

"Palm Sunday" by Jen Norton

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THE SERVICE OF THE LORD

March 24, 2024 Palm Sunday

PRELUDE	All Glory, Laud and Honor Rich Williams, trombone	Arr. Gary Lanier
INTROIT	Hosanna to the Son of Davia Hosanna to the Son of David, the I Blessed is he who comes in the nan Hosanna in the highest!	King of Israel!
WELCOME AND AN At th	NNOUNCEMENTS is time, children of all ages are invited to th to prepare for our Palm Sunday pr	•
 *CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 24 and Matthew 21) Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors! So that the King of Glory may come in! Who is the King of Glory? The Lord, strong and mighty! The Lord of hosts, he is the King of Glory! Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven! 		
	YMN #197 Hosanna, Loud Hoson of the procession, children are encourage	

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

Hosanna, we pray. Save us, Lord.

Save us from ourselves, when we trip over pride, doubt, or fear. Save us from systems that keep us bound, when we cannot see the way out. Save us from our sins, when we feel their weight pressing on our hearts. As we descend into the darkness of Holy Week, help us accept our share of the betrayal to come... help us recognize the depth of our own sin... and help us hold fast to the hope of your grace alone...

(time for silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN #425 (verse 1)

Son of God, whose heart is peace, Son of God, most holy, to your presence we have come; give us now your love.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

Merciful God, as your Word is read and proclaimed on this Palm Sunday, open to us the gates of your wisdom, so that we may come in and see your glory. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

ANTHEM

Ride On, King Jesus

Howard Helvey

Ride on, King Jesus; no man can a-hinder me.

He is King of kings, he is Lord of lords, Jesus Christ, the first and last; no man a-works like him.

King Jesus rides a milk white horse; no man a-works like him. River of Jordan; no man a-works like him.

Jesus rides in the middle of the air; no man a-works like him. He calls the saints from everywhere; no man a-works like him.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 11:1-11

SERMON

"Borrowed"

Rev. Bynum

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN #418, verse 1

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me; see, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me. Come home, come home; you who are weary come home; earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!"

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER Adriana Forney

Rev. Claunch

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Malena Cony Forney, Daughter of Adriana Forney and Frank Forney

Congregational Response (Hymn 486) "Child of Blessing, Child of Promise" (verse 1) Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign, with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.

*THE PEACE The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you! And also with you!

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Bynum 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and glory forever. Amen.

Rev. Bynum

Lori Godwin

(congregation singing)

Amen. Amen. Amen. Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

INVITATION TO OFFERING Financial gifts may be shared electronically via the Realm Connect app or by scanning the QR code to the right. Additional pledge cards are available at the Usher Station at the rear of the sanctuary.

OFFERTORY

Wondrous Love Caitlyn Carpenter, viola Arr. Raymond Haan

*DOXOLOGY #165

Text by G. W. Dub Shepherd Praise God throughout these forty days; Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise; And praise the Spirit who imparts God's love in Christ into our hearts.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN #198 *Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!*

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Bynum

*POSTLUDE

Jesus Paid It All Rich Williams, trombone Arr. Brant Adams

NOTE: You are welcome to stay and listen to the Postlude, but there is no expectation that you remain seated during this time. Feel free to get up and greet your neighbors!



Rev. Claunch

THE GREAT AMEN

Mentions and Announcements

The flowers at today's service are given in loving memory of my father, Warren Serenbetz, by Paul Serenbetz.

If you are interested in **sponsoring flowers** in honor or memory of a loved one, please either scan the QR code to the right or contact the to sign-up for an upcoming Sunday! office at broodal@lacny.org



Your voice and presence would be a gift to our worship! If you would be willing to be a liturgist please scan the QR code to the right or email the office at broodal@lacny.org.

- Nursery Care is available on the ground floor of the education wing (Classroom 114) for infants and toddlers up to age 2.
- **Sunday School Today:** Following the Children's Message, kids grade are dismissed for Sunday School. Use the QR Code to view the Spring Sunday School scheduler
- No Youth Group this week for spring break.



Youth Group for middle and high schoolers meets on Wednesday evenings in the Youth Room. Use the QR Code to view the Spring 2024 Youth Calendar. Questions? Email agclaunch@lacny.org.

HOLY WEEK AT LAC **SUNDAY, MARCH 24**

10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary/Online) 10:20 am Sunday School (Carhart) 11:15 am Coffee Hour (Russell Hall) **TUESDAY, MARCH 26** 6:45 pm Al-Anon (Library) 7:15 pm AA (Carhart)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

11:00 am Staff Meeting (Lindsley) 7:00 pm Larchmont Symphonia (Chapel) 7:45 pm Chancel Choir (Russell Hall)

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

4:00 pm Westchester Children's Chorus (Sanctuary/Chapel/Carhart/ Rm 202) 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Worship 7:15 pm AA (Carhart)

FRIDAY MARCH 29

12:00 pm Good Friday Worship (Sanctuary)

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ages 3 through 5th

JESUS CHRIST: PASSION AND DEATH



The opening two stanzas narrate the first Palm Sunday in the past tense, but the third stanza shifts to the present tense to emphasize what current singers do and believe. The repeated elements in this anonymous German tune suggest the repetitive patterns in a crowd's chant.

JESUS CHRIST: PASSION AND DEATH



This 19th-century Palm Sunday text is better understood as the reflections of someone standing outside the event rather than as coming from those participating in the actual procession. This poignant text is set to a tune written especially for it later in the same century.