

April 5, 2020

Palm Sunday

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Organ Prelude

Paul Mosteller

Variations on "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"
by Paul Manz

Preparing for Worship

Joel and Sara Burks

Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)
by Paul Baloché and Benton Brown
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Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You, we turn to You. Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You, we long for You. 'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day. In Your Presence all our fears are washed away, washed away.

REFRAIN: Hosanna, hosanna! You are the God who saves us, worthy of all our praises. Hosanna, hosanna! Come have Your way among us. We welcome You here, Lord Jesus.

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You, we turn to You. In Your Kingdom broken lives are made new. You make us new. 'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day. In Your Presence all our fears are washed away, washed away. **REFRAIN**

BRIDGE: 'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day. In Your Presence all our fears are washed away. 'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day. In Your Presence all our fears are washed away, washed away. **REFRAIN**

Opening Call to Worship

Mary Splawn

(Today we will utilize the Christ Candle in our service symbolizing our Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem thus opening our Holy Week services. The Christ Candle will be extinguished at the close of the Maundy Thursday service. It will emerge again lit and leading in Easter Sunday's procession symbolizing Christ's victory over death and His glorious resurrection.)

Hymn of Praise and Story

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

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.

From Olivet they followed among the joyful crowd; the victor palm branch waving, with singing clear and loud. The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, nor scorned that little children should on His bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” that ancient song we sing; for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King. O may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice, and in His blissful presence eternally rejoice!

Invocation Prayer and Welcome to Online Worshipers Ben Winder

Children’s Message Sharon Howard

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer Doug Dortch

Offertory Acknowledgement of a Time for Online Giving Ben Winder

The Reading of God’s Word Mary Splawn

Philippians 2:5-11

Message in Song Kely Hatley

Embrace the Cross

arr. Joseph Linn

Embrace the cross where Jesus suffered, though it will cost all you claim as yours. Your sacrifice will seem small beside the treasure; eternity can’t measure what Jesus holds in store. Embrace the love the cross requires; cling to the One whose heart knew every pain. Receive from Jesus fountains of compassion; only He can fashion your heart to move as His.

O wondrous cross, our desires rest in you. O Lord Jesus, make us bolder to face with courage the shame and disgrace You bore upon Your shoulder.

Embrace the life that comes from dying; come trace the steps the Savior walked for you. An empty tomb concludes Golgotha’s sorrow. Endure then, till tomorrow your cross of suffering. Embrace the cross. Embrace the cross, the wondrous cross, the cross of Jesus.

Affirmation of Our Faith

Ben Winder

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only begotten Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. The third day He rose from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and now sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whom He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection, and everlasting life. Amen.

Message

Doug Dortch

“God’s Answer”

Psalm 118:19-21

Closing Words to Online Worshipers

Doug Dortch

Closing Song

Ensemble

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

by William G. Tomer

God be with you till we meet again! By His counsels guide, uphold you. With His sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again! Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus’ feet. Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again!

Organ Postlude

Paul Mosteller

Christ Lay in the Bonds of Death

by Georg Böhm

The flowers on the altar have been given by the family of Dolores Taylor in loving honor of a life well-lived, and her 90th birthday on April 9 (Proverbs 31:28).

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