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PALM SUNDAY/SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

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Christ's blessings to all! **To our visitors**, we rejoice to have you gathered together with us in our Lord's House this day & look forward to having you with us again. If you are searching for a Church home, **please introduce yourself to Pastor** or indicate such **with your contact information** in the red 'Fellowship Booklets' in each pew.

**(Bold – Congregation speaks
Bold Italic – Congregation sings or chants
Hymns in folder)**

THE ORDER OF MATINS

Prelude

Hymn of Invocation #160 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Versicles & Responses (*stand*)

O Lord, open Thou my lips.

And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

Make haste to help me, O Lord.

***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen***

The Invitatory

Oh, come, let us worship the Lord:

For He is our Maker.

The Venite – pg. 33

Oh, come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving: and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.

In His hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His, and He made it: and His hands formed the dry land.

Oh, come let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.

For He is our God: and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

Psalmody:

Psalm 118:19-29

Open to me the gates of righteousness; I will go through them, and I will praise the LORD.

This is the gate of the LORD, Through which the righteous shall enter.

I will praise You, For You have answered me, And have become my salvation.

The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone.

This was the LORD'S doing; It is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day the LORD has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Save now, I pray, O LORD; O LORD, I pray, send now prosperity.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We have blessed you from the house of the LORD.

God is the LORD, And He has given us light; Bind the sacrifice with cords to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will praise You; You are my God, I will exalt You.

Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

The Catechism Review – The Apostles' Creed

What is The First Article?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

What does this mean? I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil.

All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

The Old Testament Reading: Zechariah 9:9–12

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

The Epistle: Philippians 2:5–11

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Holy Gospel: John 12:12-19

¹²The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹³So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" ¹⁴And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

¹⁵“Fear not, daughter of Zion’

Behold your king is coming,

Sitting on a donkey’s colt!”

¹⁶His 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. ¹⁷The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness.

¹⁸The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. ¹⁹So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.”

But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Thanks be to Thee, O Lord.

Sermon Hymn – #162

“Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty”

Sermon: “In Coming as King on a Donkey”

John 12:14-15

- I. Jesus fulfilled the Scriptures prophesying Him as our coming King and divine Savior.
- II. Therefore we need not fear.

Presentation of the Offerings

The Te Deum Laudamus

We praise Thee, O God; we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father everlasting.

To Thee all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the powers therein;

To Thee cherubim and seraphim continually do cry:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sab-a-oth!

The glorious company of the Apostles praise Thee;

The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise Thee;

The noble army of martyrs praise Thee;

The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee:

The Father of an infinite majesty; Thine adorable true and only Son, also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Thy glory.

***When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man,
Thou didst humble Thyself to be born of a virgin.***

***When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.***

***Thou sittest at the right hand of God
In the glory of the Father.***

***We believe that Thou shalt come
To be our Judge.***

***We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants,
whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.***

***Make them to be numbered with Thy saints
In glory everlasting.***

***O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine heritage.
Govern them and lift them up forever.***

***Day by day we magnify Thee.
And we worship Thy name ever, world without end.***

Vouchsafe, O Lord to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

***O Lord, let Thy mercy be upon us, as our trust is in Thee.
O Lord, in Thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.***

The Prayers

The Kyrie:

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

The 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.***

The Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Special Petitions

Collect Of The Day

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ***Amen.***

The Collect for Grace

Amen.

The Benedicamus

Bless we the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Benediction

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all.

Amen.

Hymn – #161

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Silent Prayer & Postlude

+ SOLI DEO GLORIA +

DAILY READINGS

March 28: Ex. 8:1–32; Heb. 1:1–14; 29: Ex. 9:1–28; Heb. 2:1–18; 30: Ex. 9:29–10:20; Heb. 3:1–19; 31: Ex. 10:21–11:10; Heb. 4:1–16; April 1: Ex. 12:1–28; Heb. 5:1–14; 2: Ex. 12:29–32; 13:1–16; Heb. 6:1–20; 3: Ex. 13:17–14:9; Heb. 7:1–22.

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