

Order of Worship for Palm Sunday  
April 5, 2020

Opening Bells and lighting of the candles

Opening Hymn – All Glory, Laud, and Honor (LSB #442)

**Refrain: All glory, laud and honor to You Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.**

You are the King of Israel and David's royal Son,  
Now in the Lord's name coming, our King and Blessed One.

**Refrain**

The company of angels is praising You on high,  
And we will all creation in chorus make reply.

**Refrain**

The multitude of pilgrims with palms before you went;  
Our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present.

**Refrain**

To You before Your passion they sang their hymns of praise;  
To You, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

**Refrain**

As You received their praises, accept the prayers we bring,  
O Source of ev'ry blessing, our good and gracious King.

**Refrain**

Invocation:

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## Confession and Absolution

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**All: I a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto you all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended you and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray you of your boundless mercy for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

## Absolution

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## Collect of the Day for Palm Sunday:

Pastor: Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**All: Amen**

## Readings for Palm Sunday

Old Testament – Isaiah 50:4-9

Epistle – Philippians 2:5-11

Gospel – John 12:12-19

Gospel Reading (sermon text) – John 12:12-19

<sup>12</sup> The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup> So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!” <sup>14</sup> And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

<sup>15</sup> “Fear not, daughter of Zion;  
behold, your king is coming,  
sitting on a donkey's colt!”

<sup>16</sup> His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. <sup>17</sup> The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. <sup>18</sup> The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. <sup>19</sup> So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord  
**All: Thanks be to God**

### **The Apostles' Creed (Spoken together)**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence 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**

Sermon : “Our King’s Unusual Reign”

## Prayer of the Church

*After each petition:*

Pastor: Lord in your mercy,

**All: Hear our prayer.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**(Spoken together)

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive  
those who trespass against us;  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the  
glory forever and ever. Amen.**

### Benediction

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**All: Amen**

### Closing Hymn: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" (LSB # 443)

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;  
Through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang  
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close to His folded breast,  
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,  
The victor palm branch waving and chanting clear and loud.  
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state  
Nor scorned the little children should on His bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” that ancient song we sing;  
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heav’n our King.  
Oh, may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice  
And in His blissful presence eternally rejoice!