

Sunday of the Passion
March 24, 2024
Written Service

As We Gather

Today's processional Gospel looks at the first day of Holy Week, and the Passion carries us on to Jesus' tomb. Throughout the entire week, and since His transfiguration, our Lord has moved toward the cross step by step. Despite opposition from crowds and His circle of friends, He has been determined to love us to death so that He might open heaven to us by the grace of God. Zechariah had written about the procession centuries earlier, and Paul proclaims that God the Father has exalted Jesus for His steadfast commitment to our salvation. But this is no mere history! We also are called to follow, to live through each day, step by step, faithful under various circumstances yet confident of mercy, grace, and forgiveness.

PROCESSION OF PALMS

Hymn: All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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Sunday School Choir

Greeting

Invocation

Confession and Absolution

Introit for Palm Sunday

Psalm 24:7–10; antiphon: Psalm 118:26

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

A Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!
Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory!

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

Salutation

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray.
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.
C Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection;
P through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 9:9–12

Holy Gospel

John 12:12–19

Hymn: No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet

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Mission Message

Offering

Apostles' Creed

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Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Hymn: Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

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