



We invite you to join us online (www.westmarketchurch.org) or by radio ([WPET 950 AM](#) & [92.7 FM](#)) to participate in worship this Sunday.

Below you will find the bulletin for the 11:00 a.m. service for the Passion/Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024.

We come as Christ's body to honor God's presence together.

We come to share faith, hope, and love with one another.

We come to proclaim and to hear "God is with us! Thanks be to God!"

~Pastors Otto and Jeremy



March 24, 2024

Passion/Palm Sunday

11:00 a.m.

Silent Meditation

*"Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer, the lord of heaven our King.*

Jeanette Threlfall from the hymn "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

GATHERING

WELCOME: Join us out front on the brick plaza for a processional with palms.

† CALL TO WORSHIP:

We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.
We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips;
we will travel through betrayal and death, cradling hope deep in our hearts.
Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow,
for he is the life we long for; he is the Word who sustains us.
We wave palm branches in anticipation; we lay our love before him, to cushion his walk.
Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes:
modeling humility and obedience for all of us.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God.

Written by Thom Shuman

ENTRANCE

† PROCESSIONAL HYMN: “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” ST. THEODULPH Arr. Cynthia Dobrinski
Please join the handbells and choir in singing as directed.

1. All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One.
2. The company of angels are praising thee on high, and mortal men and all things created make reply. The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present.
3. To thee, before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise; to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, 8-9th century; translated by John Mason Neale, 1851

† COLLECT:

With great joy we welcome you, Lord Jesus!
The journey has been long and we have longed to enter the Holy City...
Open our hearts today to hear your words, as we sing praise to you.
Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord's Name. Amen.

Nancy C. Townley, ordained elder in the United Methodist Church

† GLORIA PATRI: No. 70

MEINEKE

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

Text: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th century

PROCLAMATION

MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN: *Please join us in singing after the Children's Message*

No. 277, v.3

"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

STORIES OF JESUS

**Into the city I'd follow the children's band,
waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand;
one of his heralds, yes, I would sing loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King!"**

Text: William H. Parker, 1885

LESSON FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURE: Mark 11:1-11 (NRSVue)

Reader: Eileen Porter

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this: 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.' " They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said, and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" Then 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.

The Word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God

SERMON:

"Loud Hosanna"

The Reverend Dr. Otto Harris

RESPONSE

RESPONSIVE ANTHEM:

"Hosanna in the Highest"

Craig Courtney

MarketBell Ringers and Chancel Choir

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Holy, holy, holy Lord...

Blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest...Hosanna in the highest!

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† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

**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, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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. Amen.

THANKSGIVING TO GOD THROUGH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

“Ride On, King Jesus”
The MarketBell Ringers

arr. Valerie Stephenson

† A LENTEN DOXOLOGY:

“Praise God Throughout These Forty Days

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*Praise God throughout these forty days. Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.
And praise the Spirit who imparts God's love in Christ throughout our hearts. Amen.*

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† OFFERING PRAYER

SENDING FORTH

† HYMN OF DEDICATION: No. 278

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

ELLACOMBE

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 heaven our King. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

Text: Jeanette Threlfall, 1873

† BENEDICTION

† BENEDICTION RESPONSE: No. 673, v.1 “God Be with You till We Meet Again”

RANDOLPH

God be with you till we meet again;
by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Text: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1880

POSTLUDE:

“Prelude, Fugue, and Chaconne in C Major, BuxWV 137”

Dieterich Buxtehude

***Our Service of Worship is ended.
Let our worship through service begin.***

†Please stand as you are able.

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