

April 2, 2023 11:00 a.m.

Palm  
Sunday



**PRELUDE**

Hosanna! F.D. Ashdown

**GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**PALM SUNDAY INTROIT**

He Came Riding on a Donkey DONKEY SONG

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#265 All Glory, Laud and Honor ST. THEODULPH

**\*INVOCATION AND 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God,  
We join the crowds in loud praises with anticipation,  
we expect so much from you.  
Our hosannas turn to cries of disappointment and anger  
when you do not do what we want.  
Forgive us our weakness, our self-centeredness,  
our lack of belief.  
May we know your ways are not our ways  
and hold fast to your promises.  
We come to you with the open hearts of children,  
remembering your unfailing love.

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

**HYMN OF RESPONSE**

#375 Lord, Have Mercy (Sing 3x) J.M. Talbot

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**ANTHEM**

Blessed Is the King! Hosanna! arr. L. Larson

**PSALM and CHORAL RESPONSE**

Psalms 118:1-4, 19-29 Pages 625-626, 1st half of NRSV Bible

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

#267 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna ELLACOMBE

**SECOND READING**

Matthew 21:1-11 Pages 23, 2nd half of NRSV Bible  
Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

**SERMON**

Rev. Louise Traynor

**\*HYMN OF APPROACH**

#692 Eat This Bread and Never Hunger

MODESTO

**GATHERING AT THE TABLE**

**\*The Passing of the Peace**

**\*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty  
from there he shall come to judge  
the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic\* Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*catholic means the church universal or the church for all time

**The Bread**

**The Cup**

All who seek God and the presence of Christ are welcome to participate

**CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**Offertory**

"All Glory, Laud and Honor" arr. M. Burkhardt

**\*New Doxology**

Let's praise God for each good thing. M. Adria

All creation, shout and sing!

Praise three persons, yet one Love:

Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

**\*Prayer of Gratitude**

**\*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY**

#268 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty! TRURO

**\*THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**Leader:** May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of  
God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**\*Choral Benediction**

O Sacred Head Now Wounded PASSION CHORALE

**\*The Sending of the Community**

**\*Congregational Amen**

The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week

**POSTLUDE**

Variations sur "Herzlich tut, mich verlangen" D. Bédard

**\*Please stand, as you are able**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:

Guest Preacher - Rev. Louise Traynor;

Scripture Reader - Debbie Benson;

Communion preparation - Twyla Fletcher, Jack Lepin;

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