

Boulder, Colorado  
Downtown Churches  
An Ecumenical Service



*Entry of Christ into Jerusalem, by Wilhelm Morgner*

Palm Sunday Procession  
April 2, 2023

# The Liturgy of the Palms

## Prelude

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*  
Andrew Halladay, St. John's Episcopal

## Welcome

Rev. Stephanie Kopsch  
St. John's Episcopal Church

## Choral Introit "Hosanna!"

Performed by the Combined Choirs of the Downtown Churches

## Opening Prayer

Rev. Mike Mather  
First United Methodist Church

*Celebrant:* Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord

*People:* Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Matthew 21:1-11

Rev. Christina Braudaway-Bauman  
First Congregational Church

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

## **Prayers**

Rev. Andrew Daugherty  
Pine Street Baptist Church

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***People:* It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. (Wave palm branches in the air.)

Rev. William Forsythe  
All Souls Church

Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King; and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

## **Children’s Procession**

*(Children are invited to assemble at the NW corner of 15th and Pine. They will then process behind the donkey waving their palm fronds as they head west on Pine Street to the intersection of 14th and Pine. There the procession will turn 180 degrees and head back east on Pine to the intersection of 15th and Pine. The rest of the congregants are asked to line Pine street and wave their palm fronds and sing the hymn while the procession is taking place. When the hymn is finished, the celebrant will dismiss the people who will then proceed to their respective churches.)*

## **Hymn \***

*All Glory Laud and Honor*

*\*The hymn can be found on the back page*

# Blessing and Dismissal

Rev. Pam Challis  
Trinity Lutheran Church

*Celebrant:* Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

*People:* Hosanna in the highest.

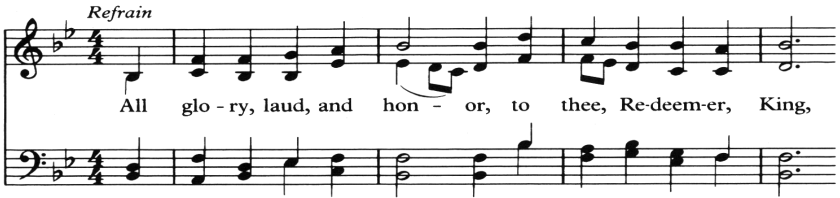
*Celebrant:* Let us go forth in peace.

*People:* In the name of Christ. Amen.

CHRIST'S GRACIOUS LIFE

## 280 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*Refrain*

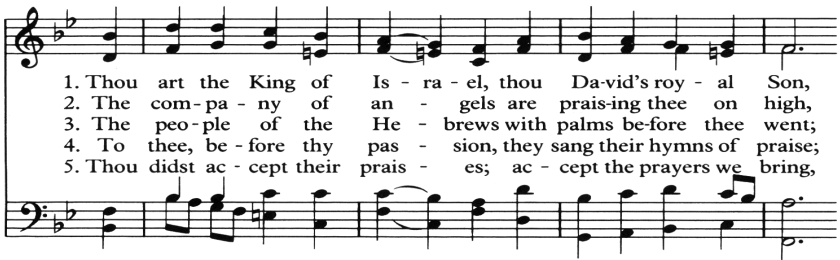


All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or, to thee, Re-deem-er, King,

*Fine*

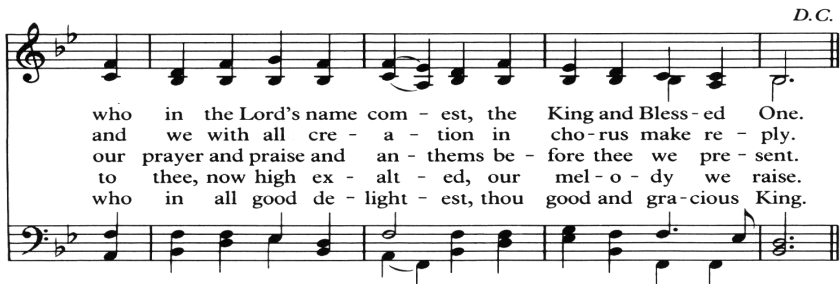


to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1. Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da-vid's roy - al Son,  
2. The com-pa - ny of an - gels are prais-ing thee on high,  
3. The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be-fore thee went;  
4. To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;  
5. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*D.C.*



who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.  
and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.  
our prayer and praise and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.  
to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.  
who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.