

Sunday, March 28, 2021 at 8:45 A.M. Palm/ Passion Sunday The Promise to Save

## PRELUDE

Hosanna

Walt Horn

Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!

## **GATHERING**

## ACCLAMATION

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. **Hosanna in the highest.** 



# PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL – Mark 11:1-2, 6-11

The holy gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples <sup>2</sup>and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. <sup>6</sup>They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. <sup>7</sup>Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. <sup>8</sup>Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. <sup>9</sup>Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

<sup>10</sup>Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

<sup>11</sup>Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

## **BLESSING OF PALMS**

Let us pray.... We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 



## ACCLAMATION

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. **Hosanna in the highest.** 

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

As we now enter into the contemplation of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ and meditate on the salvation of the world through his sufferings, death, burial, and resurrection, let us pray together:

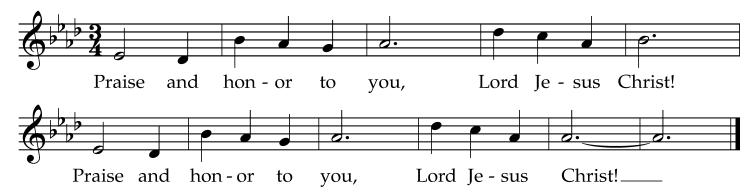
O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the passion of your Son you offer your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross of Christ, and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### **WORD**

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

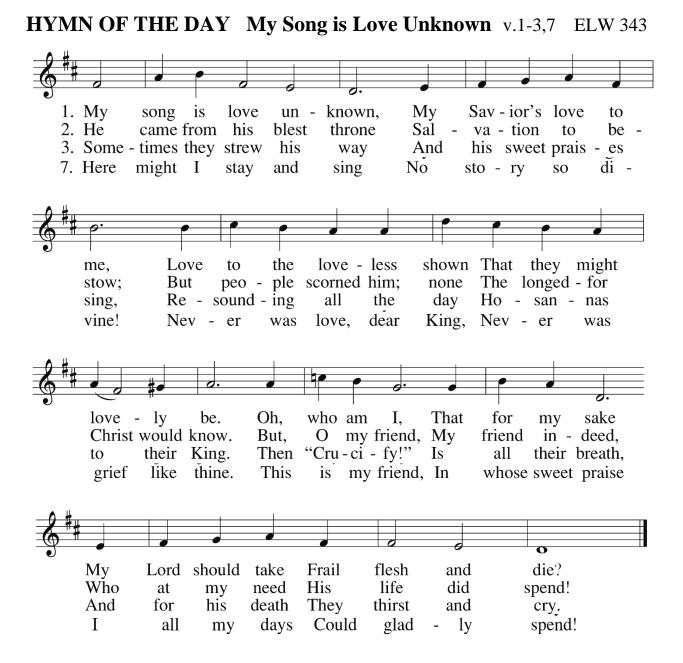
## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

The congregation sings the refrain. The cantor sings the verse, and the congregation repeats the refrain



Verse: Christ humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name. (Phil. 2:8-9)

## **GOSPEL – Reading of the Passion: Mark 14 – Mark 15:47**



### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

#### A brief silence.

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

### **MEAL**

We practice two sacraments in the Lutheran tradition: baptism and holy communion. These are celebrated in community, in public worship, where we can all participate and remember together: God is known for using ordinary earthly things (like water, bread, and wine) to make extraordinary promises (like forgiveness, salvation, healing and new life) to creation.

Today is a good reminder that this simple meal nourishes God's community across time and space. We would rather be with you in person for the sacrament today, but we trust Jesus to show up beyond our limitations, to meet us in this separation with a Spirit that unites, to feed us with the bread of life who is our source and strength.

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### 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.

We don't serve ourselves communion because there's something holy about that promise coming from outside our own bodies, a perfect declaration from God spoken to us by our neighbor: This is the body of Christ, given for you. This is the blood of Christ, poured out for you.

If you are gathered together with others from your household, speak these words aloud when you serve each other. If you do not have someone in the room with you while you receive the sacrament, hear my voice as the external word of grace and invitation.

### + + Receive the Meal + +

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

We pause for prayer and reflection, as families commune one another. If you would like to lift prayers up so that others might pray, too, please do so in the comments section during our livestream worship.

### **SENDING**

### **OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

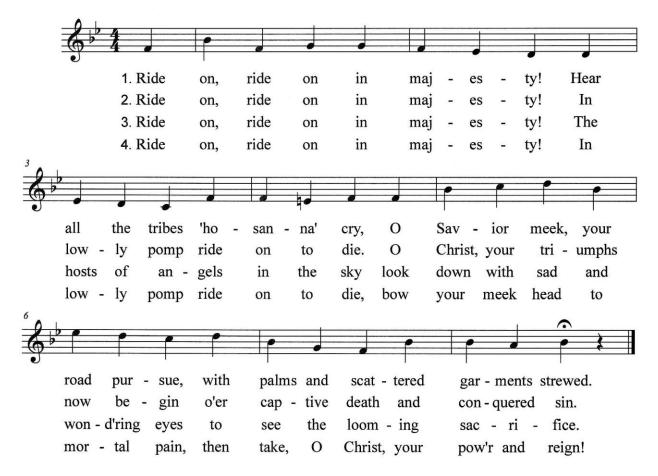
### **BENEDICTION**

You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor.

God bless you + that you may be a blessing,

in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity. Amen.

## SENDING HYMN Ride On, Ride On in Majesty ELW 346



### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Dwell in God's promises. **Thanks be to God.** 

### POSTLUDE

Piece Heroique

**Cesar Franck** 

Join us on Facebook for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services at 7pm. See you next week for worship at 8:45am & 10:45am on Resurrection Day – Easter Sunday!

Plus... Celebrate Easter (April 4<sup>th</sup>) at 10:00am on the church lawn!!



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