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# PALM SUNDAY

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March 28, 2021 | 9:30 & 10:15 AM



CONNECTING FAITH,  
FRIENDSHIP, FAMILY

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# Liturgy of the Palms

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To mark Jesus' triumphal entry into the holy city of Jerusalem, we gather for worship this morning outside the Sanctuary. Chairs are provided for those who are unable to stand. Everyone is invited to receive a palm branch for the procession.

## GREETING

Grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.  
And also with you.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Iona Community

Jesus is coming— **Shout hosanna!**  
He's riding a donkey— **Shout hosanna!**  
Open the gates— **Shout hosanna!**  
Open the ancient doors— **Shout hosanna!**  
Don't be afraid— **Shout hosanna!**  
Wave the branches— **Shout hosanna!**  
Spread out your coats— **Shout hosanna!**  
Peace in heaven— **Shout hosanna!**  
Glory to God in the highest— **Shout hosanna!**

## SONG

Children's Chorus  
Cathy Townley

*Hosanna! Hosanna!*

During the song, *One Great Hour of Sharing* offering boxes may be brought forward to the basket on the south patio.

## PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

Mark 11:1–11

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

## BLESSING OF THE PALMS

## PROCESSION

After the procession around the block, the service will continue online at 10:15 AM, with the Liturgy of the Passion.

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# Liturgy of the Passion

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## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

David Schack

### HYMN 196

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

*Refrain:*

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,  
who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One.

*Refrain*

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;  
our praise and prayers and anthems before thee we present.

*Refrain*

To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;  
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

*Refrain*

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,  
who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King!

*Refrain*

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God,  
as we enter this Holy Week,  
strengthen us to move beyond the festive parade of palms  
and to follow Jesus in the way of the cross,  
that united with him and all the faithful,  
we may one day enter through the gates of righteousness

into the eternal city, the New Jerusalem,  
where we may praise you with Christ  
and the Holy Spirit forever. Amen.

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

Randi McNally

## **MUSICAL OFFERING**

Chancel Choir

*Sing Hosanna! Blessed Is He!* Tom Fettke and Thomas Grassi

Sing Hosanna! Blessed is He that comes!  
Sing Hosanna! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang.  
Through pillars court and temple, the lovely anthem rang  
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to His breast.  
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.  
Hosanna in the highest that ancient song we sing  
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King!  
O may we ever praise Him, with heart and life and voice;  
And in His blissful presence, eternally rejoice!  
Sing hosanna! Blessed is He that comes!  
Hosanna to the King of Kings!

## **WORD**

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Isaiah 50:4–9a

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

### **GOSPEL READING**

Mark 14:32–36

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

### **SERMON**

Wallace W. Bubar

*Setting His Face Toward Jerusalem*

## **ANTHEM**

*Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow*

Chancel Choir

Dana Mengel

Sweet the moment, rich in blessing,  
Which before the cross we spend;  
Life and health and peace possessing  
From the sinner's dying Friend.  
Here we rest in wonder, viewing  
All our sins on Jesus laid;  
Here we see redemption flowing  
From the sacrifice he made.  
Here we find the dawn of heaven,  
While upon the Cross we gaze;  
See our trespasses forgiven  
And our songs of triumph raise.  
Lord, in ceaseless contemplation  
Fix our hearts and eyes on thee,  
Till we taste thy full salvation,  
And unveiled, thy glories see.

## **RESPONSE**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Lord, we look to you:  
Hear our prayer.

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

debts/debtors

# SENDING

## HYMN 197

ELLACOMBE

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;  
through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his 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 that little children should on his bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,  
for Christ is our Redeemer; the Lord of heaven, our King.  
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,  
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor* (1. Maestoso) Michael Burkhardt

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# About Today's Service

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## Assisting in worship today:

*Liturgists:* Lily Mead (Palms), Kevin Klimowski (Passion)

*Crucifer:* John Lowe (Palms)

*Organist:* Lois Harms

*Music Director:* Rich Dewein

*Special Music:* Children's Chorus (Palms), Chancel Choir (Passion)

*Audio:* Ben Patzlaff

*Video:* Matt Van Winkle

*Editing/Graphics:* Kim Coulter

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We strive to be a Christian congregation dedicated to a strong tradition of worship, committed to spiritual inquiry and growth, caring for one another and bearing witness to God's love in the world.



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