

First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM Worship Service

Call to Worship: *based on Revelation 7:9-12*

Behold a great multitude of people stood before the throne and the Lamb, with palm branches in their hands, crying out in loud voices,

“Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

And the angels were standing around the throne, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever!”

God’s Greeting

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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 ‘mid an exultant crowd,
The victory 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.

“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.

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Palm Sunday Procession and Praise: *Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelu, Praise Ye the Lord; This is Our God*

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
You are the King of Israel and David’s royal Son,
Now in the Lord’s name coming, the King and Blessed One.

The company of angels is praising you on high;
And we with all creation in chorus make reply.
The people of the Hebrews with palms before you went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems before you we present.

To you before your passion they sang their hymns of praise;
To you, now high exalted, our melody we raise.
As you received their praises, accept the prayers we bring,
For you delight in goodness, O good and gracious King!

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Lent Reading

His Robes for Mine

His robes for mine: O wonderful exchange!
Clothed in my sin, Christ suffered ‘neath God’s rage.
Draped in His righteousness, I’m justified.
In Christ I live, for in my place He died.

Refrain: I cling to Christ, and marvel at the cost: Jesus forsaken, God estranged from God.
Bought by such love, my life is not my own; my praise, my all, shall be for Christ alone.

His robes for mine: God’s justice is appeased.
Jesus is crushed, and thus the Father’s pleased.
Christ drank God’s wrath on sin, then cried “Tis done!”
Sin’s wage is paid; propitiation won. *Refrain*

(His Robes for Mine words Chris Anderson, music, Greg Habegger © 2008 churchworksmidia.com. CCLI #358926, Streaming #20317932)

Offertory Prayer

Offering: Ken & Chris, Wycliffe

Morning Prayer

O Mighty Cross

O mighty cross, love lifted high, the Lord of life raised there to die;
His sacrifice on Calvary has made the mighty cross a tree of life to me.

O mighty cross, what throne of grace, He knew no sin, yet took my place;
His sacrifice on Calvary has made the mighty cross a tree of life to me.

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Scripture: *John 19:38-42*

³⁸ After these things Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away his body. ³⁹ Nicodemus also, who earlier had come to Jesus by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds in weight. ⁴⁰ So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews.

⁴¹ Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid. ⁴² So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, since the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *Death and Burial, Witness to the Resurrection*

Hallelujah for the Cross

Up to the hill of Calvary, my Savior went courageously.
And there He bled and died for me, Hallelujah for the cross.
And on the day the world was changed, a final perfect Lamb was slain.
Let earth and heaven now proclaim, Hallelujah for the cross.

Refrain: Hallelujah for the war He fought. Love has won, death has lost.
Hallelujah for the souls He bought. Hallelujah for the cross.

What good I've done could never save, my debt too great for deeds to pay.
But God, my Savior made a way, Hallelujah for the cross.
A slave to sin, my life was bound. But all my chains fell to the ground
When Jesus' blood came flowing down. Hallelujah for the cross. *Refrain*

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God's Blessing

The King of Glory Comes

Refrain: The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices.
Open the gates before him, lift up your voices.

Who is the King of glory? What shall we call him?
He is Immanuel, the promised of ages. *Refrain*

He gave his life for us, the pledge of salvation;
He took upon himself the sin of the nations. *Refrain*

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Pastor: Robert W
Prayer: Paul A, Roger P
Music: Valerie A, Jack P, Brian K, Ken Q, Lisa Q

Readers: Bill & Melissa N

Offering will be received for Ken & Chris, with Wycliffe Bible Translators, where Chris serves in member care.
Nursery is available with a paging system for children under 3 years during worship service in the Education Building.
Children's Church is available for children 3 years – 3rd grade. Children are dismissed to the Education Building during the service.
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