

AN ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR THE GATHERED COMMUNITY
Woodridge United Methodist Church
Sunday, April 13th, 2025 Palm Sunday

Music to Prepare Our Hearts

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Exclaim with Delight – Hosanna! *(Whole Church Marching)*

Processional Song “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” UMH #278

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Larry Cash: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

Many Voices: Hosanna! Rejoice for the Lord is in our midst.

Larry Cash: He comes with joy and hope.

Many Voices: He comes to set us free from fear.

Larry Cash: Hosanna!

Many Voices: Hosanna! Glory to God in the Highest Heaven! Amen.

***Opening Hymn** “Tell Me the Stories of Jesus” UMH #277

Passing the Peace

Opening Prayer

Larry Cash: With great joy we welcome you, Lord Jesus! The journey has been long and we have longed to enter the Holy City. You come into our hearts and our lives, humbly, patiently, encouraging us to learn and grow, to embark on journeys of hope and healing. Open our hearts today to hear your words, as we sing praise to you. Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord's name.

All: Amen.

Blessing Our Children Pastor Dave

Offering Ourselves

Blessing our Gifts with Music

*Doxology

*Offering Prayer

All: God of Peace, who reigns in unexpected ways, we gather before you in this season of Lent, bringing our gifts as an offering of our hearts. Just as the crowd welcomed Jesus with shouts of praise, we offer our lives in service to your kingdom. Use these gifts to bring hope, healing, and love to a world longing for your peace. Guide us to give generously with joyful hearts, knowing that in our giving, we proclaim your reign of grace. Bless these offerings and all who give in the name of Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Lesson
Gospel Lesson

Psalm 118:1-2 (*CEB*)
Luke 19:28-40 (*NVSVue*)

Larry Cash: The Word of God for the People of God.
Many Voices: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Song

"O How He Loves You and Me"

TFWS #2108

Proclaiming

"Power Is Made Perfect in Weakness"

Pastor Dave

Praying

Joys & Concerns
Prayers for the People
Lord's Prayer

*Closing Hymn

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

UMH #280

*Dismissal with Blessing

Going Forth to the World