of the Gospel the congregation responds:



CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

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.

BE SEATED



[Palm Sunday – 9]

HYMN OF THE DAY

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty (411)



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 pow'r and reign.

✠ Sermon ✠

Philippians 2:5-11

Real Humility Isn't Weak

Sermon notes:

STAND

[Palm Sunday – 10]

✘ Praise and Prayer ✘

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a-
way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

BE SEATED

ANNOUNCEMENTS and MUSICAL OFFERING

We appreciate the offerings given to support the work of
God's Kingdom here and throughout the world.

Offerings can be given in any of four ways:

- Set in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary
- On the Calvary website: <https://calvarydallas.org/give/>
- On your phone with the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app
- Scan the QR code to the right...



Give us a record of your visit through our online Connection Card,
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Card tab can be found at the bottom right of any page of the Calvary website,
<https://calvarydallas.org> or by scanning the code to the left...

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Merciful Lord, You established Your Church through the blood of Christ and sent forth Your people to serve the world in Your name. Bless Your Church with pure doctrine, with zeal for Your Kingdom and with faithfulness, that we may not waver from the truth of Your Word nor fail to welcome the stranger in Your name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Merciful Lord, You have raised up faithful leaders for Your Church, and we appeal to You to continue to provide pastors and church workers. Prosper the work of those who bring the light of Christ to those living in darkness, both near and far. Bless those whose acts of mercy extend Your love to the disabled, wounded and forgotten throughout the world, that Your Church may serve You in faithful service as well as faithful witness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Merciful Lord, all things come from You and return to You. Give Your people leaders who will act with integrity and serve honorably. Bless our president; governor; mayor; and all who make, administer and judge our laws. Protect service men and women in their duty for freedom, and bless all emergency workers, police and firefighters in their service to us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Merciful Lord, You know the sufferings of Your people and the needs of all who cry to You. Grant to us what is good and needful for us, and lead us to trust in Your mercy so that we may neither despair in our need nor grow weary of the burdens of this mortal life. Hear us on behalf of [_____ and] all whom we name before You in our hearts; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Merciful Lord, grant to us every aid and blessing of Your Holy Spirit, that we who have cried out “Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord” may welcome Him who fulfills His promise with His presence in the Word and sacrament. Sustain us through the Holy Week of our Lord’s journey to the cross, and lead us to trust in His promise to raise us up with Him on the Last Day; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Merciful Lord, accept the gifts we bring, born of a grateful heart and brought as part of the living sacrifice of our very selves. Bring us and all people to repentance and faith, especially our enemies, and bring us to acknowledge You with one heart and mind. Lead us to live faithfully and generously, loving You above all things and our neighbor as ourselves; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Merciful Lord, grant us all things needful to us and beneficial to our faith, and help us pray with confidence through the merits and in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.

SERMON HYMN

No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet (414)



1 No tramp of sol - diers' march - ing feet
 2 And yet he comes. The chil - dren cheer;
 3 What fad - ing flow'rs his road a - dorn;
 4 Now he who bore for mor - tals' sake



with ban - ners and with drums, no sound of mu - sic's
 with palms his path is strown. With ev - 'ry step the
 the palms, how soon laid down! No bloom or leaf but
 the cross and all its pains and chose a ser - vant's



mar - tial beat: "The King of glo - ry comes!"
 cross draws near: the King of glo - ry's throne.
 on - ly thorn the King of glo - ry's crown.
 form to take, the King of glo - ry reigns.



To greet what pomp of king - ly pride
 A - stride a colt he pass - es by
 The sol - diers mock, the rab - ble cries,
 Ho - san - na to the Sav - ior's name



no bells in tri - umph ring, no cit - y gates swing
 as loud ho - san - nas ring, or else the ver - y
 the streets with tu - mult ring, as Pi - late to the
 till heav - en's raft - ers ring, and all the ran - somed



o - pen wide: "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 stones would cry "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 mob re - plies, "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 host pro - claim "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"



watch with him one bit - ter hour. Turn not from his
oh, the pangs his soul sus-tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,
God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete. "It is fin - ished!"
Who has tak - en him a - way? Christ is ris'n! He



griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
pain, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

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



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Lo He Comes

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Hymn 507 – Let All Things Now Living

Text: Katherine K. Davis, 1892-1980; Tune: Welsh; setting: *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978
Scripture references: Ps 148; 150:6; Ps 139:9-14; Ps 136:1-9
Text: ©1939, ren. 1966 E.C. Shirmer Music Company; Tune: public domain; setting: ©1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress

Psalm 24F

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Hymn 411 – Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791-1868, alt.
Tune: *Musicalisch Hand-Buch der Geistlichen Melodien*, Hamburg, 1690, alt; setting: William H. Monk, 1823-1889, alt.
Scripture references: Jn 12:12-15; Zec 9:9; Text and music: public domain

Hymn 414 – No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith, b. 1926; Tune: English; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958
Scripture references: Mt 21:1-9; Lk 19:39,40; Jn 19:14-19
Text: © 1984 Hope Publishing Company; Tune: public domain

Hymn 425 – Go to Dark Gethsemane

Text: James Montgomery, 1771-1854, alt.; Tune: Richard Redhead, 1820-1901; setting: *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978
Scripture references: Mt 26:36-46; Mk 14:53-65; 15:2-5; Lk 23:26-49; Jn 19:30; 20:10-18
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