

Palm Sunday

MORNING WORSHIP – 10:00 A.M.

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK: *Let those who fear the Lord say, "His steadfast love endures forever."* -Psalm 118:4

BAND CHORALES.....Art Sorensen, leader

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.....The Rev. Dr. Craig Atwood

CHORAL INTROIT:

Hosanna.....Edward Leinbach, Salem composer (1823-1901)
Choir

Sing Hosanna.....Traditional
Children's Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP: *Jesus the King, a Godly Play Story*..Rev. Ginny Hege Tobiassen

LITURGY: *Palm Sunday*, pages 49-53Rev. Dr. Atwood

(At the place indicated on page 53 we will sing Hosanna, number 239 in the Book of Worship. The children's choir will sing part 1, and the congregation will respond with part 2.)

ADVENT AND PALM SUNDAY

(Standing)

Shout for joy, you heavens; rejoice, all the earth! The glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all people together will see it. For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Rejoice greatly, shout for joy! See, your king is coming to you. He is righteous and brings salvation.

ST. THEODULPH (151 G)

Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!

Hail in the time ap - point - ed his reign on earth be - gun!

He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free,

to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.

We praise you, the Lord God of Israel! You came to the help of your people and have set them free.

You have raised up for us a mighty Savior, a descendant of your servant David.

You promised through your holy prophets long ago that you would save us from our enemies, from the power of all those who hate us.

You have shown the mercy promised to our ancestors and have remembered your holy covenant.

With a solemn oath to our ancestor Abraham, you promised to rescue us from our enemies and allow us to serve you without fear,

So that we might be holy and righteous before you all the days of our life.

By your tender mercy you cause the bright dawn of salvation to rise on us,

To give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.

The voice of the messenger echoes from the desert, calling us to prepare the way of the Lord and to make a straight path on which he may come. Let us confess our sins, so that our crooked ways will be made straight and the rough ways smooth.

[Kneeling or sitting]

{for Advent}

Gracious Lord Jesus, you come to us with the good news of salvation, but too often we fail to notice. You come to us day by day, yet we close the doors of our hearts when it seems convenient to do things our own way. We ignore your presence and your leadership. We have failed to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God. Forgive us, merciful Lord. May we live so that the world will know that you have come. Amen.

{for Palm Sunday}

Our sovereign Redeemer, we join the people of Jerusalem offering our own shouts of praise and celebration at your coming. Although we welcome you today with the multitude on Palm Sunday, we confess we have also stood with the condemning crowd on Good Friday. Our thoughts, words, and deeds have cried, "Crucify!" We turn to you for help and forgiveness, gracious Savior; not because we deserve it, but because you are forgiving. Save us from our sinful ways, and restore us to a life of loyalty to you. Amen.

Through John the Baptizer, we hear the Lord's promise: Turn away from your sins, and God will forgive your sins.

[Sitting]

(The following hymn is used for Advent.)

TRURO

VOICE: Lift up your heads, you might - y gates; be - hold, the
 CHOIR: Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a
 ALL: So, come, my Sov - 'reign, en - ter in; let new and

King of Glo - ry waits; the King of Kings is
 tem - ple set a - part from earth - ly use for
 no - bler life be - gin; the Ho - ly Spir - it

draw - ing near, the Sav - ior of the world is here.
 heav'n's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer and love and joy.
 guide us on, un - til our glo - rious goal is won.

(The following hymn is used for Palm Sunday.)

LANCASHIRE (151 M)

"Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,

for Christ is our Re - deem - er, the Lord of heav'n our King.

O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,

and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

The musical score consists of three systems. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system ends with a double bar line. The second system has a fermata over the final note of the vocal line. The third system ends with a double bar line.

Eternal God, Ruler of all ages, graciously you come to us in order that we might come to you, through the merit of Jesus Christ, strengthened by the Holy Spirit.

Help us and all your children to respond to the call of your gospel with faith, love, and hope.

God of faith, you created humanity to serve and praise you; and even when we rebelled against you, you promised to send a Savior to redeem us from our sins:

Strengthen our faith in your saving work through Christ. As you chose the people of Israel to hear the promise of redemption through the prophets, may people today believe in your good will for all that you have made.

God of love, you fulfilled your promise of a redeemer in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ:

Grant us the gifts of the Holy Spirit that we may share your love with the sick and the afflicted, with the poor and the homeless, with the victims of injustice and discrimination, and with all who are experiencing times of trouble.

