

Prayer of Confession

John Steinginga

O Lord, we confess our hands are not clean, our hearts are not pure. Forgive our capricious discipleship and keep our faith constant, O Lord. Lead us always to a deeper experience of your love. Enliven us by the familiar but always new story of shame and triumph, suffering and hope, that this week reveals. Mold us to the ways of the Servant whose life we honor this morning. In the name of Christ, our Lord, **Amen.**

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

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Hear the Word of the Lord from Psalm 118:
Let those who fear the Lord say,
"His steadfast love endures for ever."
Out of my distress I called on the Lord;
the Lord answered me and set me free.
The Lord is my strength and my song;
he has become my salvation.
I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the Lord.
In Christ, God answers us and sets us free!
In Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

—based on Psalm 118:4-5, 14, 17, NRSV

Leader: This is the Promise of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be, world without end.
A-men, A-men.*

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be with You

All: And also with you

Offering

Thankful of the gifts God has given us, we offer ourselves to Him

Invitation (*Responsively*)

Almighty God, you have given us everything.
Not only did you create us, but you provide for our every need.
We give thanks to you, Lord, for you are good.
Your love endures forever.
When we turned away from you, you reached down to us.

You lifted us up and freed us through the gift of your Son.
We give thanks to you, Lord, for you are good.

Your love endures forever.

You are with us always. You watch over our coming and our going. Your Holy Spirit guides us and leads us every step of our lives. We give thanks to you, Lord, for you are good.

Your love endures forever.

For your abundant grace we give you thanks.

Gratefully we offer the gifts you first gave us.

We give thanks to you, Lord, for you are good.

Your love endures forever.

Use our time, our talents, and our tithes for your glory.

May it bless others with hope, peace, and joy. **Amen.**

Offering

Offertory

The Palms
(Brass, Piano)

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.

Prayer of Dedication

Let us be faithful stewards of our time, our talents, and our money. so that our treasure is in heaven and our giving pleases God.

Praise Hymn 174

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Proclaiming

God speaks to us through His Word

Scripture Reading

John 12:12-19

¹²The next day, when the large crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, ¹³they took palm branches and went out to meet him. They kept shouting:

“Hosanna!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord —the King of Israel!”

¹⁴Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written:

¹⁵***Do not be afraid,***

Daughter Zion. Look, your King is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt.

¹⁶His disciples did not understand these things at first. However, when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been

written about him and that they had done these things to him.
17 Meanwhile, the crowd, which had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead, continued to testify. 18 **This is also why the crowd met him, because they heard he had done this sign. 19 Then the Pharisees said to one another, “You see? You’ve accomplished nothing. Look, the world has gone after him!”**

Sermon

*“Hosanna”
Rev. Tim Latham*

! Song of Response

Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

Verse 1

*Praise is rising; eyes are turning to You;
We turn to You.
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You;
We long for You.*

Pre-Chorus

*‘Cause when we see You, we find strength to find the day.
In Your presence all our fears are washed away,
Washed away.*

Chorus

*Hosanna, Hosanna,
You are the God who saves us,
Worthy of all our praises.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Come have Your way among us,
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus.*

Verse 2

*Hear the sound of hearts turning to You,
We turn to You.
In Your Kingdom, broken lives are made new;
You make us new.*

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

Tag – Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna!

Responding

We respond to God’s Word

! Profession of Faith (In Unison)


**Christ Jesus,
though he was in the form of God,**

did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
to the glory of God:
Jesus Christ is Lord!

—from Philippians 2:5-11, NRSV

Commissioning

God sends us out into the world as His witnesses

 **Commission Hymn 234** *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

 **Benediction & Blessing**

 **Postlude** *The Power of the Cross*