

Palm Sunday

April 10, 2022 Trinity Presbyterian Church Topeka, KS

Pre-Service Music

"This is The Day" Les Garret Jaron Marcus, Piano

GATHERING

We gather as the Body of Christ to encounter God in worship.

Prelude

"He Has Made Me Glad" Leona Von Brethorst Jaron Marcus, Piano

CENTERING WORDS

The events of Holy Week make up the central story of our faith. Can we see the suffering of others in our world in the passion of Jesus?

Welcome and Announcements

Marvin Burris

Introit

"Hosanna!" from At the Ninth Hour Allen Pote Heritage Choir/Jaron Marcus, Piano

Responsive Call to Worship

Congregation

Our king has come riding on a donkey.

Hosanna in the highest!

Our savior has come to waving palms and cheers of praise.

Shout alleluia!

Jesus has come to show us the greatness of God's love.

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

Prayer of the Day

Proclamation of the Entrance into Jerusalem

Luke 19: 28-40

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here.

If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it."

So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them.

As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?'

They said, 'The Lord needs it.'

Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it.

As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road.

As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!'

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.'

He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

*Hymn No. 196

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor" Handbell Choir/Brad Stipcak, Organ

During the singing of the opening hymn, you are invited to join Pastor Meredith in a Parade of Palms around the sanctuary. You are also welcome to wave your palms in your pew.

THE WORD

The Word of God in scripture and interpreted in proclamation is the center of worship.

Sermon on the Steps

Jenny Lee

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson CEB Phillipians 2: 5-11

Adopt the attitude that was in Christ Jesus: Though he was in the form of God,

he did not consider being equal with God something to exploit. But he emptied himself by taking the form of a s lave and by becoming like human beings. When he found himself in the form of a human, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore, God highly honored him and gave him a name above all names, so that at the name of Jesus everyone in heaven, on earth, and under the earth might bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

People: Thanks be to God

Reflection

"God Moves To the Cross" Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

Second Lesson

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, According to St. Luke

Silent Reflection

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

We respond to the Word of God in prayer and by offering ourselves and our substance.

*Hymn No. 198

"Ride On! Ride On in Majesty" Choir sings First Verse Jaron Marcus, Piano

Congregation

*Affirmation of Faith Confession of the Belhar We believe ...

that God wishes to teach the church what is good and to seek the right.

We believe ... that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need,

which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

We believe ...

that the church as the possession of God must stand where the Lord stands, namely against injustice and with the wronged.

We believe ... that in following Christ the church must witness against all the powerful and privileged who selfishly seek their own interests and thus control and harm others.

Therefore ... we reject any ideology which would legitimate forms of injustice and any doctrine which is unwilling to resist such an ideology in the name of the gospel.

Prayers of the People

Responsive

Let us remember Jesus:

Who, though he was rich,

for our sakes became poor and dwelt among us;

Who was content to be the child of a poor family;

Who lived the common life, earning his living with his own hands and declining no humble tasks;

Whom the common people heard gladly, for he understood their ways.

Let us remember Jesus:

Who was mighty in deed, healing the sick and afflicted, using for others the powers he would not invoke for himself; Who was master and Lord to his disciples, yet was among them as their Companion and as one who served.

Let us remember Jesus:

Who loved people, yet retired from them to pray, rose a great while before day,

watched through the night, stayed in the wilderness, went up into a mountain, sought out a garden;

Who prayed for his tempted disciple, and for the forgiveness of all who rejected him, and for the perfecting of those who received him; Who observed good customs, but defied conventions that did not serve the purposes of God. Who hated sin because he knew the cost of pride and selfishness, of cruelty and impurity—the cost to humanity and to God. May this mind be in us which was in Christ Jesus.

Let us remember Jesus:

Who, when he was reviled, did not retaliate, and when he suffered did not threaten; who emptied himself and carried obedience to the point of death, even death on the cross.

May this mind be in us which was in Christ Jesus.

Let us pray for Christ to dwell within our hearts.

O Christ, our only Savior,
so come to dwell in us
that we may go forth with the light of your hope in our eyes,
and with your faith and love in our hearts. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory "Scriptural Reflection: Matthew 11:28"

Fenton Groden Brad Stipcak, Organ

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Congregation

*Doxology Hymn No. 607

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.

^{*}Prayer of Dedication

SENDING FORTH

Worship equips us to go forth to serve God in the world.

*Sending Hymn No. 212 vs. 1,2,4

"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" Jaron Marcus, Piano

*Charge and Blessing

*Sung Response GTG 701

"Lord, Prepare Me" Jaron Marcus, Piano

*Postlude

"He is Exalted" Twila Paris Jaron Marcus, Piano

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Participating in Worship Leadership: Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan, Presider Marvin Burris, Liturgist Sermon on the Steps, Jenny Lee Brad Stipcak, Dir. of Music, Organ Jaron Marcus, Piano Peter Sandquist, Audio/Visual Matt Blum, Audio/Visual

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