

Date: 3/28/2021 Palm Sunday

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

March is Food Shelf month...so please be willing to donate food or monies to the Quad City Food Shelf. Today is the last day for matching funds.

Maundy Thursday Service at 5:00pm on April 1 at Trinity.

We will be having a Good Friday service at the church on April 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

Next Sunday is Easter!

Easter will be Sunday, April 4th and we would love to have a beautiful and colorful Easter garden up on the altar. Please consider buying a colorful plant for the altar and you can have it back after the Easter service. If you would like the plant in honor or memory of someone, let DeEtta know and she will put it in the bulletin. Please no Easter lilies as some members have allergies.

Call to worship:

Leader: Let us worship the Lord—not just with our voices, but with our entire being.

People: We gather to worship the one who is highly exalted and whose name is above every name, Jesus the Christ.

Leader: Your presence demands our participation. Our worship is never wasteful.

People: Be gracious to us O Lord. We are your servants; empty us for your use. We are Christ's servants, and may we be of the same mind.

All: We declare that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father. Praise be unto God!

Opening Hymn: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Opening Prayer:

Holy Brother, you have come in God's name and for our sake. You have entered our souls in moments of shouted Hosannas and waving cloaks. And you have come just the same to our late nights and our confused hearts. Come to us again, Dear One, and let us follow you. Let your name be on our tongues and in our hearts. Amen.

Prayer of Confession:

Mercy or mercies, where you go we have often been afraid to follow. Sometimes the sorrows of our lives blind us to the pain in the lives of others. Even yours. When we are spent with sorrow, when our years are filled with sighing, when our souls waste away, when we can barely speak your name; we find it hard to trust your presence, though you have already made yourself humbled and broken, just like us. Help us place our trust in you, no matter the cost. Our times are in your hands. Give us the courage and the strength to say by your side. Amen.

Psalm: Psalm 118 (responsive reading page 839 in the Hymnal)

HYMN: Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

Children's Time

Prayers of the People:

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer

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

*HYMN: All Glory, laud and Honor

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9

Epistle Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11

Gospel Lesson: Mark 11:1-11

Message

*HYMN: Jesus! The Name High Over All

Offering

Offertory Prayer:

Almighty and everlasting God, as we bring our gifts and lay them at your altar, we remember the crowds in Jerusalem who laid their cloaks on the road, shouting “Hosanna” as Jesus passed. We know they were looking for a Messiah who was different from who you sent Jesus to be – not one of political power and military might, but one who came in compassion and mercy to heal, love, and save. Search our hearts that we might be confident that the Messiah for whom we long is the one you know we need – Jesus Christ, your anointed one, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Benediction:

*HYMN: More Like You

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Postlude