



Palm Sunday
+ Sunday, April 5, 2020 +

Invocation

L: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: Hosanna to the Son of David.

Palm Sunday Gospel

John 12:12-19

L: The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out,

C: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"

L: And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

C: "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

L: His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another,

C: "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

L: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: Hosanna in the highest.

[1] Hosanna, loud hosanna,
The little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple
The lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them,
Close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises,
The simplest and the best.

[2] From Olivet they followed
Mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving
And chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of men and heaven
Rode on in lowly state
Nor scorned that little children
Should on His bidding wait.

[3] "Hosanna in the highest!"
That ancient song we sing;
For Christ is our Redeemer,
The Lord of heav'n our King.
Oh, may we ever praise Him
With heart and life and voice
And in His blissful presence
Eternally rejoice!

Reading**John 12:20-43**

Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. So these came to Philip, who was

from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him. Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light." When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. Though he had done so many signs before them, they still

did not believe in him, so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Lord, who has believed what he heard from us, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?" Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said, "He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart, lest they see with their eyes, and understand with their heart, and turn, and I would heal them." Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him. Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

L: O Lord, have mercy on us.

C: Thanks be to God.

Sermon (video available at https://youtu.be/9jvjSG_1PgE)

Apostles' Creed

C: 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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C: 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Collect

L: Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem gathered with palms in their hands to greet your Son when he came into Jerusalem, grant that we may ever hail him as our King and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Blessing

L: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

C: Amen.

Hymn

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[Refrain] *All glory, laud, and honor
To You, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.*

[1] You are the King of Israel
And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming,
Our King and Blessed One. *[Refrain]*

[2] The company of angels
Is praising You on high,
And we with all creation
In chorus make reply. *[Refrain]*

[3] The multitude of pilgrims
With palms before You went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before You we present. *[Refrain]*

[4] To You, before Your passion,
They sang their hymns of praise;
To You, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise. *[Refrain]*

[5] As You received their praises,
Accept the prayers we bring,
O Source of ev'ry blessing,
O good and gracious King. *[Refrain]*