



Palm Sunday

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"Humble King"

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As We Gather

Holy Week is full of contrasts. Today, we recall Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, with its pomp and pageantry. Then we plunge into the Passion on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, which ends with Jesus' burial. There is a unifying factor: On Sunday, the crowds hailed Jesus as the King of Israel, and on Friday He reigned from His cruel throne, the cross. There He destroyed death for the sake of His Subjects. We offer thanksgiving for His royal, benevolent rule over us and all who bend the knee and call Jesus Lord.

Opening Hymn – 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 Should 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!

Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C Amen.**

P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. **C Hosanna to the Son of David.**

Collect of the Day (short prayer before hearing the Word)

P *Let us pray.* Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City,

C grant that we may hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life;

P through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **C Amen**

Psalm Psalm 118:19-26; antiphon: vv. 25-26

P Hosanna!

C Hosanna! Save us, we pray O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!

P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!

C We bless You from the house of the LORD.

P Open to me the gates of righteousness,

C that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

P This is the gate of the LORD;

C the righteous shall enter through it.

P I thank You that You have answered me

C and have become my salvation.

P The stone that the builders rejected

C has become the cornerstone.

P This is the LORDS'S doing;

C it is marvelous in our eyes.

P This is the day that the LORD has made;

C let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P Hosanna!

C Hosanna! Save us, we pray, O LORD!

P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!

C We bless You from the house of the LORD.

Confession and Absolution

P We cannot come closer to God as we are. It is only through the gracious forgiveness Christ won for us that we are considered righteous under God's Law. Let us confess our sins, pleading, "Lord, have mercy" and "Save us, O Lord."

Silence for reflection on God's Word and our sinful condition.

P Father in heaven, David thanked You for answering him and becoming his salvation.

C Your SON humbled Himself and became a human being to die in our place. But we confess that in our disobedience we have sinned in thought, word, and deed. Lord, have mercy.

P He was obedient to death and took our sins with Him to the cross. You have exalted Him, that every knee should bow.

C We confess that without Your help we are bound to continue in sin as Your rebellious children. Hosanna! Save us, O Lord!

P For Jesus' sake, our gracious God has given us His Son's own righteousness. The stone the builders rejected has become our salvation. 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.

C Amen.

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P *Let us pray.* Almighty and everlasting God. You sent Your Son, our savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross.

C Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection;

P through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Readings From Holy Scripture

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹Rejoice 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. ¹⁰I 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. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

A This is the Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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Holy Gospel

John 12:20-43

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. ²¹So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²²Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶If 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. ²⁷"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. ²⁸Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." ³³He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. ³⁴So 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?" ³⁵So 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. ³⁶While 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. ³⁷Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, ³⁸so 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?" ³⁹Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said, ⁴⁰"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." ⁴¹Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him. ⁴²Nevertheless, 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; ⁴³for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

A This is the Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you O Christ.

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, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will 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 of the body, and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen

Sermon Hymn – Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

LSB 441 vv. 1,2, & 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.
- 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.

Sermon – "Humble King"

Zechariah 9:9-12

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the people of God here and around the world and for all people in their various needs. Lord Jesus, although their Lord, at table You taught Your disciples the nature of true servanthood. Guide and direct all who work in healing professions, in police departments and armed forces, in all levels of government, and in the cultivation and distribution of crops, that they see themselves as Your servants for the common good and be given the wisdom and guidance they need. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord Jesus, although Peter spoke confidently, You knew that in weakness he would deny you; yet You said he would turn and strengthen his brothers. Strengthen all whose faith is weak, those who face this day burdened by their past errors, and all who cannot comprehend the depth of Your love, that they realize and rejoice in the forgiveness You so feely offer. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P In the garden, although You prayed in anguish, You asked that the Father's will be done. [We remember before You especially . . .] Grant courage to them and all who struggle with sudden crisis or long-term illness, all who are near death, and all who languish, unjustly imprisoned or discriminated against, that they rely on Your gracious plans. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P On the cross, although facing death Yourself, You promised paradise to a criminal and proclaimed the payment for our sins finished. Grant that Your Holy Spirit open the ears of those who have not heard the Gospel in terms they can understand and believe, that they rejoice with us in the forgiveness of sins and the paradise that awaits all who rely on Your grace and love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P At the end, although You could not do anything physically, You committed Your spirit to the Father. Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **C Amen.**

Closing Hymn – All Glory, Laud, and Honor

LSB 442 vv. 1, 4, & 5

- ref All glory, laud, and honor To You, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.
- 1 You are the King of Israel And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming, Our King and Blessèd One. Refrain
- 4 To You before Your passion They sang their hymns of praise;
To You, now high exalted, Our melody we raise. Refrain
- 5 As You received their praises, Accept the prayers we bring,
O Source of ev'ry blessing, Our good and gracious King. Refrain

After the closing hymn please be seated for information regarding our life together in support of our mission to enrich lives by sharing the loving word and ways of Jesus.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summary Calendar For The Week of March 28, 2021 (Full calendar available at www.immanuelssandy.com and in Messenger)		
Date	Activity	Time
Sunday 28th	Worship in-person/zoom.us ID 973 8055 2626 pwd: 193306 Leadership Council Meeting	10:00 AM 11:15 AM
Wednesday 31 st	Women's Study zoom.us ID: 973 8055 2626 Pass 193306	10:30 – Noon
Thursday 1 st	Maundy Thursday Service in person or zoom.us ID 973 8055 2626 pwd: 193306	6:00 PM
Friday 2 nd	Good Friday Service in person or zoom.us ID 973 8055 2626 pwd: 193306	6:00 PM
Sunday 4 th	Easter Service in-person zoom.us ID 973 8055 2626 pwd: 193306	10:00AM

"Reopening" – Clackamas County is currently in the "Moderate Risk" category. What this means for church's is a cap of 50% indoor occupancy or 150 people total, whichever is smaller. Please wear a mask and follow social distancing guidelines. Thank you for your patience and steadfast faithfulness in our Lord's mission here at Immanuel in Sandy! Any questions, concerns, conversation please reach out to an Elder.

Call Committee - The Call Committee has completed their task of completing the call survey. It is now going to be presented to Council, and Pastor Keil, for review and submission to the District. We are taking nominations, for those that wish to nominate a candidate, on the following Sundays: March 21 & 28. Please contact Dwight Reigert with anyone you are nominating. Those names will also be submitted to the Council and ultimately to the District. Dwight's email= rdwight@gmail.com Home phone: 503-663-0567