

# **PALM SUNDAY**

**April 2, 2023**

## **PRELUDE**

**8:15**

**10:45**

***Valet will ich dir geben***

***Rock***

*J.S. Bach/F. Peeters/A. Giamanco*

*Dovenmuehle, Vanderhill*

## **PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

**8:15**

***Hosanna, Loud Hosanna***

*LSB 443*

- 1 Hosanna, loud hosanna, The little children sang;  
Through pillared court and temple The lovely anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them, Close folded to His breast,  
The children sang their praises, The simplest and the best.
- 2 From Olivet they followed Mid an exultant crowd,  
The victor palm branch waving And chanting clear and loud.  
The Lord of earth and heaven Rode on in lowly state  
Nor scorned that little children Shold on His bidding wait.
- 3 "Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing;  
For Christ is our Redeemer, The Lord of heav'n our King.  
Oh, may we ever praise Him With heart and life and voice  
And in His blissful presence Eternally rejoice!

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**10:45**

***Ride On, Ride On Majesty***

*LSB 441 (vv. 1-3, 5)*

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.  
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road,  
With palms and scattered garments strowed.
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die.  
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin  
O'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
The angel armies of the sky  
Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes  
To see the approaching sacrifice.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die.  
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,  
Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

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**INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. (*Matthew 28:19b*)

**People: Amen.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*Responsively*)

Pastor: The account of Palm Sunday from the Gospel of Mark:

<sup>4</sup> And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. <sup>5</sup> And some of those standing there said to them,

**People: "What are you doing, untying the colt?" <sup>6</sup> And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go.**

Pastor: <sup>7</sup> And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it.

**People: <sup>8</sup> And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields.**

Pastor: <sup>9</sup> And those who went before and those who followed were shouting,

**People: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! <sup>10</sup> Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"**

Pastor: <sup>11</sup> And he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. And when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

**WE CONFESS OUR SINS AND ARE FORGIVEN**

Pastor: Today is the beginning of Holy Week when we recall how our Savior gave His life so that our sins may all be forgiven, and heaven opened to us. Even amidst this joyous celebration, our hearts and minds are prone to wander from the path He set for us. And so we confess our sins, trusting through Christ, that God the Father hears us and answers our pleas for mercy.

*(We take a moment of silence for personal prayers of confession)*

Pastor: With humble hearts, let us pray together.

**People: Lord Jesus, the Father's only Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords, hear us as we pray.**

Pastor: Lord, You reign over all things and yet humbled Yourself for our salvation.

**People: We confess that our rebellion and sin against You in thought, word, and action is the reason why You entered into this world.**

Pastor: 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—

**People: to forgive our sins, to redeem our lives, and to cancel the debt we owe to God.**

Pastor: With humility we now come, confessing our sins to you, trusting in Your grace alone.

**People: Forgive us and lead us into righteousness to the glory of Your name. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, indeed has shown His mercy to us by sending His only Son; He who entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday was handed over on Good Friday to death upon the cross, so we who believe are reconciled to the Father, fully and freely. 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.

**People: Amen.**

**KYRIE**

LSB 152

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**People: Amen.**

**PRAYER**

Pastor: Let us pray...**(do not print/project)** You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

**8:15 Gary & Ruth Lieske and Ed & Arlene Eschenbaugh**

**10:45 Robert & Gayle Niedbala**

**GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD*****Zechariah 9:9–12***

<sup>9</sup> Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. <sup>10</sup> I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. <sup>11</sup> As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup> Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

***Philippians 2:5–11 (ESV)***

<sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH** (Preparation to Lift us up to hear the Gospel)

"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." **Mark 10:45**

**VERSE FOR LENT**

LSB 157

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra-cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a-bound - ing in  
stead-fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

**A LENTEN CREED** (from *Philippians 2:5-11*)

**(I believe) in Christ Jesus, who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore, God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

*Pastor Penny*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

**John 12:26–43**

[Jesus said,] <sup>26</sup> If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

<sup>27</sup> "Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup> Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." <sup>29</sup> The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." <sup>30</sup> Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. <sup>31</sup> Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. <sup>32</sup> And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." <sup>33</sup> He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. <sup>34</sup> So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be

lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" <sup>35</sup> So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. <sup>36</sup> While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light."

When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. <sup>37</sup> Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, <sup>38</sup> so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Lord, who has believed what he heard from us, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?"

<sup>39</sup> Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said, <sup>40</sup> "He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart, lest they see with their eyes, and understand with their heart, and turn, and I would heal them."

