

8:30 a.m. ~ Sunday, April 20th

Piano

WELCOME & RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE

GREETING

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: Amen.
- P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C: Hosanna to the Son of David.
- P: Let us pray. Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

HOLY GOSPEL John 12:12-19 [ESV]

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

- R: This is the Gospel of Lord.
- C: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

OPENING HYMN "All Glory Laud and Honor"

OPENING LITURGY

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Lord Jesus, on this day when we remember Your entry into Jerusalem as King and Savior, we walk with You to Your cross, where Your righteousness is given to all who believe. Search our hearts and minds that we may receive Your Word, share in Your Spirit, and be renewed in our relationships with You and with one another.

Moment of Silent Confession

- P: With humble hearts, let us pray together.
- C: Lord Jesus, the Father's only Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords, hear us as we pray.
- P: You reign over all things and yet humbled Yourself for our salvation.
- C: We confess that our rebellion against You in thought, word, and action is the reason why You entered into this world.
- P: It is why You passed through the gates of Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and why You laid down Your life upon Calvary's cross on Good Friday—
- C: to forgive our sins, to redeem our lives, and to cancel the debt we owe to God.
- P: With hearts that are humble and lives that are grateful, help us to receive Your grace and bow before You in worship,
- C: Confessing that You alone are Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.
- P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, shows His mercy to us in the sending of His only Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords. The One who entered into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday was handed over to death upon the cross so that we may be reconciled to the Father and granted His remission, full and free. We are justified by His grace alone. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Hosanna!
- C: Hosanna! Save us, we pray, O LORD!
- P: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!
- C: We bless You from the house of the LORD.

- P: Open to me the gates of righteousness,
- C: that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.
- P: This is the gate of the LORD;
- C: the righteous shall enter through it.
- P: I thank You that You have answered me
- C: and have become my salvation.
- P: The stone that the builders rejected
- **C:** has become the cornerstone.
- P: This is the LORD'S doing;
- C: it is marvelous in our eyes.
- P: This is the day that the LORD has made;
- C: let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- P: The LORD is God, and He has made His light to shine upon us.
- C: Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!
- P: You are my God, and I will give thanks to You;
- C: You are my God; I will extol You.
- P: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;
- C: for His steadfast love endures forever!
- P: Hosanna!
- C: Hosanna! Save us, we pray, O LORD!

RESPONSE "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Deuteronomy 32:36-39 [ESV]

For the Lord will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants, when he sees that their power is gone and there is none remaining, bond or free. Then he will say, 'Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge, who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of their drink offering? Let them rise up and help you; let them be your protection!

"See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god beside me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

STATEMENT of FAITH The Apostles' Creed

HYMN "Rejoice, O Zion's Daughter"

SERMON "LIFTED UP"

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Small Bell Ensemble & Piano

arr. Jantz Black

PRAYERS of the CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE PREFACE

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them up to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who came into Jerusalem with palms waving, not to be a king, but to pay the King's ransom through His passion and by His blood redeem all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS

WORDS of INSTITUTION

THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

AGNUS DEI

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

"The Palms with Faure's Pavanne"

Piano

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

INVITATION to HOLY WEEK

BENEDICTION

NUNC DIMITTIS

POSTLUDE

"Ride On, King Jesus"

Organ

arr. Robertson



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