

# PALM SUNDAY

March 20, 2016

10:15 A.M.

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## PREPARATION AND PRAISE

*Upon entering the sanctuary please maintain silence and turn off all electronic devices  
for the sake of the congregation's preparation for worship.*

Prelude: "All Glory, Laud and Honor"  
"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Schack/Powell  
Ripper

## ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

\* Call to Worship: Psalm 118:19-27

Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.

**This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter.**

I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.

**The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**O LORD save us; O LORD, grant us success. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.**

From the house of the LORD we bless you.

**The LORD is God, and he has made his light shine upon us.**

With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar.

\* Hymn: PH 378 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

ELLACOMBE

\* God's Greeting:

Grace and peace be to you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**Who made heaven and earth.**

Blessed be God,

**And blessed is his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

\* Prayer of the Day:

**O Lord Jesus Christ, on this day you received the worship of those who hailed you as their King: accept our praise and adoration, our worship and love; and grant that we, who now confess you with our lips, may never fail to give you the service of our lives, for the honor of your holy name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.**

O Christ, our hope, our heart's desire, redemption's only spring,  
Creator of the world art thou, its Savior and its King.

O Christ, be thou our lasting joy, our ever great reward;  
our only glory may it be to glory in the Lord!

## CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:

John 3:19-21

Prayer of Confession:

**O Lord, who on this day entered the rebellious city that later rejected you, we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's, that our faith is often more show than substance, that our hearts are in need of cleansing. Have mercy on us, Son of David, Savior of our lives. Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and all that we are, trusting you to forgive what is sinful, to heal what is broken, to welcome our praises, and to receive us as your own.**      Silent Prayer and Confession

Minister: Lord, in your mercy,

All: **Hear our prayer. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon:

John 3:16-17

God's Will for Our Lives:

Philippians 2:5-11

Choral Anthem: "Blessed Is He Who Comes"

Larson

(When directed, the congregation is asked to join the choir in singing two verses.)

All glory, laud and honor to Thee, Redeemer King.  
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!  
The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;  
Our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present.

Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal son,  
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One;  
To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise  
To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise!

Congregational Prayer

## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

\* Hymn: PH 370

"The King of Glory Comes"

PROMISED ONE

[Children age 3 - grade Pre-K may leave after the hymn.]

Scripture Reading: Luke 19:28-40

Sermon: *So Comes the Savior King!*

Prayer:

**God, our Father, as Christ was welcomed into the Holy City, may we welcome Him into our lives and homes. May the King of Glory have rule in our hearts, that Your Kingdom come in us as it is in heaven; through Christ our Lord, to Whom with You, Father, and the Holy Spirit be all praise, honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen!**

\* Hymn:

"Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

WINCHESTER NEW

## THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

### \* Offertory Prayer

Offerings: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: "My Song Is Love Unknown"

Callahan

## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

### \* Blessing:

*Celtic Daily Prayer*

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, wherever He may send you.

May He guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.

May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you.

May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

### \* Benediction:

II Corinthians 13:14

People of God, the King of Glory, the Prince of Peace comes to you!

**Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!**

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**Amen.**

### \* Doxology: PH 400

"Praise the Savior, Now and Ever"

UPP, MIN TUNGA

For his favor, praise forever unto God the Father sing.

Praise the Savior, praise him ever, Son of God, our Lord and King.

Praise the Spirit; through Christ's merit he doth us salvation bring.

### \* Postlude