Palm Sunday

First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, Washington

April 13, 2025 ~ 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: Psalm 118:26-28

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. From the house of the LORD we bless you.

The LORD is God.

and he has made his light shine on us.

With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.

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.

Palm Sunday Procession and Praise

Hosanna (Praise is Rising) 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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Lenten Reading: *Isaiah 61:1-3*

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*

Offertory Prayer

Offering: Lighthouse Mission Ministries

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: Mark 11:1-11

¹ Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples ² and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. ³ If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" ⁴ And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. ⁵ And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶ And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. ⁷ And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. ⁸ And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. ⁹ And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰ Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!" ¹¹ And he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. And when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message: The Not So Triumphal Entry

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*

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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