

Palm Sunday

April 5, 2020, 8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

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Note: The order of worship for the evening service begins on page 7 of this document.

PREPARATION FOR MORNING WORSHIP

Today is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. On this day, we celebrate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, fulfilling Zechariah's prophecy of the coming King who would bring salvation and peace. Yet as we rejoice and celebrate in our homes, it is important that we capture the irony of the original Palm Sunday.

This is the moment Israel eagerly waited for, expecting a mighty military ruler, not a humble King riding a lowly donkey. This is the day on which Jesus entered the city in triumph, but as a part of His journey to the cross. This is the week in which the crowd's cries of "Hosanna" would soon turn to "Crucify Him!" This is the beginning of the climax of God's redemptive plan to save the world, not by conquering the world, but by dying for it.

Let us prepare our hearts for worship by contemplating the glory of King Jesus.

He is the One who purposefully rode toward the cross.

He is the One who saves those who hated Him.

He is the One who gave us life by offering up His.



THE KING OF GLORY COMES

PRELUDE: "Be Still, My Soul" Mack Wilberg

Samuel Metzger, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Gerry Peak

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CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN OF PRAISE: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor".....ST. THEODULPH

Words: Theodulph of Orleans; tr. John Mason Neale / Music: Melchior Teschner / John 12:13

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re-deem - er, King,

Fine

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!

1. Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing thee on high,
3. The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
4. To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
5. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

to Refrain

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One!
and mor - tal men and all things cre - at - ed make re - ply.
our prayer and praise and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

INVOCATION

STATEMENT OF FAITHWestminster Shorter Catechism Q. 45-48

What is the first commandment?

The first commandment is: *You shall have no other gods before me.*

What does the first commandment require?

The first commandment requires us to know and recognize God as the only true God and our God, and to worship and glorify Him accordingly.

What does the first commandment forbid?

The first commandment forbids denying God or not worshipping and glorifying Him as the true God and our God. It also forbids giving worship and glory, which He alone deserves, to anyone or anything else.

What are we specifically taught in the first commandment by the words *before me*?

The words *before me* in the first commandment teach us that God, who sees everything, notices and is very offended by the sin of having any other god.

These questions will be the topic of the sermon this evening.

DOXOLOGYOLD HUNDREDTH

Words: Thomas Ken / Psalm 150

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be-low;

praise him, a-bove ye heav'n-ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

THE KING OF GRACE PARDONS

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy Father, long ago the crowds, with incessant hallelujahs, greeted Your dearly loved Son, but how quickly they mocked as He went lonely to the cross. Forgive us for the ways that we, too, have welcomed Him only in words and resisted His kingship. Subdue our restless and rebellious hearts so that we might serve You faithfully through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is the King of Glory.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON selected verses from Zechariah 9

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... On that day the Lord their God will save them, as the flock of his people; for like the jewels of a crown they shall shine on his land.

THE KING OF HEAVEN LEADS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

A WORD TO THE CHILDRENPeggy Stephens

HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" ELLACOMBE

Words: Jennette Threlfall / Text: Wittenburg Gesangbuch / Matthew 21:8-9

1. Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
2. From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed a - mong the joy - ful 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, with sing - 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,
O 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.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Exodus 15:1-21

The grass withers, the flower fades,

but the Word of our God will stand forever. (*Isaiah 40:8*)

SERMON: Thank You, GodGeorge Robertson

I. Attributes (*Exodus 15:1-15*)

II. Vengeance (*Exodus 15:6-12, 16*)

III. Redemption (*Exodus 15:13-17*)

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

HYMN OF COMMITMENT: "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!".....TRURO

Words: George Weissel / Music: Thomas Williams / Psalm 24:7

Musical score for the hymn "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!". The score is written in 3/2 time and consists of three systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are: "Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates! Behold, the King of glory waits; the King of kings is drawing near, the Savior of the world is here." The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Toccata on Amazing Grace".....Christopher Pardini

Sunday Night Worship

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CALL TO WORSHIP

YOU ARE GOOD

Lord, You are good, and Your mercy endureth forever.

People from every nation and tongue, from generation to generation:

We worship You, hallelujah, hallelujah! We worship You for who You are.

We worship You, hallelujah, hallelujah! We worship You for who You are, You are good!

You are good, all the time. All the time, You are good.

Words and Music: Israel Houghton; arr. Dan Galbraith

MIGHTY TO SAVE

Everyone needs compassion, a love that's never failing, let mercy fall on me.

Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior, the hope of nations.

Savior, He can move the mountains.

My God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save.

Forever, Author of salvation, He rose and conquered the grave,

Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as you find me, all my fears and failures, fill my life again.

I give my life to follow, everything I believe in, now I surrender.

Shine your light and let the whole world see,

We're singing for the glory of the risen king: Jesus.

Words: Bend Fielding / Music: Reuben Morgan; arr. Galbraith / Zephaniah 3:17

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READING..... Exodus 20:3

The grass withers, the flower fades,

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SERMON: Who's First? Dan Burns

Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions 45–48

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Sermon Outline

I. What stands before God?

II. What does it mean to stand before God?

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

*It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul);
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed His own blood for my soul.




My sin, O the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, "Even so," it is well with my soul.

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