

Worship Celebration March 24, 2024

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WORSHIP GUIDE

Before you begin your time of worship, find a comfortable place to be and gather whatever you might need: your Bible, something to write on and with, your computer/connected device (if you intend to listen to music online), etc. Feel free to adapt this worship guide in any way that makes best sense to you and those you might be gathered with. (Consider inviting someone – a friend, a family member – to worship with you.) Commit to spending the next hour with God.

Prelude

Listen and sing along to a song or hymn that blesses and centers your spirit.

Call to Worship

Leader: The powers of the world rise up in conquest. **People:** But among them is a humble man on a donkey.

Leader: Great leaders flaunt their might; they ride forth in conquest. People: But the greatest power belongs to the little man with the holes in his hands.

Leader: His power is love, and it is triumphant. That power alone will heal the world, and save us all. People: Christ, King of Love, God, Sovereign of Grace, we worship you.

ALL: By your grace may we follow you now and always. Hosanna in the highest!

Opening Hymn "Make Way, Make Way" W&S 3044

Scripture Reading

Mark Chapter 11 v 1-11

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

> **Reader**: This is the word of God for the people of God. **All:** Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Listen to 2024 sermons here.

Hymn of Response:

"Blessed Is He" (see page 3)

Prayers of the People

Spend time in prayer. What did you hear for yourself through today's scripture and reflection? Talk to God about it. Then lift up the joys and concerns that are in your heart. You might write them down, speak them aloud, or pray for them in silence.

We would be honored to pray with you and for you. Please send a note via text, mail, or email or give a call to our Healing Prayer Team.

Offering

How might you offer yourself and all that you have to God this week? How are you being invited to practice generosity? Spend a moment listening for God's direction.

You are invited to contribute financially towards the purpose and ministry of TTUMC. We are a congregation committed to being conduits of God's healing in our neighborhood and beyond, and in so doing, impact the last and the least. You can contribute by mailing in a check, dropping off cash, or giving online (visit <u>https://twintowersumc.org/giving</u>).

Closing Hymn

"The King of Glory Comes" TFWS 2091

Benediction

Now go and pass Christ's peace!

Hymn of Response Blessed Is He

Verse

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord (2X)

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 ever in His presence eternally rejoice

Chorus

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord (4X)

Who comes in the name of the Lord

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Announcements and Invitations



Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday 5:00 p.m.

Register for the Following Jesus: Lenten Study using this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUIde6hqT4iH9S6b0ArvsuXdv4rwh9YufkV

Small Group Opportunities

Pope Francis' Encyclical called Laudato Si Last Saturday Monthly at 10:00 a.m.

Garner Residence Following Jesus: Lenten Study Thursdays, February 15- March 28, 6-7 pm facilitated by Rev. Dr. Judith Pruess-Mellow via Zoom

Chinese Community United Methodist Church presents **2024 Kumi Benefit Walk/Ride** In-Person Only Event, April 20th Castro Valley, CA



Our Preschool needs Flush Toilets

Walk, Cycle, and

Build a School

In Kumi, Uganda Goal: \$30,000

Questions? ycvmbenefit@gmail.com Register and donate at www.ycvm.org



Lake Merritt United Methodist Church presents

SOUND BATH

Join us every second Friday, beginning November 10th 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Lake Merritt United Methodist Church (Sanctuary) 1330 Lakeshore Ave, Oakland, CA 94606 Park on Lakeshore Ave at metered parking

Choose how you would like to experience the Sound Bath (Bring your own mat or blanket/pillow)

Sitting – \$20 In chairs facing the sides of the center stage, from the periphery of the church Lying Down — \$35 Surrounding the center stage, on carpeted and hardwood floors





