



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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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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Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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1. Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2. From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
 3. "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" that an - cient song we sing,

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang.
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud.
 for Christ is our Re - deem - er, the Lord of heaven our King.

To Je - sus, who had blessed them close fold - ed to his breast,
 The Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,
 O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.
 and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joi - ce!

There is a Time for Silence

ST. CHRISTOPHER 7.6.8.6.8.6.8.6 ("Beneath the Cross of Jesus")

There is a time for silence, a time to listen well,
a time to hear the painful stories others have to tell.
O God, may we who love to talk now hear the rage and fear,
and may we learn from neighbors who have long been si-
lenced here.

There is a time for asking, a time to pause and pray,
there is a time to hear the prophets speak of God's new day,
to hear the words of Jesus who taught welcome, truth and
love,
to hear the Spirit speaking through the ones who shout,
"Enough!"

There's time for humble study — for reading and for thought.
God, may we learn from others of the justice they have
sought,
And may we learn from those who bravely stand against the
hate,
So when we're called to justice, we, your church, won't hesi-
tate.

There's time for good reflection, to ponder who we've been,
to think how our own attitudes have paved the way for sin,
to listen to the ones we fear — to folks we may resent —
to hear of Jesus' call to love — and humbly to repent.

And there's a time to work now — to boldly say their names,
to protest and to organize, to advocate for change,
to use our voices and to stand with those who are oppressed.
As we seek justice, hand in hand, Lord, may your world be
blessed.

Biblical References: Ecclesiastes 3:7; Isaiah 58; Luke 10:25-37
Tune: Frederick Charles Maker, 1881 ("Beneath the Cross of
Jesus") ([MIDI](#))

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Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 95

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.

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674
MUSIC: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, 1551

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All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or, to thee, Re-deem-er, King,

Fine

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1. Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da-vid's roy - al Son,
2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais-ing thee on high,
3. The peo - ple of the He - brews with psalms be-fore thee went;
4. To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
5. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

D.C.

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.
 and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.
 our prayer and praise and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
 to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.