

Palm/Passion Sunday—March 24, 2024—10am

+ **Gathering** +

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

*All are invited, as able and weather permitting,
to gather outside to begin the service.*

+ **Acclamation**

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Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

+ **Processional Gospel**

Mark 11:1-11

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” ⁴They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” ⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the

fields. ⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹¹Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

+ Blessing of Palms

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The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept.

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

+ Procession

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Let us go forth in peace, **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

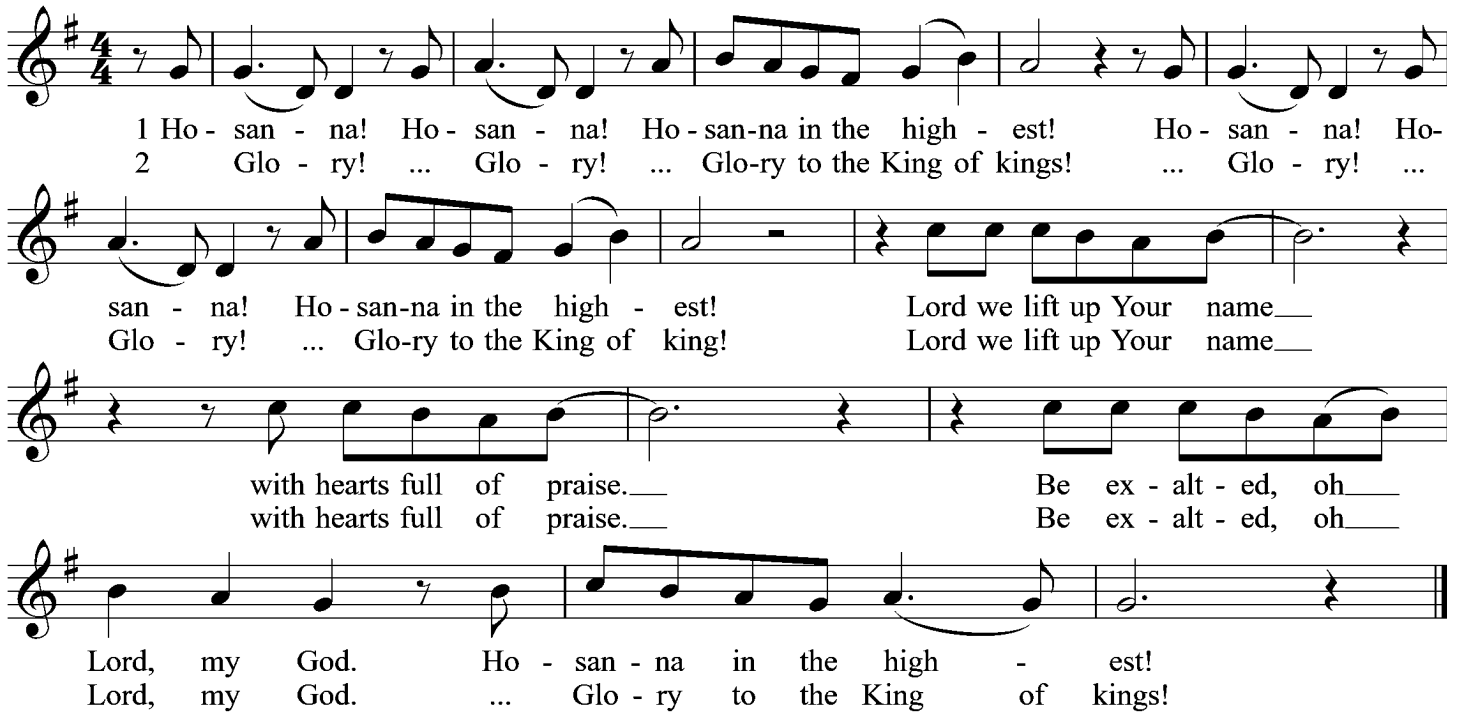
*The assembly processes into the church,
waving palms and singing the Processional Song.
Please remain standing in your pew.*

+ Processional Song

Hosanna

Hosanna''

Words & Music by
Carl Tuttle



1 Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san-na in the high - est! Ho - san - na! Ho-
2 Glo - ry! ... Glo - ry! ... Glo-ry to the King of kings! ... Glo - ry! ...

san - na! Ho - san-na in the high - est! Lord we lift up Your name___
Glo - ry! ... Glo-ry to the King of king! Lord we lift up Your name___

with hearts full of praise... Be ex - alt - ed, oh___
with hearts full of praise... Be ex - alt - ed, oh___

Lord, my God. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
Lord, my God. ... Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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+ Prayer of the Day

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+Word+

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9a

A reading from Isaiah.

