

## MIDWEEK OF LENT 5

MARCH 29, 2023

### PALMS AND VICTORY

The pilgrims packed Jerusalem during the Feast of Passover, waving palm branches and singing praises to the donkey-riding King who came to save. Not knowing exactly how or even when He would declare His victory over His foes, the multitudes celebrated and were “altogether joyful” (Deuteronomy 16:15). We can have the same joy and gladness in our hearts today as Jesus comes to us through the promised treasures of His Word. Because we have received the full story of His saving actions for us, we are blessed to know that by His death and resurrection that week of Passover, our humble King has delivered us from our enemies—Satan, sin, and death. Let us together be “altogether joyful” in Jesus!

PRESERVICE MUSIC "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" (arr. Cota) & "What Wondrous Love" (arr. Geschke) JuBELLation Choir

#### OPENING SENTENCES

*LSB*, p. 229

- 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.**
- C** **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 +

PSALM

*Psalm 92:1–4, 12–15*

- P** It is good to give thanks to the LORD,  
**C** to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;  
**P** to declare Your steadfast love in the morning, and Your faithfulness by night,  
**C** to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.  
**P** For You, O LORD, have made me glad by Your work;  
**C** at the works of Your hands I sing for joy.  
**P** The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.  
**C** They are planted in the house of the LORD;  
**P** they flourish in the courts of our God.  
**C** They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green,  
**P** to declare that the LORD is upright;  
**C** He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.  
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.

HYMN

+ READINGS +

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

*Calvary*

READING

*Revelation 7:9–17*

- P** A reading from Revelation, the seventh chapter.  
<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup>and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” <sup>11</sup>And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.” <sup>13</sup>Then

one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” <sup>14</sup>I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup>“Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple; and He who sits on the throne will shelter them with His presence. <sup>16</sup>They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. <sup>17</sup>For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and He will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

#### LENT RESPONSORY

*LSB*, p. 231

**P** Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

**C** **Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.**

**P** In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.

**C** **Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.**

**P** Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

**C** **Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.**

#### HYMN

“Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus” (*LSB* 531)

#### SERMON

Palms and Victory

+ CANTICLE +

#### ANTIPHON

*LSB*, p. 231

**P** Let my prayer rise before You as incense,

**C** **and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

+ PRAYER +

KYRIE

*LSB*, p. 233

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

LORD'S PRAYER

*LSB*, p. 233

- 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.

COLLECTS

- P** O Lord, hear my prayer.
- C** And let my cry come to You.
- P** Lord Jesus Christ...

BENEDICAMUS

*LSB*, p. 234

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

BENEDICTION

*LSB*, p. 234

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

HYMN