

PRELUDE, GATHERING,

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mark 11:1-6

Palm Sunday Gospel

while waving palms

refrain: Blessed is the coming kingdom.

Hosanna in the highest!

HYMN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friday, March 29 Good Friday service at 7 pm. at WCUMC

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday at 11 am.

Come celebrate our Risen Savior.

If you would like to attend a sunrise service, Rod Fry has invited us to join Ijamsville at 6:30 am, 746 Mussetter Rd

PRAYER

Isa. 50:4, 5; Phil. 2:5

FotW

Come Holy Spirit, source of all life.

As we hear again the story of the passion,

**let the same mind be in us that was in Christ,
who was a servant that we might be free.**

Awaken our ears, open our hearts,

and sustain the weary with your Word. Amen.

HYMN

Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

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FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 50:4-9a

GOSPEL

Mark 14:1-16

EPISTLE

Philippians 2:5-11

CHOIR

Precious Name

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CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

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**We confess, Anointed One, that we excuse ourselves
from reaching out to those who need your care.**

**We take your words- that there will always be unmet needs -
as a reason not to try to meet the needs we can.**

Forgive us and help us to change.

**Renew our determination to live as faithful followers,
faithful disciples, faithful Christians.**

**Help us to work with you for the well-being of your creation,
that the fortunes of all your peoples may be restored.**

{silent prayers}

Isa. 50:7-9 – FotW (alt)

*The Lord God helps us; we will not be disgraced.
The Lord God helps us; who can declare us guilty?
Sister and brothers, let us stand together
By the mercy of Christ, beyond the shadow of doubt,
our sins are forgiven.*

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and free!

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

HYMN

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE -

INTERCESSIONS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BRINGING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER

Matthew A Rich at PO

**Today, O God, we are truly grateful for
the greatest gift of all, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Receive these gifts as a symbol of
the dedication of our very selves to you.**

**Use our gifts and use us
as a part of the in-breaking of your kingdom,
which comes and is still coming into our world today. Amen.**

HYMN

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna, the Little Children Sang

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PRAYER & SENDING

Matthew A Rich at PO

*As we enter this Holy Week, may we have
the courage and the faith to wait and to walk, to listen and to pray,
to plan and to be surprised by
the plan of the Lord that leads to life.*

*And as we go to invite others
to join us in this most sacred way,
may the love of God, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit draw near to us and carry us
this day and each day to come.*

Amen

POSTLUDE

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Reflecting on and Praying with Scriptures

As suggested by the Revised Common Lectionary
Year B – Palm/Passion Sunday; March 24, 2024

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Scriptures

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 31:9-16

Mark 11:1-11

or John 12:12-16

Philippians 2:5-11

Mark 14:1-15:47

or Mark 15:1-47

Questions for Reflection:

The passion of Christ is a story of terror
in which, against all odds, love wins.

How might this story reshape
your week, your life, our world?

Where will you commit to letting love win?

How will this change your life?

Morning Prayers:

Jesus, in your passion and resurrection,
you show me there is no place you have not been
and no place you fear to go.

Morning by morning,
you awaken me more deeply to this truth.

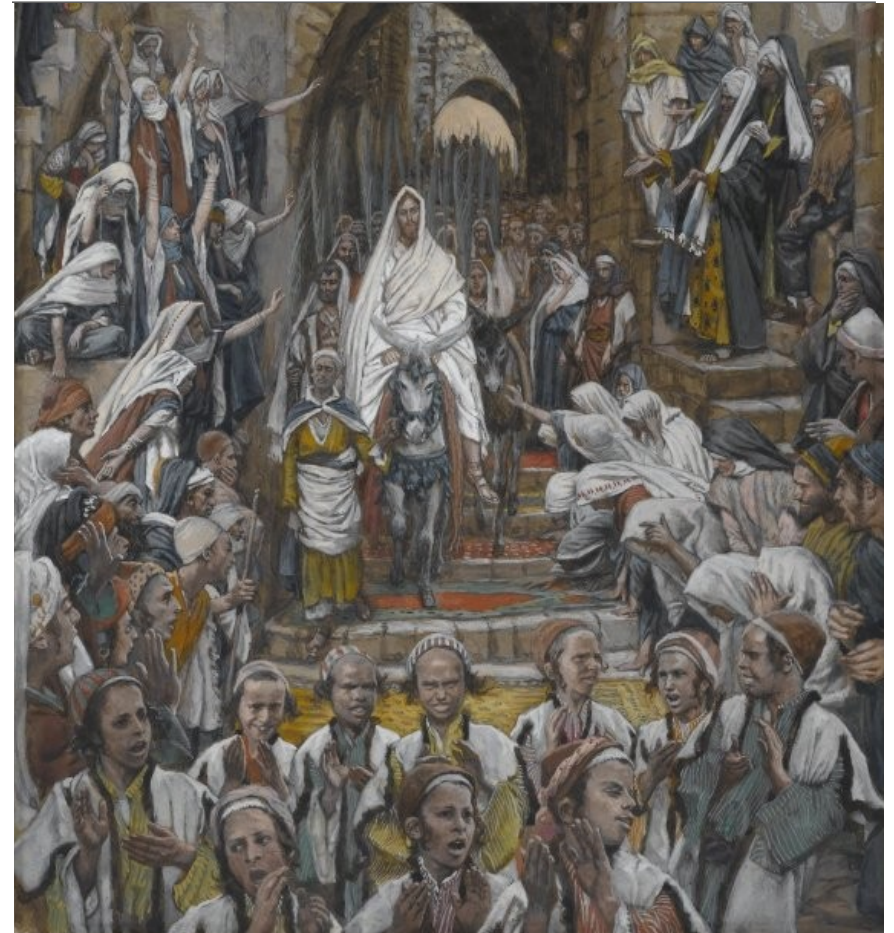
Send me into the world this day
with the courage and wisdom
to be a faithful witness to your coming reign
of justice, mercy, and peace. Amen.

Evening Prayers:

Although I have sought to serve you this day,
I have failed to keep your love.

You know my strengths and weaknesses more than I;
reveal them to me that I may be healed this night
and begin afresh tomorrow. Amen.

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