

**April 13, 2025; 9:00 am**  
Palm Sunday

## **We Gather Together (In Fellowship Hall)**

***Welcome** to today's Service of Worship. Whether you are with us in person, joining us live on zoom, watching on our YouTube channel, or listening on KFIZ, we are glad you are here. For those in person, please use the time before worship to fill in the Friendship Pad in your pew. We extend a special welcome to our visitors, and if you have not already received your welcome gift, please pick one up as you leave the sanctuary after worship.*

### **Opening Scripture: John 12:12-18 (CEB)**

page 106 in the pew Bible (NRSV), page 1308 (CEB)

*Choral Reading  
by Handbell Choir*

The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. They took palm branches and went out to meet him. They shouted,

"Hosanna!

*Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord!* (Ps. 118:26)

Blessings on the king of Israel!"

Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

*Don't be afraid, Daughter Zion.*

*Look! Your king is coming,*

*sitting on a donkey's colt.* (Zech 9:9)

His disciples didn't understand these things at first. After he was glorified, they remembered that these things had been written about him and that they had done these things to him.

The crowd who had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead were testifying about him. That's why the crowd came to meet him, because they had heard about this miraculous sign that he had done.

# Hosanna

Words and Music by  
Carl Tuttle

## VERSE

♩ = 120

♯Bb F Gm Eb F

Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho-  
2. Glo ry! Glo - ry! Glo - ry to the King of kings!

## CHORUS

5 Bb F Gm Eb F Eb F

san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Lord we lift up Your name  
Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Glo - ry to the King of kings!

10 Bb Eb F Bb Eb F Bb F/A Gm

with hearts full of praise. Be ex - alt - ed, oh Lord, my God. Ho-

15 Eb F Bb Fine Bb D.S. al Fine

san - na in the high - est! kings! Ho  
Glo - ry to the King of

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## **Processional Hymn PH 88/GTG 196 “All Glory Laud and Honor”**

*Refrain:*

All glory, laud, and honor  
to thee, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring!

Thou art the King of Israel,  
thou David’s royal Son,  
who in the Lord’s name comest,  
the King and blessed One.  
[Refrain]

The people of the Hebrews  
with palms before thee went;

our praise and prayers and  
anthems  
before thee we present. [Refrain]

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

Thou didst accept their praises;  
accept the prayers we bring,  
who in all good delightest,  
thou good and gracious King!  
[Refrain]

## **Welcome & Announcements**

*Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin*

### **\* Opening Prayer**

*Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin*

To you who triumphed over death, we sing our praise. Your steadfast love endures forever. As we face your death and recall the week of your suffering, may we do so with a joy that anticipates the celebration of your resurrection;  
**may we do so with the confidence to turn to you in both life and death. Amen.**

### **\* Call to Worship**

*Jolene Schry*

Save us Lord!

**Hosanna!**

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

**Hosanna in the highest!**

### **\*Sung Response: GTG 197 “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”**

*Katy J., Carol W., Kim M., Kay M., Cantor*

**\*Call to Confession** (Based on Isa. 43:2)

*Jolene Schry*

When we pass through deep waters or go through times of fiery trial, the Lord our God is with us. With confidence in God, our creator and redeemer, let us confess our sin.

**\*Prayer of Confession**

*Jolene Schry*

Lord Jesus, we are a fickle people, quick to turn away. We are quick to flock to you when all is well, but we are prone to scatter when there is opposition or criticism. Too often we have kept silent before you, afraid to proclaim your praise. It is easy to join the crowd as you ride triumphantly into Jerusalem—singing our joys and expectations, dancing our hopes and dreams. It is far more difficult to stand by you as the crowd cries for your crucifixion. Forgive our weakness when we turn away.

*Silent Confession*

*(In the silence of our hearts we confess our sins to God.)*

Lord Jesus, hear our prayers and save us. **Strengthen us for the journey ahead as we relive your suffering and death, that we might stay beside you to the end. Give us the courage to shout our hosannas, not only today, but each and every day. Amen.**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

The Lord is our strength and might. Jesus is our salvation.

In Jesus our sins are forgiven.

**In Jesus our cries are answered, our salvation is at hand.**

**Blessed be the name of the Lord.**

**\*Sharing God's Peace**

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

May the peace of Christ fill you this day.

**Christ is the source of our joy and gladness.**

The Peace of Christ be with you!

**And also, with you!**

*(Please share the Peace of Christ with those around you using the ancient formula 'The Peace of Christ.' 'And also, with you.' Please be mindful of those who do not wish to shake hands or be too close.*

**\*Sung Response: GTG 582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"**

## **God's Word Is Proclaimed**

**Psalm Reading: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (Common English Bible)**

page 565 in the pew Bible (NRSV), page 767 (CEB)

Give thanks to the Lord because he is good,  
because his faithful love lasts forever.

**Let Israel say it:**

**“God's faithful love lasts forever!”**

Open the gates of righteousness for me  
so I can come in and give thanks to the Lord!

**This is the Lord's gate;  
those who are righteous enter through it.**

I thank you because you answered me,  
because you were my saving help.

**The stone rejected by the builders  
is now the main foundation stone!**

This has happened because of the Lord;  
it is astounding in our sight!

This is the day the Lord acted;  
we will rejoice and celebrate in it!

**Lord, please save us!**

**Lord, please let us succeed!**

The one who enters in the Lord's name is blessed;  
we bless all of you from the Lord's house.

**The Lord is God!**

**He has shined a light on us!**

So lead the festival offering with ropes  
all the way to the horns of the altar.