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.

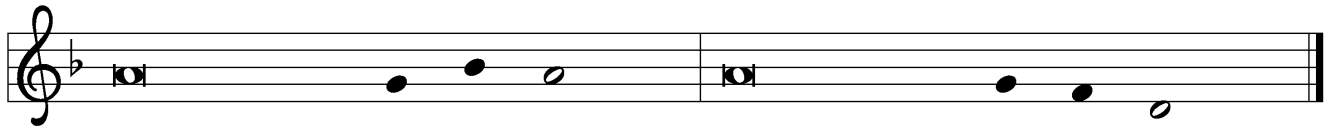
Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ⁹It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 31:9-16

Let us sing Psalm 31, verses 9 through 16 responsively by verse as translated in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal.



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⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I | am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat |
and my belly.

¹⁰**For my life is wasted with grief, and my | years with
sighing;**

**my strength fails me because of affliction, and my
bones | are consumed.**

¹¹I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my
neighbors, a dismay to | my acquaintances;
when they see me in the street | they avoid me.

¹²**Like the dead I am forgotten, | out of mind;
I am as useless as a | broken pot.**

¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is | all
around;

they put their heads together against me; they plot
to | take my life.

¹⁴**But as for me, I have trusted in | you, O LORD.
I have said, “You | are my God.**

¹⁵My times are | in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from
those who | persecute me.

¹⁶**Let your face shine up- | on your servant;
save me in your | steadfast love.”**

Second Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

A reading from Philippians.

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

+ Gospel Acclamation

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Noth-ing in all cre - a - tion can sep - a - rate us from the love of God.



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The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Young at Heart Message

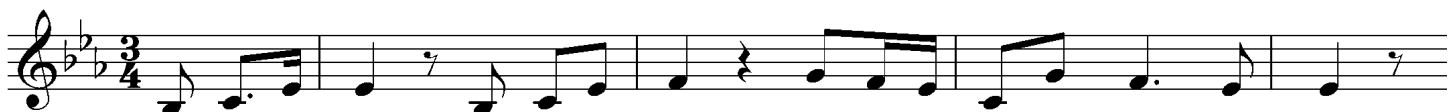
The Rev. Leslie D. Weber

+ Song of the Day

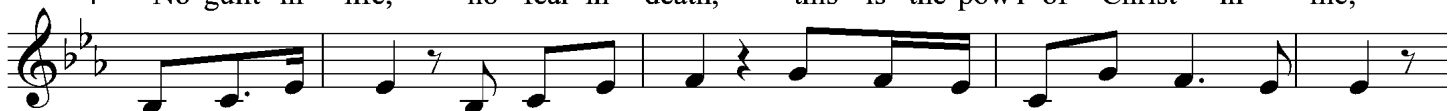
"In Christ Alone"

In Christ Alone

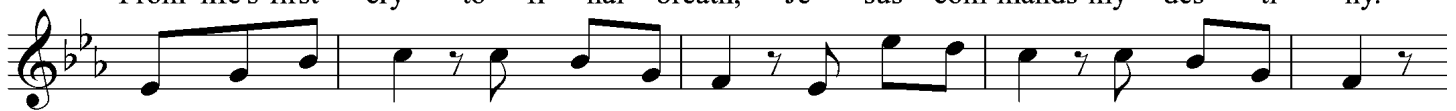
Words & Music by
Keith Getty and Stuart Townend



1 In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
 2 In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full-ness of God in help - less babe!
 3 There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the world by dark - ness slain;
 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;



This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id Ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm.
 This gift of love and right - eous - ness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
 Then, burst - ing forth in glo - rious Day, up from the grave He rose a - gain!
 From life's first cry to fi - nal breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny.



