



***Palm Sunday***

***March 28, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.***

***ALL ARE WELCOME AT BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH!***

*... a community growing Deeper in faith and Wider in love. Ephesians 3:16-17*

# **GATHERING**

## **ORGAN PRELUDE**

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna!*  
*Setting by John Carter*  
*Sue Correll, Organ*

## **GATHERING SONG**

*Hosanna! (Praise is Rising)*

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You; we turn to You.  
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You; we long for You.

'Cause when we see You we find strength to face the day;  
In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away.

Hosanna, hosanna, you are the God who saves us, worthy of all our praises;  
Hosanna, hosanna, come have Your way among us; we welcome You here Lord Jesus.

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You; we turn to You.  
In Your Kingdom broken lives are made new; you make us new.

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Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna!

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## **WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS & INVOCATION**

### **\*CELEBRATION WITH PALMS**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**Hosanna to the Son of David.**

## \*JESUS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM

Mark 11: 1-11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he 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>3</sup> If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" <sup>4</sup> They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, <sup>5</sup> some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" <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!"

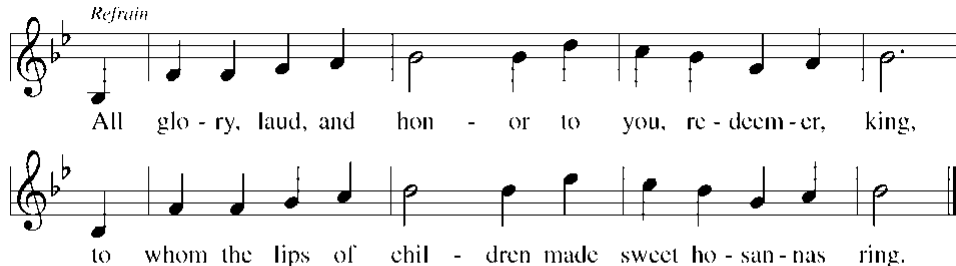
<sup>11</sup> Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

## \* PROCESSION OF PALMS

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor (ELW #344)*

*In an act of devotion, you are invited to raise your palm branch high while singing in celebration of our Lord's entry into Jerusalem.*


*Refrain*



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,  
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,  
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing you on high;  
3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went.  
4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.  
5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*Refrain*



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.  
ere - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.  
Our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.  
To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise,  
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## WORD

### FIRST READING

*Isaiah 50: 4-9*

#### ***The Servant's Humiliation and Vindication***

<sup>4</sup> The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. <sup>5</sup> The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. <sup>6</sup> I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

<sup>7</sup> The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; <sup>8</sup> he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. <sup>9</sup> It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

This Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND READING

*Philippians 2: 5-11*

<sup>5</sup> Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, <sup>8</sup> he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

<sup>9</sup> Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*Pastor Dave Young*

He became sin, who knew no sin; that we might become His righteousness;  
He humbled Himself, and carried the cross. Love so amazing, love so amazing.

**Chorus**

**Jesus Messiah; Name above all names; Blessed Redeemer; Emmanuel.  
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven; Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.**

His body the bread, His blood the wine broken and poured out, all for love.  
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn. Love so amazing, love so amazing. **(Chorus)**

**Bridge**

All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You;  
All the glory to You, God, the Light of the world. **(Chorus)**

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**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**\*SHARING OF CHRIST’S PEACE**

*We share the peace of Christ with an embrace or handshake using the words, “Peace be with you.”*

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**OFFERING AND SPECIAL MUSIC**

*Mercy (O Sacred Head)  
Arr. Heather Sorenson  
Darline DeMott, Soloist*



## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

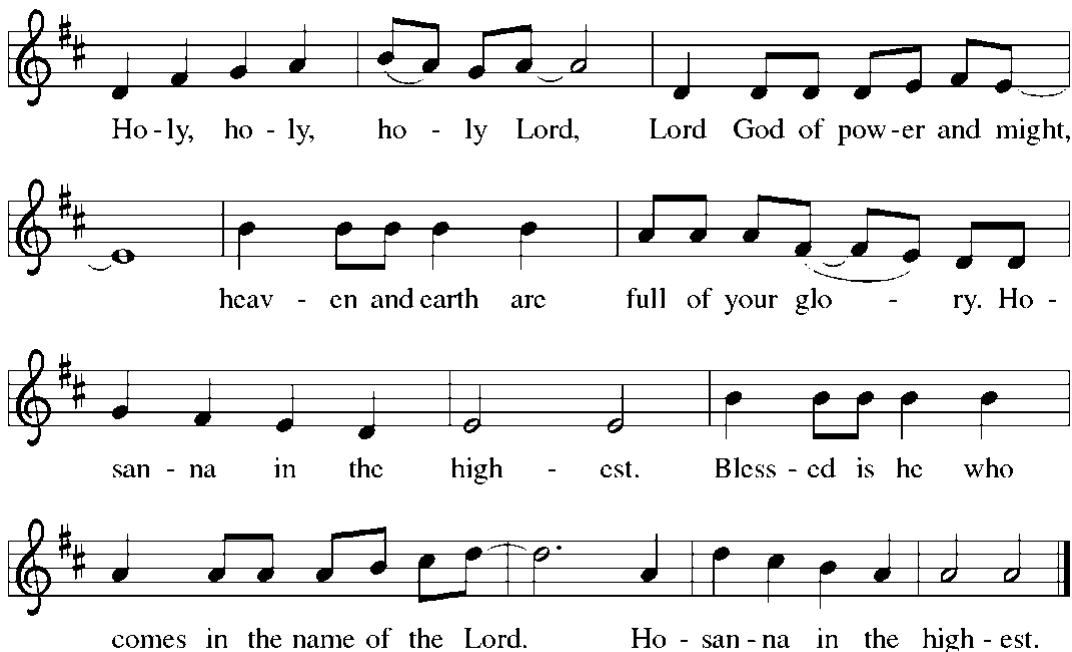
The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## \*PREFACE

It is indeed right ..... And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow - er and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## \*JESUS' WORDS ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION

### \*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.**

## COMMUNION

*Welcome to the Lord's Table! All baptized and communing Christians are invited to receive the gifts of God in Holy Communion, regardless of church affiliation.*

## COMMUNION HYMN

*Lamb of God*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.



# SENDING

## \*BLESSING AND SENDING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**  
Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

*Lamb of God*

Your only Son no sin to hide, but You have sent Him from Your side  
To walk upon this guilty sod and to become the Lamb of God.

**Chorus: O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God.  
O wash me in His precious blood, My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.**

Your gift of love they crucified, they laughed and scorned Him as He died,  
The humble King they named a fraud and sacrificed the Lamb of God. **Chorus**

I was so lost I should have died, but You have brought me to Your side  
To be led by Your staff and rod, and to be called a lamb of God. **Chorus**

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## \*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor. **Thanks be to God.**

## Holy Week Outdoor Worship Schedule

(Weather Permitting\*)

April 1	Maundy Thursday, 7:00 p.m.
April 2	Good Friday, Noon and 7:00 p.m.
April 4	Easter, 9:30

*\*In the event of inclement weather, all services will be livestreamed from the Sanctuary on Bethel's Facebook Page and uploaded to YouTube following.*