Palm Sunday - March 24, 2024

Modified Order of Matins

8:00 a.m. service – first verse of #525 is sung twice 10:30 a.m. service – Sunday School children sing first verse of #525 then congregation joins and together the first verse is sung again

525 Crown Him with Many Crowns

- 1 Crown Him with many crowns,
 The Lamb upon His throne;
 Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
 All music but its own.
 Awake, my soul, and sing
 Of Him who died for thee,
 And hail Him as thy matchless king
 Through all eternity. (repeat)
- 2 Crown Him the virgin's Son,
 The God incarnate born,
 Whose arm those crimson trophies won
 Which now His brow adorn:
 Fruit of the mystic rose,
 Yet of that rose the stem,
 The root whence mercy ever flows,
 The babe of Bethlehem.

- 3 Crown Him the Lord of love.
 Behold His hands and side,
 Rich wounds, yet visible above,
 In beauty glorified.
 No angels in the sky
 Can fully bear that sight,
 But downward bend their wond'ring eyes
 At mysteries so bright.
- 4 Crown Him the Lord of life,
 Who triumphed o'er the grave
 And rose victorious in the strife
 For those He came to save.
 His glories now we sing,
 Who died and rose on high,
 Who died eternal life to bring
 And lives that death may die.

5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n,

Enthroned in worlds above,

Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n

The wondrous name of Love.

Crown Him with many crowns

As thrones before Him fall;

Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,

For He is king of all.

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Lent Versicles

LSB 219

- P O Lord, open my lips,
- C and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- P Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
- C make haste to help me, O Lord.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

Psalmody

Antiphon (Lent)

- **P** The Lord has redeemed His people.
- **C** O come, let us worship Him.

Venite LSB 220

O come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving, let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.

For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods. The deep places of the earth are in His hand; the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His, for He made it, and His hand formed the dry land. O 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 Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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Introit

Psalm 24:7–10; antiphon: Psalm 118:26

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

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!

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

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Readings

Old Testament Reading

L A reading from Zechariah, chapter 9.

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.

- **L** O Lord, have mercy on us.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

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.

Epistle Reading

Philippians 2:5–11

L A reading from Philippians, chapter 2.

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.

- **L** O Lord, have mercy on us.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

John 12:12–19

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to John, the twelfth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

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."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Responsory (Lent)

LSB 222

- **P** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.
- C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
- P Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven and whose sin is put away.
- C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
- **P** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.
- C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

Children's Sermon

443 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

- 1 Hosanna, loud hosanna,
 The little children sang;
 Through pillared court and temple
 The lovely anthem rang.
 To Jesus, who had blessed them,
 Close folded to His breast,
 The children sang their praises,
 The simplest and the best.
- 2 From Olivet they followed
 Mid an exultant crowd,
 The victor palm branch waving
 And chanting clear and loud.
 The Lord of earth and heaven
 Rode on in lowly state
 Nor scorned that little children
 Should on His bidding wait.

3 "Hosanna in the highest!"

That ancient song we sing;

For Christ is our Redeemer,

The Lord of heav'n our King.

Oh, may we ever praise Him

With heart and life and voice

And in His blissful presence

Eternally rejoice!

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Sermon

Canticle

Te Deum LSB 223

We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
All the earth now worships You, the Father everlasting.
To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs therein.
To You cherubim and seraphim continually do cry:

Holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Your glory. The glorious company of the apostles praise You. The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise You. The noble army of martyrs praise You.

The holy Church throughout all the world does acknowledge You:

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

You are the king of glory, O Christ; You are the everlasting Son of the Father.

When You took upon Yourself to deliver man, You humbled Yourself to be born of a virgin. When You had overcome the sharpness of death, You opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father. We believe that You will come to be our judge.

We therefore pray You to help Your servants, whom You have redeemed with Your precious blood. Make them to be numbered with Your saints in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save Your people and bless Your heritage. Govern them and lift them up forever. Day by day we magnify You. And we worship Your name forever and ever.

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

- O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
- O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.
- O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

Sharing of the Peace and Offering

Prayer

Kyrie LSB 227

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Salutation LSB 227

P The Lord be with you.

C And with your spirit.

Collect of the Day

Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Collect for Grace

P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus LSB 228

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction LSB 228

- P The grace of our Lord ▶ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.
- C Amen.

441 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.O Savior meek, pursue Thy road,With palms and scattered garments strowed.
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!In lowly pomp ride on to die.O Christ, Thy triumphs now beginO'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 The angel armies of the sky
 Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes
 To see the_approaching sacrifice.
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh.
 The Father on His sapphire throne
 Awaits His own anointed Son.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 In lowly pomp ride on to die.
 Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
 Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

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