



PALM SUNDAY

April 13, 2014

THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP GOD

THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

Reader One: *The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—the King of Israel!"*

Reader Two: *Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: "Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"*

Reader One: *His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him. John 12:12-16*

Reader Two: So today, may our hearts be filled with joy, as with anticipation we enter the sanctuary.

Reader One: May God bless us and these branches we bring,

Reader Two: that our whole being cry aloud,

Both Readers: *"Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"*

PROCESSION OF PALMS *Antiphonal Hosanna* arr. Smith

WORDS OF WELCOME

*WORSHIP HYMN.....CH. 192
All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST.....Lexi Kilburn

*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Palm Sunday God, in faithful love You sent Your Beloved Child to be human with us in our history, to suffer death upon the cross and be raised in glorious resurrection. May we, emptying ourselves in servanthood and walking in the way of the cross, find that it is, for us, the way to newness of life. In the name of Jesus Christ, to whom with You and the Spirit, one holy God, be all honor, now and forever, we pray this day, saying, "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. 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.

*GLORIA PATRI.....CH. 35

A PRAYER WITH THE CHILDREN

THE CHURCH PROCLAIMS THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING (pg 492)Psalm 118:1-6;26-29

ANTHEM *Steven Meadows, percussion*.....arr. Larson
Hosanna, Sing Hosanna!

SECOND READING (pg 875)John 12:20-28

SERMON.....Rev. Cyd Cowgill
Into the Ground

CHORAL RESPONSE.....Taize`
Our Eyes are Turned to the Lord

SILENT MEDITATION AND PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE: *If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us of all unrighteousness. Thanks be to God.*

THE CHURCH COMES TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

MINUTE FOR MISSION.....Frances Wells

OFFERTORY.....arr. Berry
All Glory, Laud and Honor

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Dear God, help us to be more like Jesus. In this time of offering, help us to become a little bit emptier of our worries and our possessions, our obsessions and ourselves, that we might emerge from this Holy Week a little bit fuller of You. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

*THE DOXOLOGY.....CH. 528
Give Thanks

COMMUNION INVITATION

COMMUNION HYMN.....CH. 569
Jesus, Remember Me

PRAYER FOR THE BREAD.....Tony Peris

PRAYER FOR THE CUP.....Fred Fritts

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS.....arr. Berry
Let Us Break Bread Together on our Knees

The Lord's Table is open for all people. Christ has set the table before us. It is by His invitation we are fed. You may eat the bread as it is passed and drink the cup at the conclusion of the Words of Institution.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE CHURCH GOES FORTH TO SERVE GOD IN MISSION

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

***HYMN OF INVITATION.....CH. 202**

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

During the singing of the Hymn of Invitation, we invite anyone wishing to become a Christian or wishing to unite with this congregation, to please come forward.

***DRAPING THE CROSS**

***BENEDICTION**

LEADER: Where Christ walks, we will follow.
Where Christ stumbles, we will stop.

PEOPLE: **WHERE CHRIST CRIES, WE WILL LISTEN.
WHERE CHRIST SUFFERS, WE WILL HURT.**

LEADER: When Christ dies, we will bow our heads in sorrow.
When Christ rises again in glory, we will share his endless joy.

PEOPLE: **THERE IS NO OTHER WAY.**

UNISON: **HE IS THE WAY.**

POSTLUDE

****PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE***

DIACONATE SERVING TODAY

Kathryn Bean, Sharon Jenson, Donna Nutting, Michael Stevenson



*Thank you for worshipping at West Side Christian Church today.
We hope you received a blessing this morning, and that you will experience God's presence
in the week ahead. See you next Sunday!*

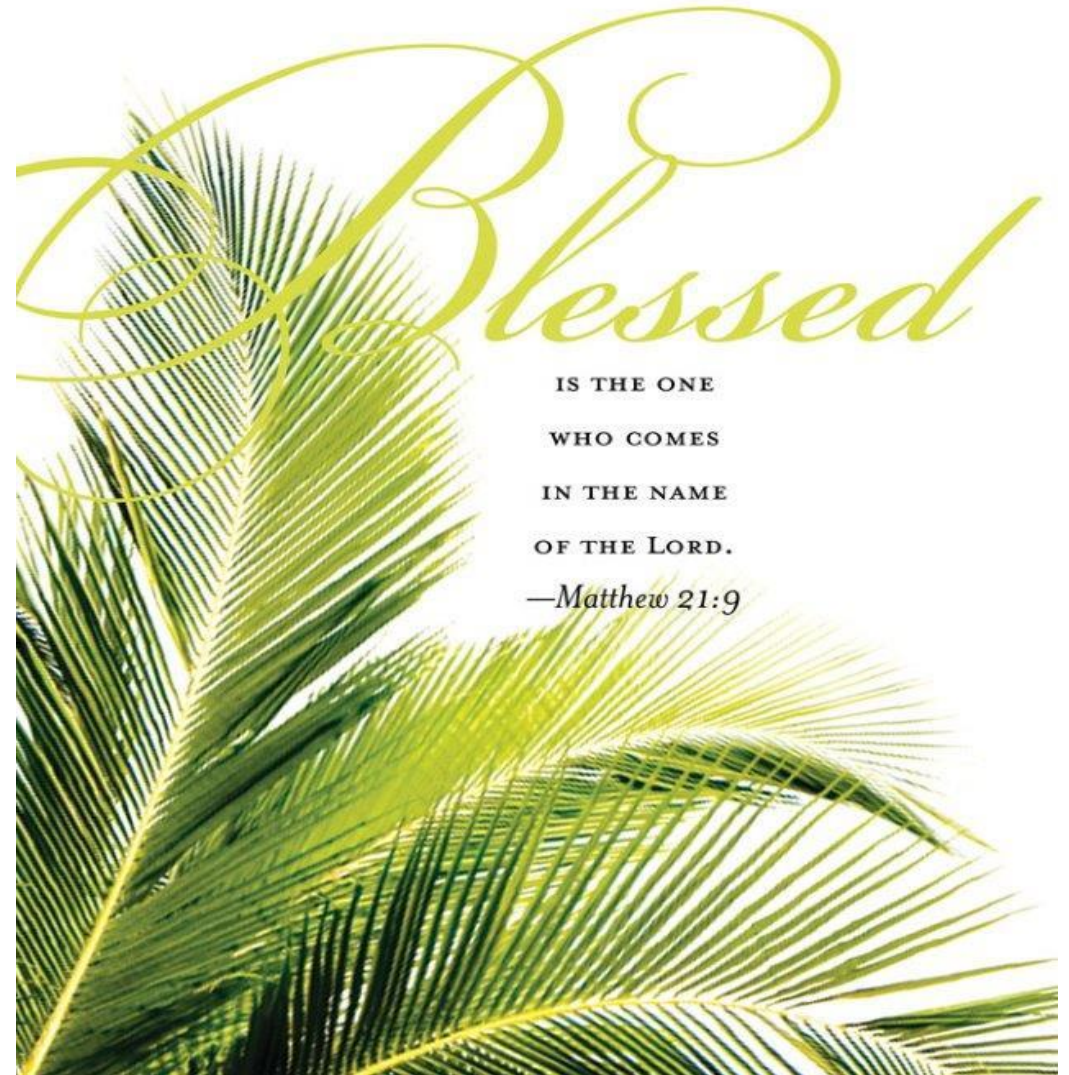


The Welcome Loaf

*We offer a loaf of fresh bread to first time visitors as an expression of our appreciation
your for presence. Please greet Rev. Cyd at the door following worship to receive your loaf.*



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