<sup>41</sup> Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him. <sup>42</sup> Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; <sup>43</sup> for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

*Paula Weiss*

**10:45**

***Heart of Worship***

*Redman*

### **GOD'S MESSAGE FOR YOU**

***Pride vs Humble Confidence***

*Pastor Patton*

### **THE OFFERING OF GIFTS AND SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP PADS**

**Everyone**, please sign the friendship pad, then pass the pad from the outside aisle to the inside aisle.

### **OFFERING**

***Behold! The King Comes!***

*B. Ingram*

*Handbell Choir*

### **PRAISES AND PRAYERS**

### **CHRIST COMES TO US IN HOLY COMMUNION**

*(Pastor announces that this is First Communion for those who have been instructed)*

### **THE PREFACE** (We Begin the Order of the Sacrament)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: **(Do not print/project)** 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, despite the voices opposed to His mission, steadfastly fulfilled the Father's will for our salvation by giving His life on the tree of the cross. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

**THE SANCTUS** (Our God is Holy)

LSB 161



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION****THE PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgement. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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 and ever. Amen.**


**THE PAX DOMINI**

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

People: **Amen.**

**THE AGNUS DEI** (The Lamb of God takes away our sin)

LSB 163

 Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have  
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the  
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

### **DISTRIBUTION**

#### *O Lord, We Praise Thee*

*LSB 617*

- 1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee,  
 In thanksgiving bow before Thee.  
 Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish  
 Our weak souls that they may flourish: O Lord, have mercy!  
 May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary,  
 That our sins and sorrows did carry,  
 And Thy blood for us plead In all trial, fear, and need:  
 O Lord, have mercy!
- 2 Thy holy body into death was given,  
 Life to win for us in heaven.  
 No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;  
 May this feast thereof remind us! O Lord, have mercy!  
 Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain  
 Thee That Thy blood should bless and sustain me.  
 All our debt Thou hast paid; Peace with God once more is made:  
 O Lord, have mercy!
- 3 May God bestow on us His grace and favor  
 That we follow Christ our Savior  
 And live together here in love and union  
 Nor despise this blest Communion! O Lord, have mercy!  
 Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;

Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us;  
 Give Thy Church, Lord, to see Days of peace and unity:  
 O Lord, have mercy!

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***Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us***

*LSB 851*

- 1 Lord of Glory, You have bought us With Your lifeblood as the price,  
 Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice;  
 And with that have freely given Blessings countless as the sand  
 To the unthankful and the evil With Your own unsparing hand.
- 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Gladly, freely of Your own.  
 With the sunshine of Your goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone  
 Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by You, at length believe  
 That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.
- 3 Wondrous honor You have given To our humblest charity  
 In Your own mysterious sentence "You have done it all to Me."  
 Can it be, O gracious Master, That You deign for alms to sue,  
 Saying by Your poor and needy, "Give as I have giv'n to you"?
- 4 Lord of glory, You have bought us With Your lifeblood as the price,  
 Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice.  
 Give us faith to trust You boldly, Hope, to stay our souls on You;  
 But, oh, best of all Your graces, With Your love our love renew.

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***Ride on, Ride on in Majesty***

*LSB 441*

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.  
 O Savior meek, pursue Thy road, With palms and scattered garments strowed.
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.  
 O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin O'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty! The angel armies of the sky  
 Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes To see the approaching sacrifice.
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh.  
 The Father on His sapphire throne Awaits His own anointed Son.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.  
 Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain, Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.



10:45

***Give Me Jesus  
Run to the Father***

*Camp  
Carnes, Maher, Jackson*

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE****8:15*****Nunc Dimittis****LSB 165*

Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.  
My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:  
A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**10:45*****Amazing Grace******LSB 744 (v. 1-2)***

- 1 Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
Was blind but now I see!
- 2 The Lord has promised good to me,  
His Word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: Let us pray...(Do not print/project) O God the Father, who in love and mercy sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. Strengthen us in the certainty of our Savior's saving work that we may rejoice this day and every day because of the faithful love You have shown to us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.****THE BENEDICTION (God's Blessing)****CLOSING HYMN****8:15*****Lift High the Cross****LSB 837*

***Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
Till all the world adore His sacred name.***

- 1 Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,  
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. ***Refrain***
- 4 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee. ***Refrain***

5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell  
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. **Refrain**

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**10:45**

***Lift High the Cross***

*Kitchin, Newbolt, Nicholson*

**CLOSING EXHORTATION**

**POSTLUDE 8:15**

**10:45**

***Lift High the Cross***  
***God So Loved***

*L. Shackley*  
*Cash et al.*