

Palm Sunday

SATURDAY, MARCH 27. 2021

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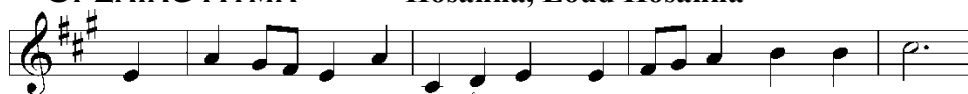
CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH, CONOVER, NC

PRELUDE

We stand.

OPENING HYMN

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”



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 wav - 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 earth and heav - en 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 bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

OPENING VERSES

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C Amen.

P This is the day that the LORD has made;

C let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

C Hosanna to the Son of David.

P Open to me the gates of righteousness,

C that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

P I thank You that You have answered me

C and have become my salvation.

P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

C Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C and also with you.

P Let us pray.

C 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. Amen.

We sit.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation is he,

humble and mounted on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall speak peace to the nations;

his rule shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so 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.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

We stand.

GOSPEL CANTICLE “All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Refrain

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re-deem - er, King,". The second staff continues: "To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring." The third staff begins with a rest for one measure, then continues: "1 You are the King of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son, 5 As You re-ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,". The fourth staff begins with a rest for one measure, then continues: "Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One. O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King." The word "Refrain" is written above the final measure of the fourth staff.

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re-deem - er, King,
To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.
1 You are the King of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son,
5 As You re-ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,
Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.
O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATIONS

John 12:20-43

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 12th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

“Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. So the crowd answered him, “We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?” So Jesus said to them, “The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light.”

When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Lord, who has believed what he heard from us,
and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?”

Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said,

“He has blinded their eyes
and hardened their heart,
lest they see with their eyes,
and understand with their heart, and turn,
and I would heal them.”

Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him. Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

℘ This is the Gospel of the Lord.

℥ Praise to You, O Christ.

We sit.

SERMON HYMN “No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet” 444

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
The 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 raf - ters 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!"

SERMON “My Mind Is Made Up” Pastor Michael Geml
We stand.

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**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P Beloved in the Lord, it is our intention to receive the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, in which He strengthens our faith by giving us His body to eat and His blood to drink. Believing this, let us confess our sins to God, imploring Him for the sake of His Son Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C Almighty God, merciful Father, 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 and 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.

P Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for us and, for His sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son T and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. By His triumphant entry into Jerusalem, He reached the goal of His substitutionary death, that by the offering of His own body and blood on the cross, all who believe in Him may share His triumph over sin and death.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

C Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

We sit.

DISTRIBUTION

We stand.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, for the gift of forgiveness won by Your Son's offering on the cross and for the strengthening of our souls and bodies by His body and blood.

Go with us now, and keep us steadfast in Your Word through the blessed days of this great and Holy Week and to our eternal life with Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

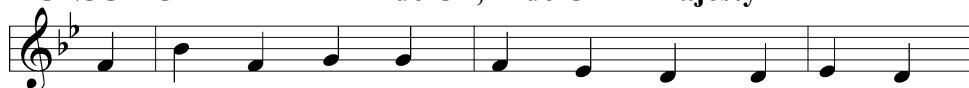
P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and **T** give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN “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!	Thy 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, Thy 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 Thy meek head to



sue Thy 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 the ap - proach - ing	sac - ri - fice.
sap - phire throne	A - waits His	own a - noint - ed Son.
mor - tal pain,	Then take, O	God, Thy pow'r and reign.

POSTLUDE