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Sixth Sunday of Lent | March 24th, 2024

Palm Sunday

\*Please stand as you are able

**Welcome and Announcements**

Trinity Chimes

**Prelude** *Processional* Christopher Tambling

\*Call to Worship

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

**All: Hosanna! Rejoice for the Lord is in our midst.**

One: Christ comes with joy and hope.

**All: Hosanna! In you, O God, all things are possible, glory, Amen!**

\*Hymn of Praise 278 *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

ELLACOMBE

1. Hosanna, loud hosanna,  
the little children sang,  
through pillared 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.  
  
2. 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.  
  
3. "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!

**Opening Prayer**

**With great joy we welcome the Lord! You come into our hearts and lives, humbly, patiently, encouraging us to learn and grow, to embark on journeys of hope and healing. Open our hearts today as we sing your praise, open our hearts this week as we remember that beyond our songs and rejoicing is the cross and tomb, and open our hearts to the mystery that is life beyond death. Amen.**

**Responsive Scripture Reading** Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

his steadfast love endures forever!

**Let all say, “His steadfast love endures forever.”**

Open to me the gates of righteousness,

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

**This is the gate of the Lord;**

**the righteous shall enter through it.**

I thank you that you have answered me

and have become my salvation.

**The stone that the builders rejected**

**has become the chief cornerstone.**

This is the Lord’s doing;

It is marvelous in our eyes.

**This is the day that the Lord has made;**

**let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!

O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!

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

**We bless you from the house of the Lord.**

The Lord is God,

And he has given us light.

**Bind the festal procession with branches,**

**up to the horns of the altar.**

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

You are my God; I will extol you.

**O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,**

**For his steadfast love endures forever.**

Music of Preparation *All Glory Laud and Honor* from No Greater Sacrifice Cantata

by Larry Shackley

The Chancel Choir

Gospel Lesson Mark 11:1-11, 22-24

Sermon Hosanna from the heart

Music of Response

Prayers of the People

Confession and Pardon

**Transforming God, we confess that we get caught up in the processes of the world. We are surprised when you arrive amidst the chaos asking to borrow our resources, our hearts, and our lives for the healing of all. We confess that listening and responding are hard and that the love you ask of us is often more than we wish to give. And even so, you love us, you give us all we need and restore us to wholeness. Forgive us for our fear, our anxiety, and our lack of response, free us to respond as Christ calls upon us, Amen.**

Pastor:  Hear the Good News, Christ is among us renewing us for life with love.  In the name of Christ, you are forgiven!

**People: In the name of Christ you are forgiven!**

**All: Glory to God, Amen.**

The 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, the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

\*Passing of the Peace

Invitation to Offering

Offertory *The Palms* Faure/Bock

Kathy Ferguson, piano;

Janet Tolman, organ

\*Doxology *A Lenten Doxology* OLD 100th

Praise God throughout these forty days.

Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.

And praise the Spirit who imparts

God’s love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.

\*Offertory Prayer

\*Sending Hymn *Who Is He*

HYMN TO JOY

1. Who is he who comes in triumph? Who is he who Comes o die, comes in peace and comes in power, hidden One now lifted high? Jesus, Jesus, Lord Messiah, mighty Master of the grave! See him ride, the King of glory! God himself has come to save!

2. See him there in humble splendor. Hear them shouting All around. Joy explodes in wild procession. Praise is Now the victor’s crown. “Glory, glory in the highest!”Like the angels hear them sing, dancing around the Long a waited once their hope, and now their King.

3. Rise and join the glad procession! Hear them passing By again all the ransomed, all his children, marching to

Jerusalem! Look ahead the gates of splendor!

Hear the every lasting hymn! Open wide your

Hearts in worship! Let the King of glory in!

Benediction 666 *Shalom to You*

SOMOS DEL SENOR

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.

May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.

In all your living and through your loving,

Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

Postlude *Toccata* Eugene Gigout

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“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

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“Who is He”

Words: Ken Bible

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