

Scripture Readings

Proverbs 1:20-33

LG. PRINT #985/ pew #449

LG. PRINT/NEW ED. #932

Matthew 23:29-39

LG. PRINT #1537/ pew #700

Leader: The Word of the Lord ~

LG. PRINT/NEW ED. #1509

People: Thanks be to God ~

Sermon

‘Not Me!’

Rev. Mark Simonds

Pastoral Prayer and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.”

Offertory

‘Grace Greater Than Our Sin’

~ Towner

***Doxology** Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Dedication of Offering**

***Dismissing Hymn No. 173**

‘All Glory, Laud and Honor’

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response No. 186**

‘The Old Rugged Cross’

(refrain)

Postlude

‘Alleluia!’

~ Beethoven

*We’re glad you joined us for worship today! Thank you for placing the Bibles,
hymnals and attendance books back on the chairs.*

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“Join us for a drink of Living Water”

April 13, 2025
Palm Sunday

We welcome you to the worship of God Almighty this Lord's Day. It is our intention to bring glory and honor to Him. God enters our time of worship and we remember this time belongs to Him. Your Worship Commission

**Please stand, if you are able.*

Nursery for children infant to 4 yrs. old is available upstairs in the Christian Education Wing (please see Usher for directions)

Meditation

“For I tell you, you will not see me again, until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.’” ~ Matthew 23:39 (ESV)

Westminster Chimes and Announcements

(During announcements, we ask members and visitors to please sign the Friendship Register and pass it on. Send them back down your row so you can note who is worshipping with you today. We invite visitors to give us your complete address.)

Opening Prayer

Prelude ‘The Palms’ ~ Faure

Scripture Reading Matthew 21:1-16

***Hymn No. 174** ‘Hosanna, Loud Hosanna’

***Call to Worship** (Psalm 118:15-29) Wade Rider, Lay Assistant

Leader: Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous:

Congregation: “The LORD’s right hand has done mighty things! The LORD’s right hand is lifted high; the LORD’s right hand has done mighty things!” I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

Leader: The LORD has chastened me severely, but he has not given me over to death. Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.

Congregation: This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter. I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;

Leader: the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

Congregation: LORD, save us! LORD, grant us success! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. From the house of the LORD we bless you.

Leader: 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.

Congregation: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Anthem ‘Let Loud Hosannas Ring’ ~ Drennan

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

O Lord our God, We cry out to you, “Hosanna! Save us Lord!” We look at our world with its sins, its abuses of people and power, its hatreds, fears and divisions; and these breed in us our own hatreds fears and divisions. Looking for answers we take the path that seems best to us, believing that we do not have the time to seek your will. But your Word calls us to look to you for salvation. So we confess our sins to you and seek your forgiveness and you Holy Spirit's power to save us. We thank you that you sent your Son, Jesus Christ to die for our sins so that through faith in Him, His death, and His resurrection, we may have all you have promised. Amen. . . (silent prayers of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Congregation Response: Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri**

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

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostle’s Creed

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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