

Order of the Worship Service
April 13, 2025, 10:00am
Palm Sunday
John Welton, preaching

Prelude

Choral Prelude

RIDE ON, RIDE ON IN MAJESTY!

*Call To Worship

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good! God's steadfast love endures forever!

All: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest!

One: Shout Hosanna, for the Lord is coming! Line the festival road with waving branches!

All: We wave palm branches, praying and praising as we walk God's way.

*Opening Hymn 45

HOSANNA

(The Congregation is invited to wave their palms and join in the procession around the sanctuary)

Prayer of Confession (in Unison)

Blessed Christ. you pave the way to the kingdom, but we prefer to stub our toes on the potholed roads of temptation. You will touch the cup of grace to our parched lips, but we seem to hunger for the ashy taste of bitterness. You beg us to learn the songs of salvation, but we hum along with the chorus death plays in the background of our lives. Have mercy upon us, God of Holiness. As you come to us, you bring healing for our brokenness, peace for our troubled lives, hope for our doubting minds. May we empty ourselves of everything which keeps us from following you, so we may receive these gifts, and more, from Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Moments of Silence

Assurance of Pardon

One: The grace of God is always doing a new thing—whether we are prepared, or worthy, or not. Let yourself live and believe this good news:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen

*Passing the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you!

All: And also with you!

Sung Response. Hymn 81 verse 4

LORD, WHO THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS

Moment for Children

Giving of our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

*Hymn of Preparation 89

HOSANNA, LOUD HOSANNA

Reading

Luke 19:28-48

Sermon

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*Closing Hymn 88

ALL GLORY LAUD AND HONOR

Blessing