

PALM SUNDAY

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Prayer Before Worship: Lord fill our homes with your praise. For us and for our salvation the King of Glory willingly humbled himself and went to the cross to take away our sin. Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Amen.

Opening Hymn: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" CW # 130

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Text: Jeanette Threlfall, 1821-80, alt.

Tune: ELLACOMBE (76 76 D) Gesang-Buch . . . der Herzogl . . . Hofkapelle, Württemberg, 1784, alt.

SERVICE OF THE WORD - CW page 38

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: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you 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

THE WORD

First Lesson - Zechariah 9:9-10

The Coming of Zion's King

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. ¹⁰ 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.

Psalm of the Day - Psalm 24

(Christian Worship, p. 73)

Refrain:

Let the Lord enter; he is the King of glory.

The earth is the LORD'S, and everything in it,* the world, and all who live in it;

for he founded it upon 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 <u>pu</u>re heart,* **he will receive blessing from God his <u>Sa</u>vior.**

Refrain Let the Lord enter; he is the King of glory

Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you <u>an</u>cient doors,* **that the King of glory** <u>may</u> **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 <u>an</u>cient doors,* **that the King of glory** <u>may come in.</u>

Who is he, this King of <u>glo</u>ry?* **The LORD Almighty-he is the King of <u>glory</u>.**

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spirit</u>, as it was in the beg<u>i</u>nning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain:

Let the Lord enter; he is the King of glory

Second Lesson - Philippians 2:5-11

⁵ Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: ⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, ⁷ but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross! ⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Verse of the Day: (spoken by all)
The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. (John 12:23)

Gospel - Matthew 21:1-11

The Triumphal Entry

21 As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, tell him that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away."

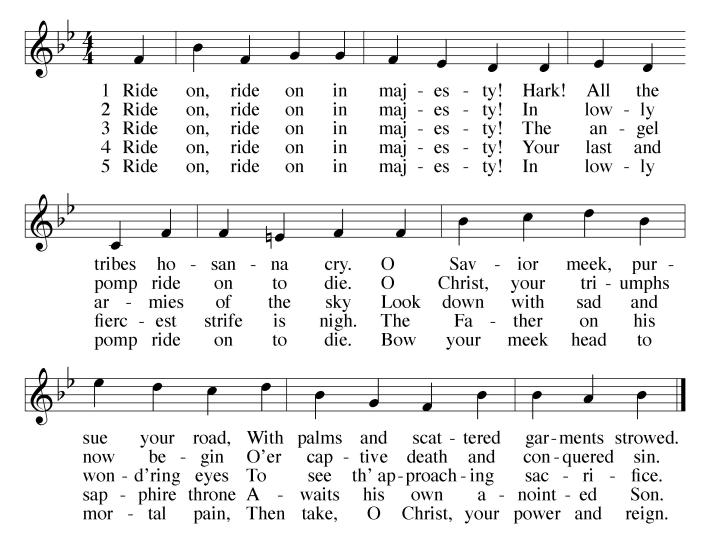
⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: ⁵ "Say to the Daughter of Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt, placed their cloaks on them, and Jesus sat on them. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest!"

¹⁰ When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" ¹¹ The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

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Ride On, Ride On in Majesty



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

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

Sermon Text: Psalm 24

Lift up your heads. Your King comes with salvation. He comes to cleanse and forgive. He is the LORD Almighty!

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.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

The Sixth Sunday in Lent - Palm Sunday

O God, heavenly Father, into your presence we come with thanksgiving and joy. In this holy hour we praise you for sending Jesus Christ, your Son, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame. Grant that as we look to him in faith we may by his example be neither weary in well-doing, nor faint in heart; but rather remind us that just as we partake of his suffering in this life, so also will we partake of his victorious resurrection in the life to come.

O Lord, grant to your Church strength in purpose in your holy service that she may seek with willing hearts the building of your kingdom. Put the song of salvation on our lips and clothe us with the garments of praise that with joy we may declare: "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest."

We pray for all who are in sickness, pain, anxiety, fear of death or sorrow. Be with them when they pass through the waters of trouble. Let them trust in you for you will deliver them.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

Now unto you, O God, who are able to keep us from falling and to present us faultless before the presence of your glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God, our Savior, be glory and honor, dominion and power, both now and forever. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C:** Amen.

THE 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.

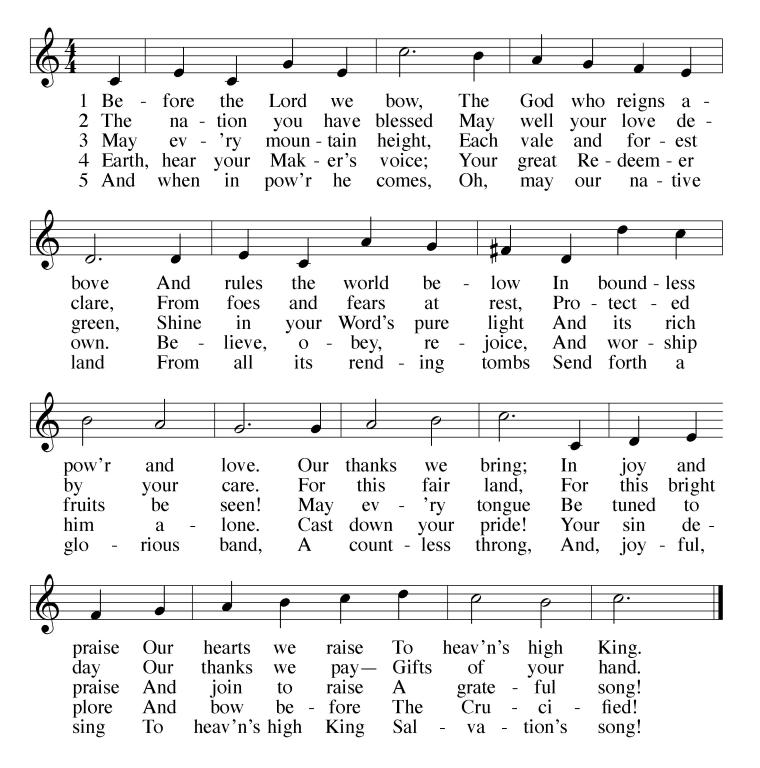
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen

Closing Hymn: "Before the Lord We Bow" CW # 618

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Text: Francis Scott Key, 1779–1843, alt.

Tune: DARWALL'S 148TH (66 66 4444) John Darwall, 1731–89.

