

# Heritage United Methodist Church

APRIL 10, 2022, PALM SUNDAY

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Maria Campbell

Song of Praise Tell Me the Stories of Jesus #277 UMH

Opening Prayer Liturgist—BJ Clark

God of grace and glory blessed is your Son, who comes in your holy name. Awaken our ears to hear your word and heed your wisdom. Show us the way to live, even when the path is difficult. May your light guide our journey. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

Special Music Ho Ho Ho Hosanna & Give Me Oil in My Lamp Heritage Children

Children's Moment & Parade Hosanna, Loud Hosanna, #278 UMH Rev. Maria Campbell

Centering Song Majesty, Worship His Majesty #176 UMH

Scripture Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Liturgist—BJ Clark

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Suyeol Bae

Anthem Hosanna Praise is Rising (Brown & Baloche)

Russ & Melissa Barker

Scripture

Luke 19:28-40

Rev. Maria Campbell

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

Message Even the Stones... Rev. Maria Campbell

Offertory

Doxology #95 UMH

Dedication of Offering

Liturgist—BJ Clark

Generous God, as we bring our gifts this day, we do so in the humble gratitude and recognition that all blessings come as a gift of your grace. Multiply these offerings and use our gifts for the good of your creation. We pray in the name of your greatest gift, Jesus our redeemer. Amen.

Closing Song All Glory Laud and Honor, v 1,3,4,5 #280 UMH

Blessing Rev. Maria Campbell

Postlude

Worship Song Leader - Jacob Eppel Pianist—Jenny Memmott Organist—Margaret Cinotto



We hope you will join us outside (meet in the circle drive) after worship for our Palm Parade around the church.

# A Devotion for the sixth week of Lent

John 13:1-17

The great philosopher Tim McGraw once wrote, "I went sky diving, I went Rocky Mountain climbing, I went 2.7 seconds on a bull named Fumanchu, and I loved deeper, and I spoke sweeter, and I gave forgiveness I have been denying" when he asked a friend for his reaction to news he was dying. Many of us would probably react in a similar way under a similar situation. However, our role as Christians is to ask the famous question what would Jesus do? The text in John 13 gives us this incredible picture of, the ever counter cultural, Jesus' reaction to his knowledge that "...the hour had come for Him to leave this world and go to the Father... (v1)". He starts in a way we can all relate to by gathering up the people he loves to share a meal with them. Then, he moves into something less typical of our culture as he turns to His servant nature when "...He got up from the meal, took off His outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, He poured water into a basin and begin to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around Him. (v4-5)". Even though Jesus knows he is about to go to the cross he is still serving the people of God. This is a great example of how a life in the kingdom of Jesus is marked by service. We are both served by Jesus and called into service like Jesus. In verse eight we can see that Peter initially tries to resist being served by Jesus, "'No', said Peter, 'you shall never wash my feet'. I see how that seemed like the right thing to say and I can see that being my reaction. However, Jesus stressing the importance of being served by Him said, "... Unless I wash you, you have no part with me (v8)". This is a great illustration of how we enter the kingdom of heaven. We cannot earn our way into heaven because of our sinful nature and actions but we require the servant nature of Christ to intercede on our behalf. We don't come to God with something to offer but we come with dirty feet in need to be washed by our perfect savior. Once we accept this, the greatest act of service, we move into a life of service. Jesus goes on in verse 14 to call the disciples into a life of service, "Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. (v14). Our service to our fellow people is a wonderful and appropriate response to the gracious service of Christ. Though, even more than just an expression of worship the passage continues to tell us in verse 17 "Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them." When we think of people who have been greatly blessed, it isn't often the person with the best service opportunities. However, the passage tells us service is where we will find our blessing. Often, it is easiest to see how service was a blessing in hindsight. The summer after I graduated from college, I worked at a church camp. At the time I didn't feel like the most blessed: it was very hot, there were spiders in my bed, and we were working long hours. Despite all those things, when I looked back, I see that time as one of the most blessed times in my life - getting to see those boys have their lives transformed by Christ. At the end of the summer, I even heard one of my campers when home and got baptized in his local church. When I heard that, I started to see how blessed I was to be a part of the transformative work of the Lord even if I had to relocate a spider or two. As we move through the Lenten season together, I encourage you to look to the past at times when you were blessed because you took the opportunity to serve and look for those opportunities to serve in your present while you remember that Jesus first served us.

-Written by Jake Weskamp

## Worship Song Sheet 4.10.22

### Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear; things I would ask him to tell me if he were here: scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

First let me hear how the children stood round his knee, and I shall fancy his blessing resting on me; words full of kindness, deeds full of grace, all in the lovelight of Jesus' face.

Into the city I'd follow the children's band, waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand; one of his heralds, yes, I would sing loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King!"

### 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.

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.

"Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

### Majesty, Worship His Majesty

Majesty, worship his majesty; unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.

Majesty, kingdom authority, flow from his throne unto his own; his anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus. Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.

Majesty, worship his majesty, Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

# All Glory Laud and Honor, v 1,3,4,5

Refrain-All glory, laud, and honor, to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Verse 1 – Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One.

#### Refrain

Verse 3 – The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our prayer and praise and anthems before thee we present.

#### Refrain

Verse 4 – To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

### Refrain

Verse 5 – Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring; who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.

#### Refrain