BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10:30 a.m. Sunday 28 March 2021 Palm/Passion Sunday

ENTRANCE WITH THE PALMS

Prelude and Lighting of Candles

Announcements

Greeting**: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

God's steadfast love endures for ever.
This is the day that the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

(From Psalm 118)

Collect and Thanksgiving over the Palms**:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right to praise and bless you, O Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. We remember the day when he entered your holy city of Jerusalem and there was proclaimed King by those who spread their garments and palm branches in his path.

As we recall his coming in victory, so we ask that you will bless these branches, that they may be for us signs of the victory which is yet to come.

We pray that as we carry them in his Name, so we may ever acknowledge him as the way that leads to eternal life;

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Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God in glory everlasting. **Amen.** (Sarum, Alt.)

Proclamation of the Triumphal Entry: Mark 11:1-11

The People's Response^:

Hosanna to the Son of David!

Hosanna in the highest!

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

Hosanna in the highest!

Processional Hymn: 278 "Hosanna, Lord Hosanna"

Psalter: (Insert: Read responsively) Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

PROCLAMATION OF THE PASSION STORY

Prayer for Illumination: 281 "Palm/Passion Sunday"

First Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalter: 764(5) (Verses 9-16 only) (Response 1) Psalm 31:9-16

Second Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11

Passion Hymn: 292 "What Wondrous Love Is This"

Proclamation of the Passion Story: Mark 14:1-15:47

The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version: 881

Joys, Concerns, Prayers

The Peace: Let us offer one another signs

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of reconciliation and love. The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

THANKSGIVING

The Invitation: As forgiven and reconciled people

let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

The Offering/Offertory

The Doxology: 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Prayer of Dedication^^:

Let us pray:

These gifts, God, we dedicate to you and your work.

This is not all we offer.

We also commit our time and all of who we are to your Spirit.

Accept these gifts as an offering of and for your family.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer: 895:

SENDING FORTH

Closing Hymn: 2111 (Tune 545) "We Sang Our Glad Hosannas"

Blessing^: Go forth in peace.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit,

be with us all. Amen.

Extinguishing of Candles and Postlude

Going Forth

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