



KIMBALL MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

101 VANCE ST. KANNAPOLIS, NC 28081

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Palm Sunday

8:30 am

*Congregational responses in **Bold***

P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C Hosanna to the Son of David.

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL St. Mark 11:1-11

Jesus enters Jerusalem

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples ²and 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. ³If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’ ” ⁴They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” ⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!” ¹¹Then 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.

Raise your palm branches.

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was acclaimed Son of David and King of kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path. We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Leader (or group 1) *Group (or group 2)*

1. Hail, — Je - sus, You're my King. Hail, — Je - sus,
 2. Hail, — Je - sus, You're my Lord. Hail, — Je - sus,
 3. Glo - ry, glo - ry to the Lamb. Glo - ry, glo - ry

4 *Leader (or group 1)*

You're my King. Your — life frees me to sing.
 You're my Lord. I — will o - bey Your Word.
 to the Lamb. You take me in - to the land.

7 *Group (or group 2)*

Your — life frees me to sing. —
 I — will o - bey Your Word. I
 You take me in - to the land. —

9 *Leader (or group 1)* *Group (or group 2)*

I will praise — You all my days. — I will praise — You
 want to see — Your king - dom come. I want to see — Your
 We will con - quer in Your name, — We will con - quer

12 *Leader (or group 1)*

all my days. Per - fect — in all Your ways.
 king - dom come. Not my will, — but Yours be done.
 in Your name, And pro - claim — that Je - sus reigns,

15 *Group (or group 2)* *Leader (or group 1)*

Per - fect in all Your ways. And pro-claim that
 Not my will, but Yours be done.
 And pro-claim that Je - sus reigns.

18 *Group (or group 2)*

Je - sus reigns, And pro-claim that Je - sus reigns.

GREETING

P Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray. Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

DEDICATION OF COLUMBARIUM ETERNAL FLAME

LET'S TALK

Children's Time

Reading Philippians 2:5-11

Christ did not act to attain status and glory but was obedient to God even to the point of death. Following Christ's example, we do not seek personal status or glory but care for others as God cared for us in Christ's death.

L A reading from the second chapter of Philippians.

L et the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

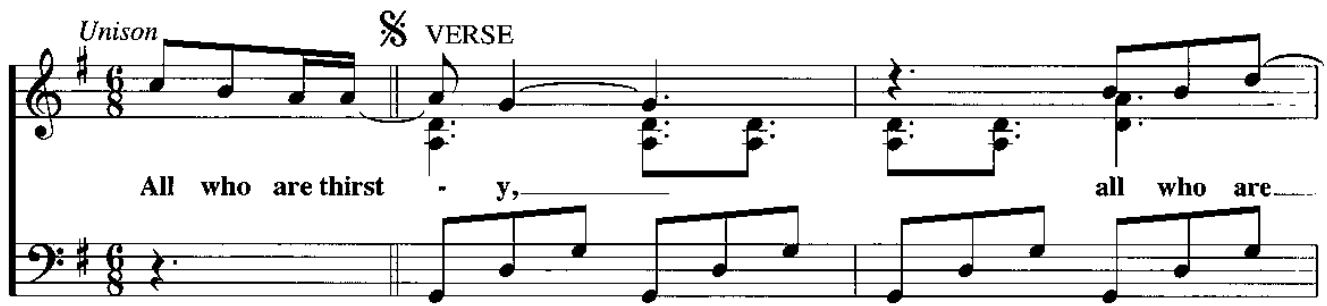
L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Pastor John Futterer

Unison § VERSE



All who are thirst - y, all who are...

