

PALM SUNDAY
“It Happened at Bethphage”
March 28, 2021
9:00 a.m.

PRELUDE “Ellacombe” by Albert L. Travis Carla Barrows, Organ

WELCOME Pastor Michael P. Dorn, Senior Pastor

INVOCATION

- P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C** Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

- P** Let us ever walk with Jesus.
- C** To see the depths of His love.
- P** To behold the gift of His forgiveness!
- C** To gaze upon the heights of His grace.
- P** To marvel at the magnitude of His mercy.
- C** We walk with Jesus as He rides a donkey.
- P** He begins in Bethphage and makes His way to Jerusalem.
- C** He does it for us and for our salvation!
- P** Faithful Lord, with me abide.
- C** I shall follow where You guide!

HYMN “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” LSB 443

ALL: 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.

SOLO: *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.*

ALL: "Hosanna in the highest!"
That ancient song we sing;
For Christ is our Redeemer,
The Lord of heav'n our King.
Oh, may we ever praise Him
With heart and life and voice
And in His blissful presence
Eternally rejoice!

HOLY BAPTISM Luke Christopher Stanart

HYMN "See This Wonder in the Making" LSB 593, vs. 1, 2, 4

ALL: See this wonder in the making:
God Himself this child is taking
As a lamb safe in His keeping,
His to be, awake or sleeping.

SOLO: *Miracle each time it happens
As the door to heaven opens
And the Father beams, "Belovèd,
Heir of gifts a king would covet!"*

ALL: Here we bring a child of nature;
Home we take a newborn creature,
Now God's precious son or daughter,
Born again by Word and water.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in hand, gathered to greet Your Son when He came into the City of David, grant that we may hail Him as our King and walk with Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Zechariah 9:9-10

R The Old Testament Reading is from the 9th Chapter of Zechariah.

R 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, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and He shall speak peace to the nations; His rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. (ESV)

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING Philipians 2:5-11

R The Epistle Reading is from the 2nd Chapter of Philipians.

R Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (ESV)

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

VERSE LSB 157

C Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and abounding in steadfast love.

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 21:1-11

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 21st Chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

P Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to Me.

If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, “Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your King is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’”

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and He sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

And the crowds that went before Him and that followed Him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” And when He entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.” (ESV)

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Matt Meier, Director of Discipleship

MESSAGE HYMN “Ride On, Ride On in Majesty” LSB 441

ALL: Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road,
With palms and scattered garments strowed.

SOLO: *Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.*

ALL: *Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The angel armies of the sky
Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.*

SOLO: *Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh.
The Father on His sapphire throne
Awaits His own anointed Son.*

ALL: *Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die.
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.*

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OFFERING

*(Offerings may be submitted online to www.trinitydt.org, by mail to Trinity Downtown,
800 Houston Ave., Houston, TX 77007 or dropped off at the office, M-F, 8:30 - 2:30.)*

MUSICAL OFFERING "Sing Hosanna" by Michael Jothen Ensemble

*Sing Hosanna to Him who comes, Sing Hosanna in the highest!
Sing Hosanna to Him who comes, Sing Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is He who comes, Comes in the name, Comes in the name of the Lord!*

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Blessed is He who comes, Comes in the name, Comes in the name of the Lord!
Sing Hosanna to Him who comes, Sing Hosanna in the highest!*

*Sing Hosanna to Him who comes, Sing Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes, Comes in the name,
Comes in the name of the Lord!
Comes in the name of the Lord!*

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

BENEDICTION

P The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The LORD look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" LSB 442, vs. 1, 3, 4, 5

Refrain (All): All glory, laud, and honor
To You, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.

SOLO: *You are the King of Israel
And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming,
Our King and Blessèd One. Refrain*

SOLO: *The multitude of pilgrims
With palms before You went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before You we present. Refrain*

SOLO: *To You before Your passion
They sang their hymns of praise;
To You, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise. Refrain*

ENSEMBLE: *As You received their praises,
Accept the prayers we bring,
O Source of ev'ry blessing,
Our good and gracious King. Refrain*

POSTLUDE "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" by Thomas Chesterton. . . Carla Barrows, Organ

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