

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 13, 2014

Palm Sunday / Passion Sunday

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Luis González

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-20, 22-29

L: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures for ever!

P: Let Israel say, “His steadfast love endures for ever!”

L: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

P: This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

L: The stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner.

P: This is the LORD’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

L: This is the day which the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P: Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

L: Blessed be he who enters in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.

P: The LORD is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the corners of the altar!

L: You are my God, and I will give you thanks; you are my God, I will extol you.

P: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures for ever!

***UNISON OPENING PRAYER**

Holy God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – we ask your blessing as we gather for worship, and as we enter Holy Week. Draw us ever closer to you, and fill us with awe and humility as we remember your saving acts in Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN**

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION ~ From the PCUSA *Book of Common Worship*

God of mercy, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you, and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves as pure when we are stained, and as great when we are small. Jesus was welcomed by the crowds on Palm Sunday; in the same way, we welcome you in times of prosperity, and we turn to you in time of need. But at other times, we have rejected you, in order to follow our own way. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

(Silent prayer and personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

***GLORIA PATRI**

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ANTHEM

When Christ Comes To Die

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN’S LESSON *(Preschool through 2nd grade children may be led to Junior Church following the children’s message. Older children’s bulletins are in the vestibule.)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL LESSON ~ Matthew 21: 1-11 ~ Page 855 in the pew Bible

And when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If any one says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord has need of them,’ and he will send them immediately.” This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, “Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass.” The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon. Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” And when he entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, “Who is this?” And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee.”

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Isaiah 52:13-53:12 ~ Pages 633-634 in the pew Bible

Behold, my servant shall prosper, he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. As many were astonished at him – his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of any person – so shall he startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which has not been told them they shall see, and that which they have not heard they shall understand.

Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or comeliness that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by people; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to their own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,

yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth. By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

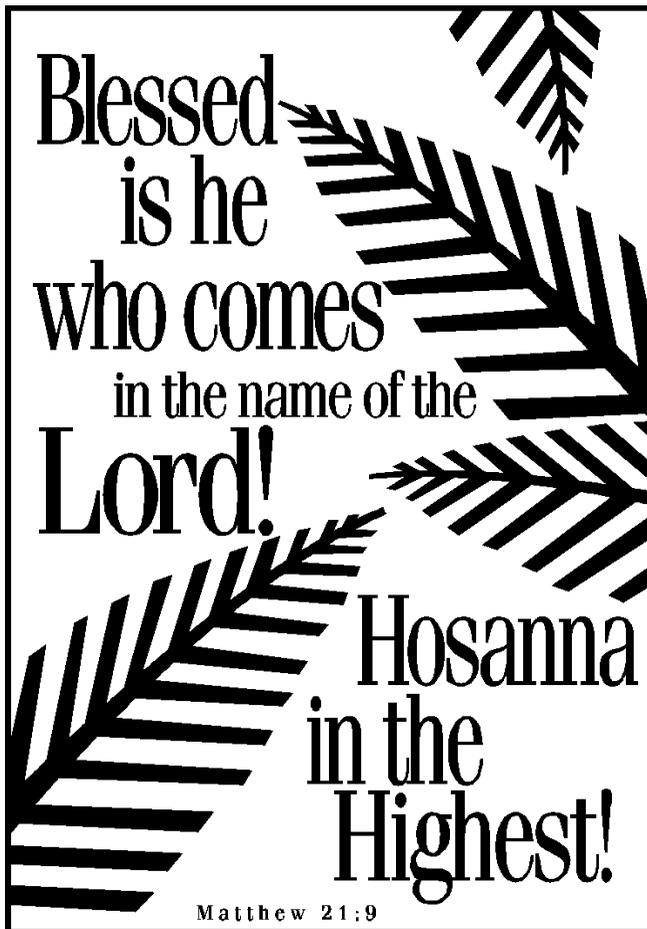
Yet it was the will of the LORD to bruise him; he has put him to grief; when he makes himself an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand; he shall see the fruit of the travail of his soul and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous; and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out his soul to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

L: This is the word of the Lord; **P: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Prophecy, Palms and Passion" Rev. Frank Wyche
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* Inside front cover of hymnal
*HYMN *All Glory, Laud and Honor* #300
OFFERING
OFFERTORY
*DOXOLOGY #815
PRAYER OF DEDICATION
JOYS AND CONCERNS
MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (...debtors/debtors...)
*HYMN *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* #316
*BENEDICTION
*CHORAL RESPONSE *Amen* Chancel Choir
POSTLUDE Luis González

*Those who are able may stand.

BOLDFACE TYPE indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.



Blessed
is he
who comes
in the name of the
Lord!
Hosanna
in the
Highest!
Matthew 21:9

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