

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Please take a moment during the Prelude to silence your cell phones and quietly prepare yourself for worship.

WELCOME AND MINUTES FOR MINISTRY

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Will you follow? Will you lay down your coat? Will you lay down something important?

People: Will you shout "Hosanna"? Will you join the parade?

Leader: Will you sing, even if your throat is hoarse?

People: Will you cut down a palm branch? Will you wave it in the air?

Leader: Will you follow the one riding on a donkey? Will you let this good news inspire you to act?

People: We will. We will sing. We will pay close attention. We will worship. We will follow. Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH FOR LENT

I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ.

It sounds like welcome and feels like home.

It sounds like laughter and feels like mercy.

It sounds like love and feels like a seat at the table,

so I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ.

I have seen it alive in the world. And even when my heart aches, even when wars rage, even when mercy feels out of reach, I remember the one who welcomed the children and led with nonviolence.

I remember the one who cared for the vulnerable and inspired those around him.

I remember that the good news really is good news, for I have seen it alive in the world.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*HYMN "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" Hymnal 197

RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Jesus of Nazareth, we know that you spent your days teaching and healing. You marched through the streets and walked on water. You laid hands on the sick and broke bread at crowded dinner tables. Your good news was not confined to conversation. It was not confined to the Temple. Your good news was an act of love, alive in the world. Holy God, we long for a faith like that. Forgive us for the times when we confine our faith to something we think about, as opposed to something we act upon. Inspire us to love as you loved. Inspire us to act. With hope for tomorrow we pray, amen.

*WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Church family, whether or not you wave your palm branch, whether or not you live out your faith, whether or not you allow this good news to inspire your actions, God will never stop loving you. Jesus will never stop marching for you. The Spirit will never stop listening to you. We are claimed, loved, and held in grace. What good, good news.

All: Amen!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE	Mark 11:1-11	Pew Bible p.717
	James 2:1-18	Pew Bible p.854

MESSAGE

Pastor Blake Severson

*HYMN "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" Hymnal 700

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
THE LORD'S PRAYER
INVITATION TO THE OFFERING
OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD
OFFERTORY

* "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymnal 606

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GOING INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN "What Wondrous Love Is This" Hymnal 215

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

**Those who are able please stand*

WELCOME to worship - we are glad that you're here! If you are visiting today and would like to share your contact information with the office, there are welcome cards in the pew pockets. Please fill one out and place it in the offering plate during the collection time. Everyone is invited to stay for coffee, snacks, and fellowship in the narthex after worship.



LARGE PRINT HYMNALS with a black cover are on the small bookcase in the rear of the sanctuary.



Children up to Kindergarten age are welcome in the nursery. There are clipboards with coloring pages in the narthex if your children wish to stay in the sanctuary.

The communion table flowers for March are sponsored by Lucy Witt.





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