April 13, 2025

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION

P: Beloved in the Lord, let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Scripture Reading

John 12:12-19

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So 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!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His 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. The crowd that had been with Him when He called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet Him was that they heard He had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after Him."

HYMN Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

 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

PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BENEDICTION

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you now and always.

C: Amen.

HYMN Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

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.

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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