



Palm Sunday  
April 13, 2025



### Gathering

Gathering Music (Prelude)

The Christ Light Enters

Words of Welcome and Threshold Moment

### Call to Worship

On this day, Jesus marched

in between the city walls and the Temple,  
in between joyful Hosannas and doubtful whispers,  
in between oppressive poverty and greedy power,  
in between rampant fear and hope unfurled.

On this day, Jesus marched

in between what had been and what could be.

So may we meet Christ in that liminal space.

May we lay down our coats in that messy middle.

Hosanna in the highest!

Hosanna in between!

Opening Song | Hosanna, Loud Hosanna, 278 UMH

Prayers of the People + The Prayer Jesus Taught (Words on Screen)

The Word in Music (Anthem)

A Child Will Lead Them (Children's time with the pastor)

### We Listen for God's Voice

### Call to confession

### Prayer of confession

Great Creator, forgive me

when I speak before listening,

when I speak over my neighbor,

when I speak with barbed words.

Creator God, forgive me  
when I listen to society,  
when I listen to my friends,  
when I listen to the news,  
but I do not listen to you.

Creator God, forgive me  
when I shout out, but do not shout your name,  
when I listen, but do not listen for your voice.  
Forgive me.

Create in me a heart like yours.  
Amen.

### Words of Forgiveness

Friends, whether or not you stuck to your Lenten goals this year,  
whether or not this is your first time in church or your thousandth  
time,  
whether or not you know to speak to God or listen for God's voice,  
God listens to you.  
God is merciful.  
God is abounding in steadfast love.

There is nothing you could do or leave undone that could keep God  
from loving you.

So hear and believe the good news of the gospel:

**We are seen. We are heard. We are loved. We are forgiven.**

Not a day goes by that we ever walk alone. Hosanna in the highest!  
Amen.

### Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Lesson | Luke 19: 29-40 (NT P.78)

Song of Response: **There Is a Time for Silence**

Words: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette (2020) Tune: Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Message: **Shouting & Silence**


## We Respond to God's Lead


### Affirmation of Faith


We believe that many years ago a peaceful parade wove its way  
through the streets of Jerusalem. We believe that on that day the  
people cried out, longing and praying for a better world. We believe  
that these longings came from a place of deep hope, and we believe  
that hope cannot be silenced.

So we listen for the Spirit. We sing Hosanna. We pay attention. For in  
between the silence and the song, we believe the Spirit is speaking.  
Amen.

Giving our Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service & Witness

 Invitations and Announcements

 Collection of Offering (*scan QR code for online giving*)

 Doxology | Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow, 95 UMH

 Prayer of Dedication

## We Go to Love and Serve

Closing Hymn | All Glory, Laud, and Honor, 280 UMH

Benediction

The Christ Light Leads us into the World

Postlude

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created a once in a lifetime experience. To learn more about our  
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or monthly newsletter, scan the QR code to sign up.

## Join us again for worship.

Good Friday—April 18, 7pm

*Acceptance & Resistance —Luke 23: 32-49*

Easter—April 20, 10am

*Grief & hope—Luke 24: 1-12*

### Worship Notes:

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