God of hope, you comfort us through our Savior's promise to return in glory at the end of time:

As we await the coming of the Prince of Peace, let us not despair. We long for you to inspire all the nations and peoples of the world to turn to cooperation and nurture, rather than to hatred and destruction.

God of faith, love, and hope, to you and to you alone we pray:

For you are our God, the only God, forever and ever. Amen.

(Standing)

(Here the Hosanna, page 239, or another suitable hymn may be sung.)

Lord, you have kept the promise you made to our ancestors, and have come to the help of your servant people.

You remembered to show mercy to Abraham and Sarah and to all their descendants forever!

We praise you, Lord. You are enthroned in glory, yet you came and continue to come for all who will receive you. We praise you, for you are good, and your mercy endures forever.

To you be glory and power, forever and ever. Amen.

REGENT SQUARE (585 D)

ALL

Praise to you, O Lord, we ren - der for your love in Je - sus shown;

may that love, so strong and ten - der, bind us fast to him a - lone;

CHOIR ALL

now and ev - er, now and ev - er, gath - er us a - mong your own.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

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

Let Israel 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.

Bind 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.

Philippians 2:5-11

During the singing of the next hymn, children aged 3 and up are welcome to follow Godly Play leaders to continue their worship in CE-106.

PALM SUNDAY

344 Prepare the Royal Highway

1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; the King of kings is near!
 2 God's peo - ple, see him com - ing; your own e - ter - nal King!
 3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen to greet your prom - ised King!
 4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; it comes from heav'n a - bove.

Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley a lev - el road ap - pear!
 Palm branch - es strew be - fore him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!
 Your King, yet ev - 'ry na - tion its trib - ute too should bring.
 His rule is peace and free - dom and jus - tice, truth, and love.

Then greet the king of glo - ry fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:
 God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
 All lands will bow be - fore him, their voic - es join in sing - ing:
 So let your praise be sound - ing for kind - ness so a - bound - ing:

Refrain
 Ho - san - na to the Lord for he ful - fills God's word!

TEXT: Frans Mikael Franzén [1772-1847]. Tr. Lutheran Book of Worship

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TUNE: Swedish folk tune [17th cent.]

7.6.7.6.7.7, with Refrain

BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 19:28-40.....Rev. Tobiassen

SERMON

HOLY WEEK

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded 345

1 O sa - cred head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down,
 2 My Lord, what you did suf - fer was all for sin - ners' gain;
 3 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank you, dear - est friend,

now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns your on - ly crown.
 mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but yours the dead - ly pain.
 for this, your dy - ing sor - row, your mer - cy with - out end?

O sa - cred head, what glo - ry and bless - ing you have known!
 So here I kneel, my Sav - ior, for I de - serve your place;
 Lord, make me yours for - ev - er, a loy - al ser - vant true,

Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I claim you as my own.
 look on me with your fa - vor and save me by your grace.
 and let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love for you.

TEXT: Medieval Latin. Tr. Paul Gerhardt (1656). Tr. James Waddell Alexander (1830), alt.
TUNE: Popular melody, Hans Leo Hassler (1601), C. Gregor Choralbuch (1784)

Alternate setting, hymn 763
7.6.7.6.D. Iambic
PASSION CHORALE (151 A)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The offertory provides an opportunity to reflect on the many ways that we can express our gratitude in response to God: with time, treasure, talents, and testimony. For financial giving online: Use the Moravian Ministries Foundation giving portal at <https://mmfa.info/giving-portal/>. Click the DONATE tab on any page of the Home Church website. For more information, go to homemoravian.org/donate. You can make one-time or recurring gifts. Text HOME to 73256 on your phone.

OFFERTORY INVITATIONRev. Dr. Atwood

ANTHEM: *Hosanna to the King*.....Dan Forrest (2006)

Choir

Hosanna to the King! Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord!

DOXOLOGY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLDRev. Tobiasen

PALM SUNDAY

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty 343

1 Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! Hear
 2 Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! In
 3 Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! The
 4 Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! Your

all the tribes ho - san - na cry, O Sav - ior meek, your
 low - ly pomp ride on to die, O Christ, your tri - umphs
 wing - ed ar - mies of the sky look down with sad and
 last and fierc - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on his

road pur - sue, with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strewed.
 now be - gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
 won - d'ring eyes to see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
 sap - phire throne a - waits his own a - noint - ed Son.

