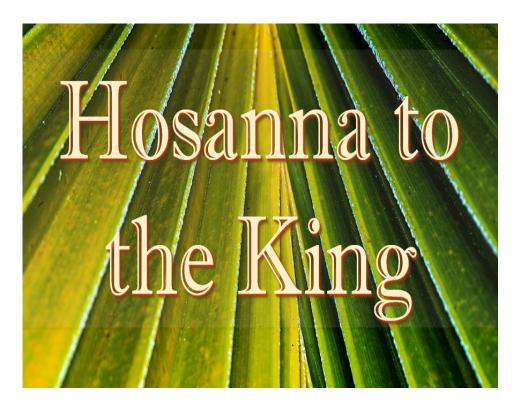
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March 28, 2021

We Welcome One and All In the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

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Psalm Sunday

The liturgical color today is purple for preparation and penitence.

"We Gather In God's Presence..."

Gathering Music

Greeting and Announcements

Call to Worship

Isabella Romano

Prayer

Hymn

'All Glory, Laud, and Honor' ST. THEODULPH D.J. Parson, trumpet

All glory, laud, and honor
To you, Redeemer, King
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring
You are a child of Israel
Great David's greater Son
You ride in lowly triumph
Messiah, blessed one

The company of angels
Are praising you on high
And we with all creation
In chorus make reply
The people of the Hebrews
With palms before you went
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before you we present

To you, before your passion
They sang their hymns of praise
To you, now high exalted
Our melody we raise
As you received their praises
Now hear us as we pray
Since you delight in goodness
Rule in our hearts today

Call to Confession
Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we confess that we have looked forward to the wrong things. We have failed to perceive what You are doing in our world and in our lives. Instead, we have only prepared for what benefits us, what satisfies us, and are often disappointed when things do not go our way. Forgive us for our short-sightedness. Call us into Your ways of deep listening with love, compassion, and mercy. As we shout "Hosanna!" may we truly understand what it means to ask you to Save Us, and to understand what it is to belong to Your Beloved Community, on earth as it is in heaven. In Jesus' name we pray all things...

Response 'Friends in Faith'

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Friends in faith who follow Jesus Hear the message of the cross Worldly wisdom now is folly Worldly riches count as loss

Friends who strive to follow Jesus Walk the way that Jesus trod Spirit-filled, in human weakness Cast your cares upon our God

Words of Assurance & How We Are Called to Live

Children's Choir Anthem "Sing Hosanna"

Traditional

I will enter God's gates with thanksgiving in my heart
I will enter Gods's courts with praise
I will say, "This is the day that the Lord has made!"
I will rejoice, for God has made me glad

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna
Sing hosanna to the King of Kings
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna
Sing hosanna to the King

Children's Message (Annual Palm Cross Challenge)

Song

'We Are People on a Journey'

DeMey

We are people on a journey
Following where the Master walks
We are people on a journey
In the shadow of the cross
What compels? The face of Jesus
Who protects? Our faithful guide
He who treads the road of service
Christ the Lord the crucified

We are people on a journey
Taking up the cross of Christ
We are people on a journey
Moving on from death to life
We release the sin that tangled
We relinquish all acclaim
We receive the suff'ring Savior
He our glory wealth and fame

We are people on a journey
Rising up in life reborn
We are people on a journey
Speaking peace, accepting scorn
We are walking toward a homeland
To a myst'ry yet unknown
To a kingdom coming quickly
To the light of God's own throne

...To Hear God's Word

Scripture Psalm 31:9-16

Message "The Agony of Defeat!"

And Respond With Gratitude...

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Offertory "Celtic Hosanna" Martin

Hosanna, hosanna
Rejoice now and sing
Hosanna, hosanna
Let voices now ring
With palms raised in triumph
And psalms raised in praise
To Christ high exalted
Our songs now we raise

Hosanna, Hosanna
God's glory proclaim
Hosanna, hosanna
The King comes to reign
With great jubilation
Prepare ye the way
And shout to the nations
The King has come today

The children are singing, bringing music
Singing sweet music
And lifting their songs to the Lord
The palms all are waving
The people proclaiming
Blessed is He who comes
In the name of the Lord

Sing Hosanna Sing a joyful, loud Hosanna

Hosanna, hosanna
Let the gates open wide
Hosanna, hosanna
In triumph He rides
Our Shield and Defender
The Ancient of Days
Has come to His people
To rule and to reign

*Hymn 'All Hail the Power of Jesus Name' CORONATION

All hail the power of Jesus' name Let angels prostrate fall Bring forth the royal diadem And crown him Lord of all Bring forth the royal diadem And crown him Lord of all

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race
Ye ransomed of the fall
Hail him who saves you by his grace
And crown him Lord of all
Hail him who saves you by his grace
and crown him Lord of all

Let every kindred, every tribe
On this terrestrial ball
To him all majesty ascribe
And crown him Lord of all
To him all majesty ascribe
and crown him Lord of all

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
We at his feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown him Lord of all

*Benediction

*Postlude

Lectionary Scripture Readings for this week: Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43;

rintmans 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8

GIVING THANKS:

Leading Worship Today:

Ministers: All of us viewing together

Preaching: Pastor Jeff Neevel

Music: Chanelle Schaffer, Andrea Lee,

D. J. Parsons, Laura Strickling

Greeters: Dawn Comissiong, Vicky Christian

Live Stream Team: James Anderson, James Cobb,

Andrea King, Lucy Sutton

Children's Choir: Anna Neevel, Kamui & Kenji Nieves,

D. J. Parsons, Isabella Romano

Virtual Choir: Joy Aird, Geoffrey Barnard,

Amy & Dave Himes, Andrea Lee, Steve Mange, Tama McConnell, Fred Northup, Julie Northup,

Jeff Smith, Laura Strickling

The Ladies Bible Study meets on

Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm using Zoom. If you are interested in participating please contact Edye Ciaccia at 678-772-5412 for meeting info and Zoom sign in information. All ladies are welcome!

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