What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease.
 Till on that cross as Je - sus died, the love of God was mag - ni - fied.
 And as He stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from His hand;



My Com - fort - er, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.
 For ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
 For I am His and He is mine; bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 Till He re - turns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

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**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic
church. We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of
the world to come. Amen.**

* universal

+ Prayers of Intercession

sung refrain ELW #616



Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.



Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community

Music: REMEMBER ME, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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+ Peace

+Meal+

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+ Offering Prayer

+ Great Thanksgiving

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The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

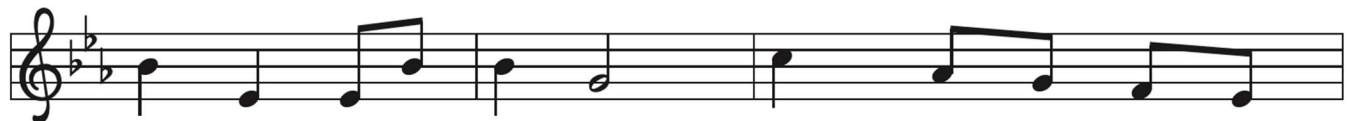
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

+ Proper Preface

+ Sanctus

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and



God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the



Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

+ 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.

+ Invitation to Communion

Agnus Dei

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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace

When we're gathered around the table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table where Christ is both host and meal.

Wine (red) and grape juice (white) are distributed in individual cups.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer to stay in the pew, there are prepackaged kits (wine, juice, and gluten free options) available at the sanctuary doors. If you prefer not to receive the wafer and wine/grape juice, you may kneel or stand at the rail with arms folded across your chest to receive a blessing.

Distribution Song

"Bread for the Journey"



1, 5 Give us bread for the jour - ney, give us bread.
2 Guide our way as we trav - el, guide our way.
3 Make us one with each oth - er, make us one.
4 Lead us home to the gar - den, lead us home.



Give us bread for the jour - ney, give us bread.
Guide our way as we trav - el, guide our way.
Make us one with each oth - er, make us one.
Lead us home to the gar - den, lead us home;



When our legs are get - ting heav - y, and we're hang - ing down our heads,
With so ma - ny roads be - fore us, where to go is hard to say.
All the walls we've built a - round us: may we learn to tear them down.
where we'll live with all cre - a - tion, find our place and nev - er roam.



give us bread for the jour - ney, give us bread.
Guide our way as we trav - el, guide our way.
Make us one with each oth - er, make us one.
Lead us home to the gar - den, lead us home.

Text: Bret Hesla

Music: BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY, Bret Hesla

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+ Table Blessing

+ Prayer after Communion

+ Sending +

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

+ Blessing

Announcements

+ Sending Song

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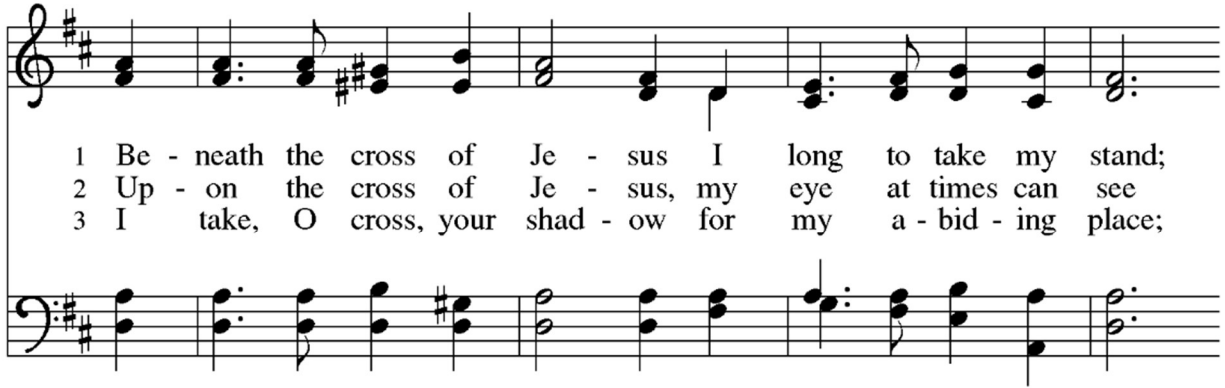
+ Dismissal

