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PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 5, 2020

Welcome to Worship! How many times have you wished for a new beginning? Something went wrong in your life and now you'd like to start from scratch. Today, as we begin Holy Week, we hear about a new beginning that God offered to the people of Israel and offers to us! This new beginning began with a donkey ride into Jerusalem and led to a bloody cross. But through that journey we can all have a new beginning.

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THE	PRELUDE: "Hosanna" – Everett Titcomb	
THE ref	OPENING HYMN: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" All glory, laud, and honor To You, Redeemer, King, To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.	<u>Hymn 442</u>
1	You are the King of Israel And David's royal Son, Now in the Lord's name coming, Our King and Blessèd One. Refrain	
2	The company of angels Is praising You on high, And we with all creation In chorus make reply. Refrain	
3	The multitude of pilgrims With palms before You went; Our praise and prayer and anthems Before You we present. Refrain	
4	To You before Your passion They sang their hymns of praise; To You, now high exalted, Our melody we raise. Refrain	
5	As You received their praises, Accept the prayers we bring, O Source of ev'ry blessing, Our good and gracious King. Refrain	

THE INVOCATION, CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION, Page 184 **Invocation**

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Confession of Sins

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

THE LENTEN CROSS HYMN: "Jesus, I Will Ponder Now" Hymn 440, vs. 6

Graciously my faith renew; Help me bear my crosses, Learning humbleness from You, Peace mid pain and losses. May I give You love for love! Hear me, O my Savior, That I may in heav'n above Sing Your praise forever.

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY: (We pray together)

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD OF THE MONTH: (We speak together)

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Colossians 3:1

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 34:1-8

The LORD said to Moses, "Cut for yourself two tablets of stone like the first, and I will write on the tablets the words that were on the first tablets, which you broke. Be ready by the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai, and present yourself there to me on the top of the mountain. No one shall come up with you, and let no one be seen throughout all the mountain. Let no flocks or herds graze opposite that mountain." So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the first. And he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand two tablets of stone. The LORD descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD. The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation." And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth and worshiped.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE HYMN: "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.
 O Savior meek, pursue Thy road,
 With palms and scattered garments strowed.

Hymn 441

- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 In lowly pomp ride on to die.
 O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin
 O'er captive death and conquered sin.
- Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 The angel armies of the sky
 Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes
 To see the_approaching sacrifice.
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh.
 The Father on His sapphire throne
 Awaits His own anointed Son.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 In lowly pomp ride on to die.
 Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
 Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

THE EPISTLE READING: Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

THE GOSPEL: John 12:12-36 C: (Sing) Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to

bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. 19So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him." Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him. "Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light." When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: (sing) Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

+++ THE APOSTLES' CREED (pg. 192)
C 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, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE HYMN: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

<u>Hymn 809</u>

- Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
 Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not; As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be. Refrain
- ref Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed Thy hand hath provided; Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!
- Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
 Join with all nature in manifold witness
 To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Refrain
- Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
 Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Refrain
- THE SERMON: "New Beginnings"

THE OFFERING

THE MUSICAL OFFERING: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" - J.S. Bach

THE PRAYERS

(after each petition P: Lord, in Your mercy... C: Hear our prayer.)

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 and ever. Amen.

THE SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And with thy spirit.
- A Bless we the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

THE BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C Amen.

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THE CLOSING HYMN: "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.

Hymn 443

- 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 heav'n our King.
 Oh, may we ever praise Him With heart and life and voice And in His blissful presence Eternally rejoice!

THE POSTLUDE: "Ride On, Ride On, In Majesty" – David Schack
 Preacher: Pastor Rodriguez Liturgists: Pastor Bloch and Vicar Ronchetto
 Lector: Pastor Blomenberg Organist: Mr. Paul Scheiderer

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