

Service of Worship
Palm, Passion & Confirmation Sunday
April 14, 2019 10:15 AM

*Please rise as able

-- Ready for the Word --

Prelude by Glyncannon

“The Lord Reigneth!”

The Light of God Enters

*ProceSSIONAL Hymn Hymnal No. 196

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship – *sung by the Congregation* Hymnal No. 267

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

Leader: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

People: Hosanna in the highest!

Call to Confession

Trusting in God’s grace, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession

O God, whose arrival in Jerusalem was welcomed with a show of palms and shouts of praise: We confess that we too make a joyful noise at your coming but turn our backs on discipleship when the going gets rough. We want to serve you with our lips, but not with our lives. We say we will follow you wherever you go, but, when others look askance, we follow the crowd. God, forgive us our timid and faltering faith. Help us to praise you with our lips and our lives...

We Offer Our Own Confessions in Silence

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Christ has set us free! Our lives are given back to us in hope.

People: Blessed is the One who comes in the name the Lord!

Choral Response by Miller and Caldara

“Donkey” ♦ “Sing Hosanna”

Donkey plodding to Jerusalem, donkey, in your coat of brown. Donkey who would ever think that you could carry Jesus into the town? “Hosanna,” the people say, “Hosanna,” palm branches sway. Donkey, you today carry a king. Sing hosanna, praises bring; Sing hosanna to the King!...

Amen, amen, amen, praises sing!

*Passing of the Peace

-- Receiving the Word --

Children’s Sermon

*Hymn Hymnal No. 197

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson (page 565) Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

New Testament Lesson (page 83) Luke 19:28-40

Reflection **“Joyful Expectation”**

Please read this week the Passion Story in Luke (Luke 22:14 – 23:56)

-- Responding to the Word --

Profession of Faith † Confirmation Insert

Musical Offering arranged by Pethel

“Praise and Exaltation”

All Glory, Laud, and Honor ♦ He Is Exalted

All glory, laud, and honor, to Thee Redeemer, King...

He is exalted, the King is exalted, I will praise Him.

He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise His name!

He is the Lord. Forever His truth shall reign.

Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name.

To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise...

Let us exalt Him King!

Prayers of the People

Lord’s Prayer (*debts/debtors*) Hymnal Pg. 35

Offertory arranged by Eithun

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

*Doxology Hymnal No. 606

*Prayer of Dedication

Loving God, we offer our gifts to you. Here is the hope of our hearts, the excitement of our dreams, the way of our faith, the gift of our lives. We offer all that we are to you and all that we hope to be. Amen.

*Hymn

Insert

“The Palms”

*Blessing

Leader: Let us go into this holy week to walk the way of Christ.

People: **May the strength of God go with us in each of our days.**

Leader: May the love of Christ enfold us in all of our ways.

People: **May the Holy Spirit guide us every hour until the New Day dawns.**

All: **Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord! Amen.**

*Choral Benediction

by Martin

“Whisper of the Palms”

Wave the palms slowly, lay the palms boldly.

Honor the King with a jubilant psalm.

Wave the palms slowly, lay the palms boldly.

Bring forth the branches of worship and praise.

Listen to the whisper of the palms.

*The Light of God Goes with Us into the World

*Postlude

by Broughton

“The Road to Calvary”

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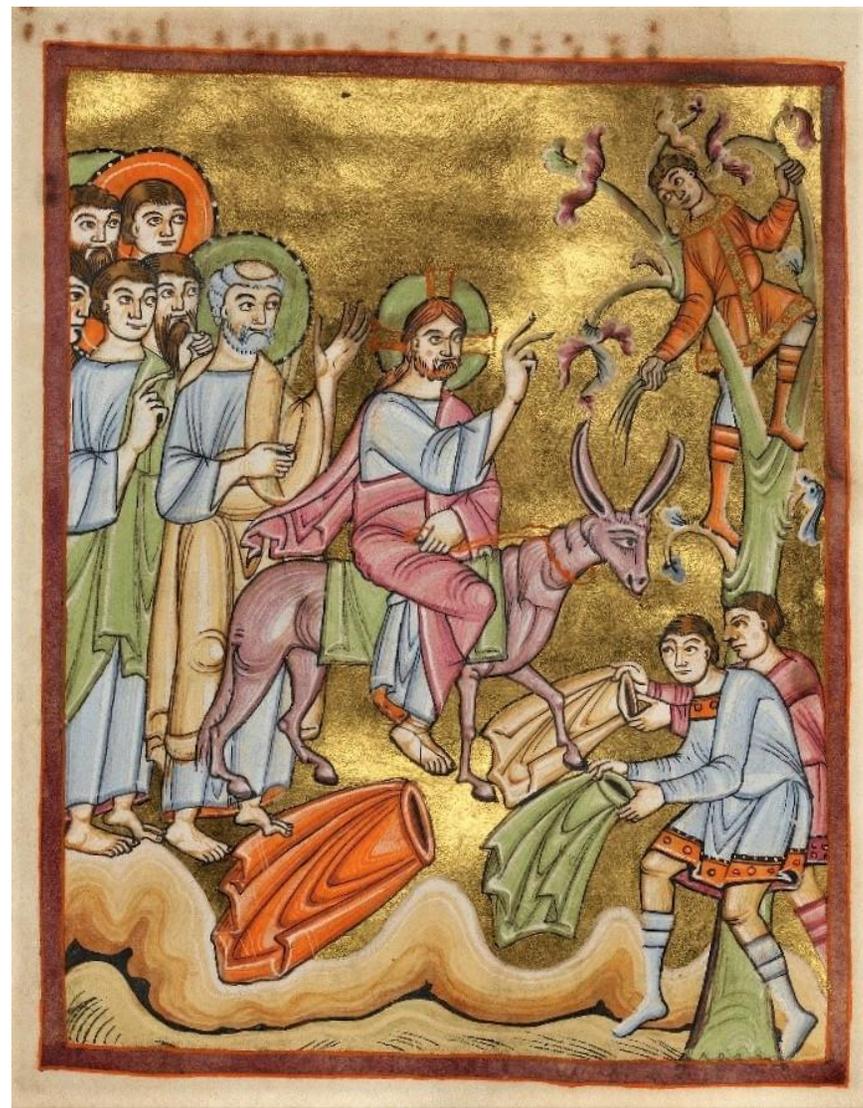
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Participants in today’s service: Confirmation Class (worship leaders), Beth Christian (Elder), Foster & Adelay Cooney (acolytes), Bell Choir (processional hymn and offertory), Cherub and Junior Choirs (choral response), Eric Deeter (children’s sermon), Senior Choir (musical offering and benediction), , Kathy Zakarian & Jen Henning (Deacons), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Sally Dries (reflection). Next week’s reflection by Rev. Steve Cureton: “Oh, Good News.”



The Entry into Jerusalem

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