

DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP

April 10th, 2022

“PALM SUNDAY”

Liturgical Color – Purple

TODAY'S CENTERING MEDITATION

They praised God with a loud voice because of all the mighty things they had seen.

Luke 19:37b

* Please stand in stature or in heart as you are able.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE ... *When Morning Gilds the Skies* Joseph Barnby, arr. by Bill Wolaver

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God,
we give thanks for Jesus who rode in triumph into Jerusalem.
We praise you that he came as the conqueror,
not of force and military might, but of love and peace.
In the spirit of those who sang, "Hosanna to the Son of David" so long ago,
we join that great chorus of those who confess Jesus Christ as Lord,
to the glory of your name. Amen.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!
God's steadfast love endures forever!

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

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

The Lord is our God, and has given us light;

Great is our God, and we give thanks to the Lord.

Hosanna to the Son of David!

Hosanna! Save Us, O God. Hosanna!

God's steadfast love endures forever.

* *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOLLOWED BY MOMENTS OF SILENT PRAYER

**God who visits us in human form,
we confess our impossible expectations of other humans.
In our need for perfection, we make idols of those who are merely mortal.
Seduced by power, glamour, or ability, we hope for superhumans.
Disappointed by our heroes' imperfections, we set them up for failure.
Seeking to forget our own imperfections,
we forget that we are our own sources of disappointment.
Merciful Christ,
as we confess our need to scapegoat, forgive our deficiencies.
As we live according to your mercy, strengthen us to look with mercy on the faults of others.
May we learn to see all people as your chosen children,
brothers and sisters gifted by grace, potential visitors from you. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PARDON

JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN

***Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in his sight.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.***

WHERE CHILDREN BELONG

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TIME OF PRAYER / THE LORD'S PRAYER

(from the ritual of the former Methodist Church)

A PRAYER FOR OFFERING OUR TREASURES TO THE LORD

Great and wondrous God,
 on this festive and joyous day, we bring our gifts.
 As we celebrate with Jesus his great entrance into Jerusalem,
 please help us to remember his great and costly sacrifice.
 May we return his most generous love for us
 with our gifts of love, talents, time, finances, devotion,
 and our service to all the world. Amen.

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 ... Amen.

* *The Palms (O'er All the Way)*

(on insert)

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

The Apostles' Creed, Ecumenical Version

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**
**I believe 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 to the dead.**
**On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

GOD'S WORD:

Luke 19:28-40

(The Liturgist says: "This is the Word of God for ALL people" ... AND ... the People respond: "Thanks BE to God"

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

"SHARING WHAT WE HAVE SEEN"

* *All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine*

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* BENEDICTION

* *He Lives*

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 for making the PALM CROSSES you received today**