

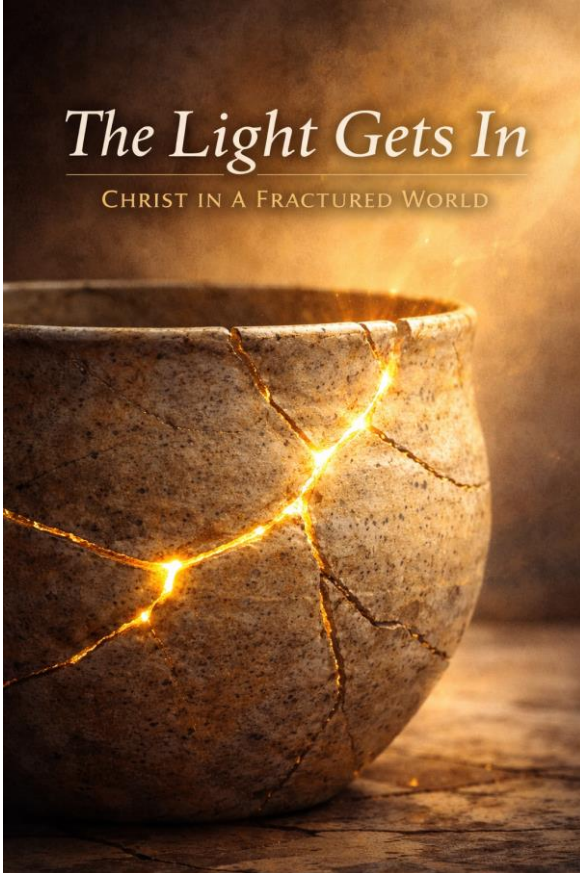
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Sixth Sunday of Lent, Palm Sunday | March 29th
2026

*Please stand as you are able

Welcome and Announcements

Trinity Chimes

Prelude *The Rejoicing* Charles Callahan

***Call to Worship**

One: Hosanna, loud hosanna, the Lord has made this day!

All: Not a quiet or safe day, but the day the Light rides into the shadow of the cross.

One: The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

All: The one they could not silence brings song to the city!

One: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

All: Hosanna, loud hosanna, we sing to the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

***Hymn of Praise** *Who Is He* HYMN TO JOY

1. Who is he who comes in triumph?
Who is he who comes to die,
Comes in peace and comes in power,
Hidden One now lifted high?
Jesus, Jesus, Lord, Messiah,
Mighty Master of the grave!
See him ride, the King of glory!
God himself has come to save!

2. See him there in humble splendor.

Hear them shouting all around.
Joy explodes in wild procession.
Praise is now the victor's crown.
"Glory, glory in the highest!"
Like the angels hear them sing,
Dancing 'round the Long awaited -
Once their hope, and now their King.

3. Rise and join the glad procession!
Hear them passing by again -
All the ransomed, all his children,
Marching to Jerusalem!
Look ahead - the gates of splendor!
Hear the everlasting hymn!
Open wide your hearts in worship!
Let the King of glory in!

Opening Prayer

Lord of entries and beginnings, endings, and redemption, you break open your grace in our lives as Mary broke open her jar. You bless us extravagantly, irreversibly, filling our lives as perfume fills a room. Open us to your Word, your light shattering our darkness, Amen.

Responsive Reading Psalm 118:1-2; 19-29

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!

Let us say,

“His steadfast love endures forever.”

Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.

**This is the gate of the LORD;
the righteous shall enter through it.**

I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

**The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.**

This is the LORD’s doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.

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

Save us, we beseech you, O LORD!

O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of
the LORD.

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

The LORD is God,
and he has given us light.

**Lead the festal procession with branches,
up to the horns of the altar.**

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God; I will extol you.

**O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.**

Music of Preparation *Hosanna to the King*
Lloyd Larson
The Chancel Choir

Gospel Lesson John 12:1-19

Sermon

The Light Gets In: Christ in a fractured world
Pastor Beth Rambikur

Music of Response

Prayers of the People

Confession and Pardon

Holy God, you pour out your mercy and grace, call us to love and celebration, and offer us salvation. But too often we have decided in advance what salvation should look like. We strive for control and power - when we need to let go and lean into you. We pretend to know best when you alone are Creator of all. Open our eyes to see you at work in our lives and in each other, open our ears to be surprised by your word, open our hearts to be moved by your possibilities. Remind us that small, surprising actions make a world of difference. Forgive us, Lord.

Pastor: Hear the Good News: In Christ, we are redeemed and forgiven. In the name of Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God, Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

***Passing of the Peace**

Invitation to Offering

Offertory *The Palms* Faure/Bock
Kathy Ferguson, piano; Janet Tolman, organ

***Doxology 95**

Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Offertory Prayer**

***Sending Hymn 280** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*
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All glory, laud, and honor to thee Redeemer,
King, To whom the lips of children made sweet
hosannas ring.

1. Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal
Son, Who in the Lord's name comest, the King
and Blessed One.

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3. The people of the Hebrews with psalms before
thee went; Our prayer and praise and anthems
before thee we present.

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4. To thee, before thy passion, they sang their
hymns of praise; To thee, now high exalted, our
melody we raise.

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*Benediction 666 *Shalom to You* SHALOM
**Shalom to you now, shalom my friends,
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**

Postlude *Hosanna* Paul Wachs

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Holy Week Invitation

April 3rd Noon Good Friday Service

at St. Paul's UMC

8051 E Broadway Blvd

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April 3rd 6:30 PM Good Friday Service

at Christ Church UMC

April 5th Resurrection/Easter Sunday

10:00AM Christ Church

Children's Easter Festival 10:00AM

**Please Bring a flower to decorate our
Living Cross in Worship on April 5th**