



Palm  
Sunday

**Sunday, April 13, 2025**



\*Indicates standing if you are able  
B = Black Hymnal R=Red Hymnal

**Prelude** *What Wondrous Love is This*

Trad.

**Welcome/Announcements**

**Gathering Music:** *Hosanna*

**Call To Worship**

One: The Ways of Love are mightier than death-dealing systems

**All: Hosanna to the Living God!**

One: God's presence is steadfast and stubborn like a donkey

**All: Hosanna to the Living God!**

One: God's spirit is refreshing like the breeze from palm  
branches

**All: Hosanna to the Living God!**

One: When our souls are weary, hope rides into town, turning  
empire upside-down

**All: Hosanna to the Living God!**

One: Holiness lives through those who have solidarity and  
compassion

**All: Hosanna to the Living God!**

**Opening Prayer** (together)

**Jesus—teacher who is with us—this week, as we honor the story of your last week on the earthly plane. May we be like you in your life: protecting the immigrant, honoring the humanity of children, abiding the wisdom of women, attending to those without access to healthcare, and aligning with those cast-off by cruel systems. May your legacy reverberate in our own lives, connecting with compassionate works of people of all spiritualities and philosophies. Amidst the heartbreak of the world, may this network of love bring forth new life. Amen.**

**\*Hymn #132 (centerfold) *Pave the Way with Justice***

**A Time for Children of All Ages** (distribution of palms)

**Prayer for Transformation/Words of Assurance**

**Passing the Peace of Christ**

One: May the peace of Christ be with you,

**All: And also with you.**

**Scripture Reading** Matthew 21:1-11

**Sermon** Who is this?

**\*Hymn #172(centerfold) *Hosanna!***

**The Church at Prayer**

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

**Our Personal Prayers in Silence**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord's Prayer** (Most in our congregation use "B" on page 9 in the black hymnal. Use the words that work best for you).

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**Prayer Response** *O Mighty Cross*

**A Time of Offering**

**Invitation**

**Offertory Anthem: *Sing Hosanna! Praise the Lord and King***

By Patrick Liebergen

**\*Doxology *Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow***

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God above your heavenly hosts.

All Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

(order of service continued after hymns)

**\*Prayer of Dedication (together)**

**Loving God, forgive us for when we , like Jesus' friend, betray each other—choosing shallow convenience over fierce compassion. Aligning with the oppressor instead of following You, God of the Oppressed. Take our gathered gifts and bless them to your Kin-dom, where devoted friendship and tenderness guide the way. Amen.**

**Sacrament of Communion**

**Invitation**

**One: The Holy One be with you.**

**All: And also with you.**

**One: Open your hearts to the One who is Love.**

**All: We open our hearts to you, O God.**

**One: Let us give thanks to God, who gathers us together**

**All: To the One who welcomes us to the table, we give thanks and praise**

**Words of Institution**

**Sharing the Elements**

**Communion Music: *I Need Thee Every Hour* arr. Labenske**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Holy and loving God, as we wave palms and remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, we are reminded of your promise of hope and renewal. Thank you, O God, for meeting us at this table. We are grateful for Jesus' example of peace and justice, showing us a way of service over power, love over hatred, and courage over fear. May we carry this spirit forward, living as Christ lived. Hosanna, God, save us—not with ease or riches, but by transforming our hearts. Guide us to be instruments of your love and peace. With palms raised and hearts full of praise, we bless your holy name. Amen.**

**Hymn B-216 *All Glory Laud and Honor***

## Benediction

Postlude *Ride On! Ride On in Majesty*

Trad.

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Please stay for fellowship following the service.

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**Have a prayer request?  
Please contact Mary Jensen to add it to the prayer chain at [mejensen7@verizon.net](mailto:mejensen7@verizon.net)**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **M&M's (Monday Morning Group)**

Join us from 10am -Noon in the parlor. Bring your handwork or just come to socialize, we'd love to see you there!

### **Pastoral Emergencies**

If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Pastor James via phone  
Call or text (774)-993-9407

### **!Last Day for Tulip & Lily orders is **TODAY!****

Be sure to place your order forms in the offering plate or leave a phone message for Laura in the office.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, April 13**



10:00 am ~ Worship

**Monday, April 14**

10:00 am – 12:00 pm ~ M&Ms

**Thursday, April 17**



6:00pm Dinner Service  
Meets in Fellowship Hall

**Friday, April 18**



7:00pm ~ Contemplative Service

**Sunday, April 20**



6:30am ~ Outdoor Sunrise Service  
7:00am ~ Breakfast  
10:00 am ~ Worship



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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Saturday, April 26**

7:00pm ~ Talent Show

**Saturday, May 3**

6:00pm ~ Community Dinner & Movie

**Saturday, May 10**

Kay Renolds Event ~ **Postponed**

**Saturday, May 17**

9:00am-2:00pm ~ Electronics Recycling Day

**Saturday, May 31**

6:00pm ~ Authentic Italian Night

**Sunday, June 22**

12:00pm-5:00pm ~ Millis Pride Bazaar  
Front Lawn