**You are my God—I will give thanks to you!**

**You are my God—I will lift you up high!**

**Give thanks to the Lord because he is good,  
because his faithful love lasts forever.**

## **Gospel Reading: Luke 19:28b-40 (Common English Bible)**

page 83 in the pew Bible (NRSV), page 1279 (CEB)

He (Jesus), continued on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

As Jesus came to Bethphage and Bethany on the Mount of Olives, he gave two disciples a task. He said, "Go into the village over there. When you enter it, you will find tied up there a colt that no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks, 'Why are you untying it?' just say, 'Its master needs it.'" Those who had been sent found it exactly as he had said.

As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

They replied, "Its master needs it." They brought it to Jesus, threw their clothes on the colt, and lifted Jesus onto it. As Jesus rode along, they spread their clothes on the road.

As Jesus approached the road leading down from the Mount of Olives, the whole throng of his disciples began rejoicing. They praised God with a loud voice because of all the mighty things they had seen. They said,

"Blessings on the king who comes in the name of the Lord.

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens."

Some of the Pharisees from the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, scold your disciples! Tell them to stop!"

He answered, "I tell you, if they were silent, the stones would shout."

**Children's Time**

*Jennifer Zander*

**Hymn: GTG 215** "What Wondrous Love is This"

**Sermon:** "Let God's Praise Be Heard"

*Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin*

## We Respond to God's Word

*In response to God's Word and remembering all things come from God, we offer with thanks a portion of that which God has entrusted to us. The ushers will collect God's tithes and our offerings. For those who have given in other forms, there are cards in the pew racks that you may use as a tangible act of thanks. No matter what is physically offered back to God, may we spiritually place our hearts, and our very lives, in God's hands, to be re-shaped to further God's kingdom here on earth.*

**Offering Music:** "All Glory Laud and Honor"      *arr. by Keith McChesney*  
*Handbell Choir*

**\*Offertory: GTG 647 "Give Thanks"**

### **\*Offertory Prayer**

#### **Prayers of the People**

|                               |                                   |                                  |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Anna J* (Katy J. mom)         | Pete D.                           | Pass Family                      |
| Arnold L.                     | <b>James P.*</b> (Ruth P. friend) | Pat D.                           |
| Bob & Ollive B.               | Jesse F.                          | Pat M.* (Bonnie H sister)        |
| Brian C.                      | Joan K.* (Marcus A. mom)          | Paul W.                          |
| Chastity G. & Joan S.         | Kathy A* (Kevin B sister)         | Qualine S.* (Jodi A mom)         |
| Corinne C.                    | Kathy G.                          | Rod M* (Mary/Dan R friend)       |
| Del C.                        | Liam A.                           | Sherry M.                        |
| Dick and Maryann*             | Lindsay* (Bill/Mary daughter)     | Steven B.* (Kevin B nephew)      |
| Elias B.* (Laurie C grandson) | Lynn M.                           | <b>Steve R.*</b> (Sue B brother) |
| <b>Ellen C.</b>               | Marie L.                          |                                  |
| Gib D.                        | Paige T.                          |                                  |

The names in **bold** are new to the prayer list. The names with an asterisk (\*) are not church members. However, a church member has received permission to ask that they be lifted in prayer. Prayer request cards are available in the Prayer Box in the Narthex, in the church pews, or online ([click here](#)). You can place your prayer request in the offering plate or the lock box at the church office door. For electronic prayer requests, please complete the form and click submit. If you have a pastoral concern, that happens before or after office hours, please call the office (920.922.0425), press #2 for Pastoral Care.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

**\*Sending Song: "How Great is Our God / How Great Thou Art"**

### **\*Charge and Benediction**

As we journey the events of this Holy Week, may we praise God before the world, bearing witness to the love and grace found in the cross of Jesus Christ. May the peace of God, that exceeds all understanding, keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen

**Postlude: "How Great is our God / How Great Thou Art (Reprise)"**



### **WEEKLY STATISTICS FOR APRIL 6, 2025**

Individuals in Person: 106

Zoom Households: 05

| <b><u>DATE</u></b> | <b><u>INCOME</u></b> | <b><u>NOTES</u></b>              |
|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 4/6/2025           | \$ 1512.00           | Tithes/Offerings                 |
|                    | \$ 60.00             | Special Offerings                |
| 3/31-4/8           | \$ 3781.00           | Vanco Online "Tithes/Offerings"  |
|                    | \$ 510.00            | Vanco Online "Special Offerings" |
|                    | <b>\$ 5863.00</b>    | <b>TOTAL INCOME FOR THE WEEK</b> |

### **Financial Giving and Gratitude**

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## **This Week**

### **Sunday**

9:00-10:00am  
10:15-11:15am  
10:15-11:15am  
11:20-12:00pm  
11:15-11:45am  
1:00-2:00pm

### **April 13**

Worship  
Fellowship Time  
Fish Derby Activities  
Choir Rehearsal Maundy Thursday through Easter  
PYA Summer Planning  
PYA at the Woodlands

### **Monday**

10:00-11:30am

### **April 14**

Staff Meeting

### **Wednesday**

8:00-9:00am  
5:00-6:00pm  
6:00-7:30pm

### **April 16**

Men's Breakfast  
Confirmation  
Learning Team Meeting

### **Thursday**

5:00-5:15pm  
6:15-6:45pm  
7:00-8:15pm

### **April 17**

Warming Shelter Meal  
Choir Rehearsal Maundy Thursday through Easter  
Maundy Thursday Worship with Communion

### **Saturday**

9:30-11:00am

### **April 19**

Easter Breakfast and Activities Set Up

### **Sunday**

7:45-8:45am  
9:00-10:00am  
10:15-10:45am

### **April 20 Easter Sunday**

Easter Breakfast  
Easter Morning Worship  
Easter Celebration Activities/Fellowship Time