5 Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
 In lowly pomp ride on to die,
 bow your meek head to mortal pain,
 then take, O God, your power and reign!

TEXT: Henry Hart Milman (1791-1868), alt.
 TUNE: John Frederick Wille (1888)

L.M.
 PALMARUM (22 1)

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: Hymn 832, *The Grace of Our Lord*

While singing, we extend the right hand of fellowship. Those who wish may exit as the postlude begins.

SERVICE MUSIC

832 The Grace of Our Lord

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "The grace of our Lord Je - sus Christ, and the love of God, and the com - mu - nion of the Ho - ly Spir - it, be with us all, be with us all. A - men." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

TEXT: 2 Corinthians 13:13
TUNE: Christian Gregor (1763)

Irregular
(540 E)

POSTLUDE: *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*.....T. Ellacombe

Albert L.Travis (2006)

SUNDAY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING

GODLY PLAY, CE-106, 10:20 a.m. (ages 3 and up), *Jesus the King* **FEASTING ON THE WORD, 11:15 a.m., CE-101** and Zoom

BIBLE DISCUSSION, 11:15 a.m., Club Room and Zoom

MORAVIAN THEOLOGY, 11:15 a.m., Saal

CHILDREN'S POWER HOUR, 11:15 a.m., CE Building

YOUTH POWER HOUR, 11:15 a.m., Lot 63

We extend a cordial welcome to all visitors this morning and invite you to join us again whenever possible. Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register, pass it both ways in your pew, and greet those near you. After the service, pick up a beverage in the serving room off the Sanctuary, and enjoy fellowship.

The palms are placed in the Sanctuary today in loving memory of *Raymond and Sue Sarbaugh* and *Alice and Carol Sarbaugh* by Bob and Martha Veto and Janet Sarbaugh.

Our youth will be washing graves on Good Friday, April 18, as a service project for families who are not able to. Contact the church office at 336-722-6171 or home1771@homemoravian.org with the names and location of the graves to be washed. All requests for grave washing need to be in the church office by noon on Monday, April 14.

Home Church members have an opportunity to decorate graves in God's Acre in preparation for Easter Sunday on Saturday, April 19 beginning at 9:00 am. ALL are welcome to come and encouraged to bring flowers and/or greenery. Bring your gloves and clippers. Our areas to decorate are located through the second arch; look for sections marked "Home Church." For questions, call Cheryl Wilson at 336-345-9693.

We will be cleaning up flowers from God's Acre on Tuesday afternoon, April 22 and Wednesday morning April 23. Help would be greatly appreciated. Please bring a trash bag and gloves.

CALENDAR

Sunday - 9:30 a.m. - Nursery, CE-105
10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
10:20 a.m. - *Godly Play*, CE-106
11:00 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship, Lovefeast Serving Room
11:15 a.m. - Feasting on the Word, CE-101 and Zoom
Bible Discussion, Club Room and Zoom
Moravian Theology, Saal
Children's Power Hour, CE Building
Youth Power Hour, Lot 63
2:00 p.m. - Easter Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. - Reading Service for Holy Week

Monday - 5:30 p.m. - Circle 5, Parlor
7:00 p.m. - Reading Service for Holy Week

Tuesday - 8:30 a.m. - Men of the Church Breakfast, Club
Room 12:00 p.m. - Circle 8, Parlor
7:00 p.m. - Reading Service for Holy Week

Wednesday - 7:00 a.m. - Breakfast, Cagney's Restaurant
7:00 p.m. - Reading Service for Holy Week

Thursday - 11:30 p.m. - Men of the Church, Club Room
7:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Communion

Friday - 9:00 a.m. - Youth Clean Graves
2:15 p.m. - Crucifixion Service, Sanctuary
7:30 p.m. - Lovefeast for Good Friday, Sanctuary

Saturday - 9:00 a.m. - Grave Decorating in God's Acre
7:00 p.m. - Great Sabbath Service of Music, Sanctuary

Next Sunday - 6:00 a.m. - Sunrise Service
9:30 a.m. - Nursery, CE-105
10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
10:20 a.m. - *Godly Play*, CE-106

The Wednesday Night Fellowship meal has been canceled for this week due to the Reading Service for Holy Week. We will resume our regular meal schedule on Wednesday, April 23.

Inquirers' Classes for those interested in becoming Home Church members will begin on Wednesday evening, April 23. Please contact a pastor if you are interested.

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