Go in peace. Share your bread. **Thanks be to God.**

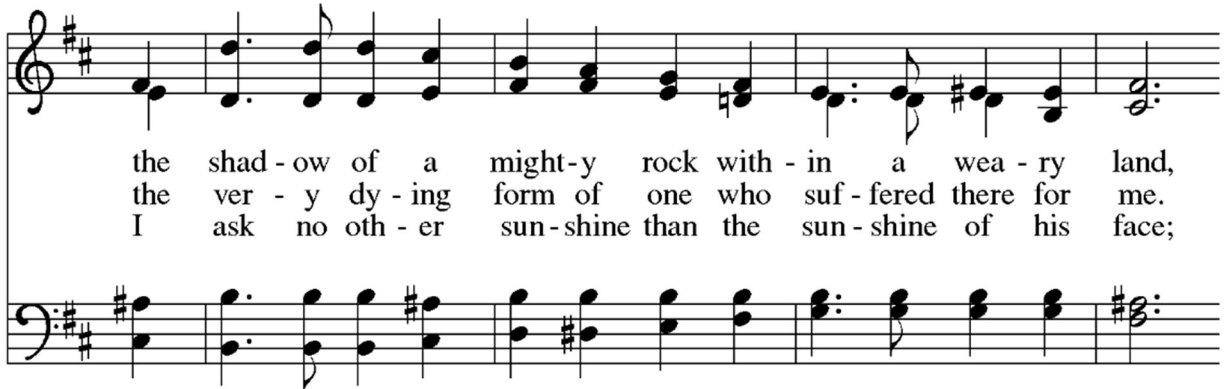
Postlude

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Beneath the Cross of Jesus



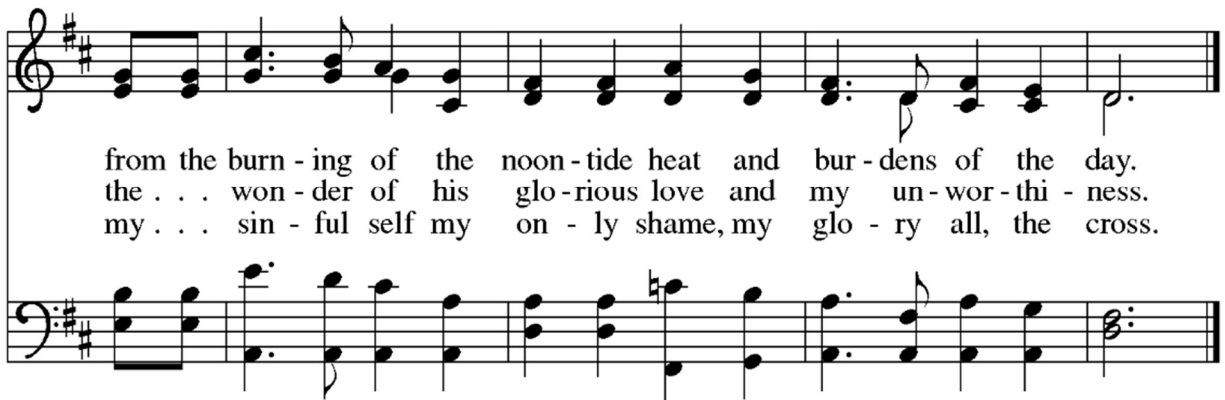
1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I long to take my stand;
2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus, my eye at times can see
3 I take, O cross, your shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place;



the shad - ow of a might-y rock with - in a wea - ry land,
the ver - y dy - ing form of one who suf - fered there for me.
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;



a home with-in a wil - der - ness, a rest up-on the way,
And from my con - trite heart, with tears, two won - ders I con - fess:
con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,



from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and bur - dens of the day.
the . . . won - der of his glo - rious love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
my . . . sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all, the cross.