



10:45 service + March 25, 2018 + Palm Sunday

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Order of Worship

Liturgist is Eric Schmidt

Themes and keywords: lowly entry, sacrifice, fruitful

Introit

Hosanna, Blessed Is He Who Comes

Children's Choir

Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes! Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

STANDING (IF ABLE)

God calls us to worship

from Zechariah 9:9; Matthew 21:9

Music: Christian Gregor 1765

arr. M. Burkhardt

Liturgist: Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Suffering Servant, All: the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Liturgist: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

All: Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest!

Liturgist: 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.

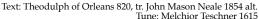
All: Hosanna to the Son of David!

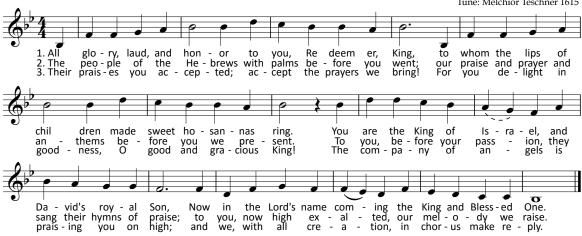
Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest!

We praise God

All Glory, Laud, and Honor





Let the Whole Creation Cry Alleluia!

Text: Stopford Brooke Tune: Joanne LeDoux Children's Choir Directors: Ruth & Al Stith

Let the whole creation cry, "Alleluia! Glory to the Lord on high! Alleluia!"

Praise the Lord, ye hosts above, — Alleluia — ever bright and fair in love — Alleluia!

Sun and moon, lift up your voice. Night and stars in God rejoice. Let the children's happy hearts in this worship bear their parts.

We pray for God to help us worship

Liturgist: Christ is risen!

All:

He is risen indeed!

He died for us that we might live for him.

God calls us to confess our sin

from Psalm 24:3-4; James 4:7-8, 10

Liturgist: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?

He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

We confess our sin

All (sing): Trisagion (below); sing 3 times

All: Our Creator and King,

you have offered us the lowly way of the cross in Christ,

which is the way to true life and eternal glory.

But we often choose the world's way of success:

the way of wealth, power, and violent revenge.

We cheer for a strong leader to protect us,

but we walk away from sacrifice and suffering for your name and your mission,

because we desire our safety and comfort in this life

more than your eternal honor and purpose.

You are justified when you convict us of evil,

and our only hope is your steadfast love. Lord, have mercy on us.

(silent prayers of confession)

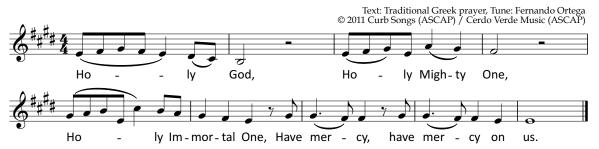
Liturgist: Loving Lord, we are sorry for all the ways that we have turned away from you and

rejected your mission when you lead us through pain. Help us abide in Christ and follow him in the way of the cross by laying down our lives to sacrifice and serve in the love and

power of your Spirit so that our lives will always be faithful and fruitful.

All (sing): Trisagion (below); sing 1 time

Trisagion



Liturgist:

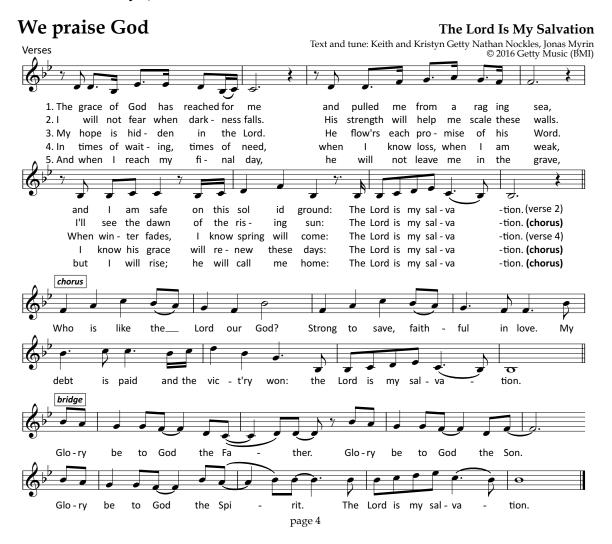
God declares our forgiveness

from Romans 5:1-2, 9-10

Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

For all who have turned from sin in sorrow and look to God for mercy, this is God's gift. In Jesus Christ, God loves you, God forgives you, God accepts you, and God rejoices over you as beloved daughters and sons.

All: Hallelujah, Amen!



We greet one another with the peace of Christ

SEATED

God instructs us in scripture reading

Mark 11:1-14 (pew Bible p. 847)

God instructs us in preaching

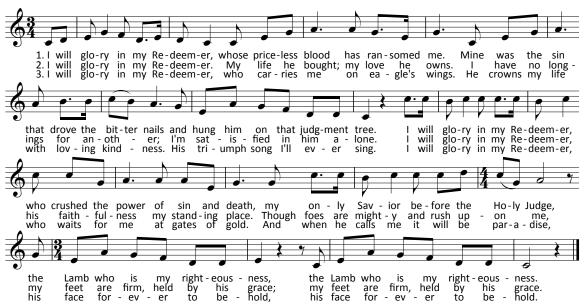
"Lambs, Lions, and Donkeys" Rev. Dr. Clay Smith

We offer ourselves in gifts and song

I Will Glory in My Redeemer

Text and tune: Steve and Vicki Cook 2001 © 2001 Sovereign Grace Worship

Prior to singing, we will take a moment of silence to reflect and pray.



STANDING (IF ABLE)

We pray for the church and the world

All (sing): stanza 1 of "The Royal Banners Forward Go" (below)

Liturgist: (prayers for the church)

All (sing): stanza 2 of "The Royal Banners Forward Go" (below)

Liturgist: (prayers for the nations)

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come,

your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

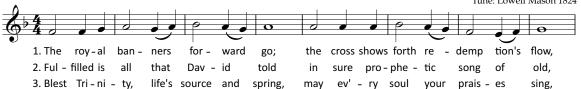
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

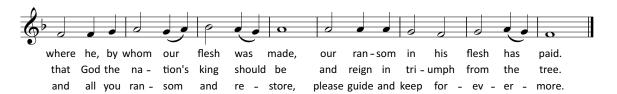
For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

All (sing): stanza 3 of "The Royal Banners Forward Go" (below)

The Royal Banners Forward Go

Text: Venantius H. C. Fortunatus 6th cen. Tr. J. M. Neale Tune: Lowell Mason 1824





God blesses us and sends us out

Pastor: And all God's people said...

All: Hallelujah! Amen.

Doxology: This Is My Father's World

Text: Maltbie B. Babcock 1901 Tune: Traditional English melody



Holy Week services

March 29	Holy Thursday	7 p.m.
March 30	Good Friday	7 p.m.
April 1	1st Sunday of Easter	7:30 a.m. (World's Fair Pavilion, Forest Park) 9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m.

For the meaning and connection of these services, see:

"Holy Week: Four Services, One Story"

http://www.centralpres.com/our-blog/four-services-one-story/

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