3



weak, come to the foun - tain;

6



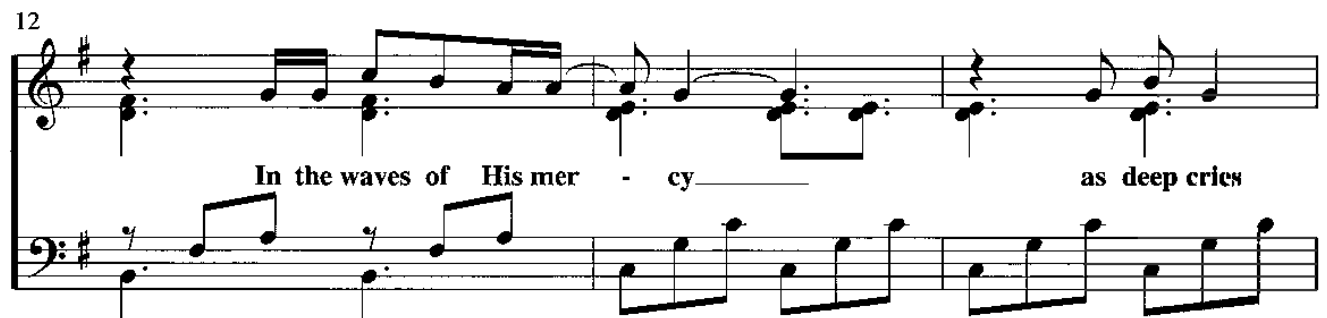
Dip your heart in the stream of life. Let the pain and the sor -

9



- row be washed a - way

12



In the waves of His mer - cy as deep cries

15 CHORUS 3-part

out to deep. We sing: (opt.) Ho - ly

18

Je - sus, come.
Spir - it, come.

21

Come, Lord Je - sus, come.
Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

24

13 2 Unison D.S. 4 Parts

All who are thirst... Ho - ly

28

Repeat ending Song ending

Spir - it, come.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be God, the one who forms us, ✚ Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

C Amen.

P Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Steadfast and faithful God,

C **you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the ✚ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

A With the people of God in Christ now and in every time, let us confess our faith.

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary, He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

A Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

Prayer petitions will conclude: "Hear us, O God."

The congregation's response is: "Your mercy is great."

P Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

A Following his resurrection, the Lord Jesus breathed peace upon his disciples. We share in this peace of Christ in the Church today. The peace of the Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray. Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name.

C **Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

We have two options for Communion during this time. You are free to come forward to receive the bread and pre-filled cups of wine from our clergy and lay assistants, returning to your seats after you've deposited the empty cup and following the guidance of our ushers; or you may continue to use the pre-packaged communion elements which are available from the ushers at the entrance to the Sanctuary. However you choose to receive Communion this morning, know that we are glad you're here for this Sacrament!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered as one by the Holy Spirit let us pray, as Jesus taught.

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.

INVITATION

P Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat and live.

You may receive the Elements as the words are said:

The Body of Christ given for You; The Blood of Christ shed for You.

COMMUNION SONG

Jesus Messiah

Chris Tomlin

1. 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.

2. His bounty, 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**

All our hope is in You, All our hope is in You, All the glory to You, God, the Light of the world. Jesus Messiah Lord of all, the Lord of all.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His Grace.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P The God of glory, ✝ Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

A Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SENDING SONG

Hosanna

Paul Baloche

VERSES
Unison

1. Praise is ris - ing, eyes are
2. Hear the sound of hearts re -

turn - ing to You, we turn to You.
turn - ing to You, we turn to You.

Hope is
In Your

10

stir - ring, hearts are yearn - ing for You,
King - dom bro - ken lives are made new,

13

we long for You.
You make us new.

16

PRE-CHORUS
3-part *Unison*

'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day.

19

3-part

In Your Presence all our fears

22

Unison *3-part*

are washed a - way, washed a - way. Ho -

25

CHORUS *Unison*

san - na, ho - san - na! You are the God

29

3-part

Who saves us, wor - thy of all our prais - es.

12

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na!

36

Unison *3-part*

Come have Your way a - mong us. We wel - come You here, -

39

Lord Je - sus. Ho -

41

san - na, ho - san - na!

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