

#### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENT**

Please take a moment to complete the care pad in your pew.

Peace be with you. And also with you.

#### **PRELUDE**

Fanfare and March on "St. Theodulph"

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

We raise our voices and wave with joyful hope the palms of deliverance of God's people. Hosanna! Hosanna to the Son of David!

Our hearts are filled with expectation as we welcome the coming king.

Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

We receive into the crowded streets of our lives the one who is Savior, not only of us, but of all the earth.

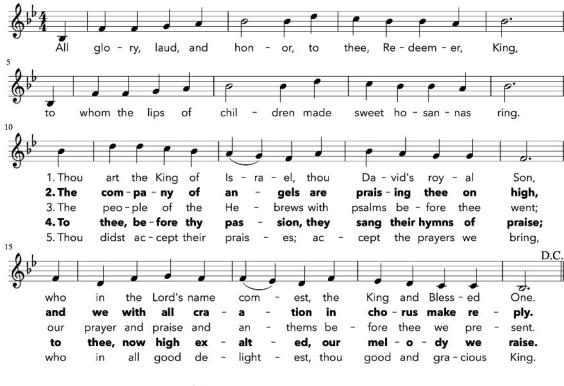
Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Let us worship God.

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Gracious God,
as we enter this Holy Week,
strengthen us to move beyond
the festive parade of palms
and to follow Jesus into the way of the cross,
that united with him and all the faithful,
we may one day enter through the gates of righteousness
into the eternal city, the New Jerusalem,
where we may praise you with Christ
and the Holy Spirit forever. Amen.

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#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

On this Sunday, O God,
we remember how quickly we change.
How fickle we are,
how we pledge our devotion one moment
and turn our backs the next.
We go from shouting "Hosanna! Save Us!"
to "Crucify Him."

We declare that we love our neighbors and then we turn our backs on the homeless and hungry in our communities.

We speak up for change and justice in one breath, and then continue unjust practices in daily lives by what we consume and the needs we ignore.

Forgive us, O God, for we are half-hearted believers. Forgive us, O God, for we are partial justice warriors. Forgive us, O God, for we tire easily and we forget, and we grow weary.

Forgive us, restore us, and renew us for the journey of faith, so that we might become whole people who live wholly into Your vision of new life.

In the name of Christ, who lived into the fullness of humanity, and whom we follow. Amen.

#### \*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

The eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped.

Even we shall believe, even we shall be led back to faith,
by the grace and mercy of the one who never stops seeking after this beloved

Creation. We are loved, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

#### **\*SUNG RESPONSE**

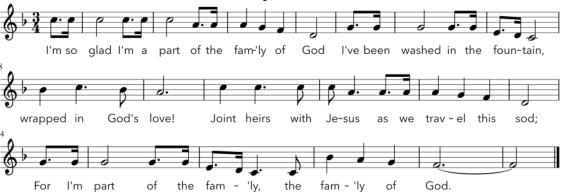
#### **Kyrie**

Kyrie eleison is Greek for "God (or Lord) have mercy." Christe eleison is Greek for "Christ, have mercy." During the penitent season of Lent, we plead God's mercy for our shortcomings.



#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

#### **Family of God**

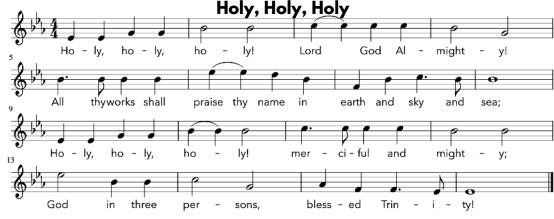


#### **INVITATION TO GIVE**

#### **OFFERTORY**

Hosanna! (Praise is Rising) Westfield Choir





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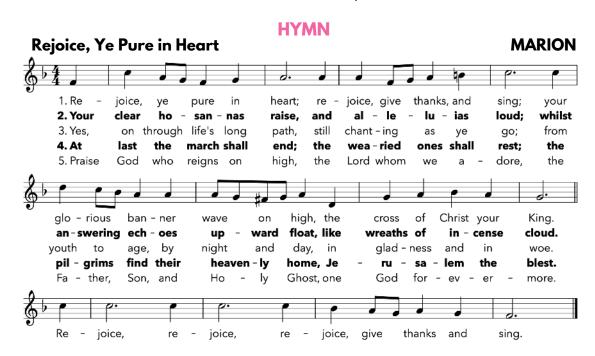
King David answered, 'Summon king's presence, and stood before the king. The king swore, saying, 'As the Lord lives, who has saved my life from every adversity, as I swore to you by the Lord, the God of Israel, "Your son Solomon shall succeed me as king, and he shall sit on my throne in my place", so will I do this day.' Then Bathsheba did obeisance to the king, and said, 'May my lord King David live for ever!' King David said, 'Summon to me the priest Zadok, the prophet Nathan, and Benaiah son of Jehoiada.' When they came before the king, the king said to them, 'Take with you the servants of your lord, and have my son Solomon ride on my own mule, and bring him down to Gihon. There let the priest Zadok and the prophet Nathan anoint him king over Israel; then blow the trumpet, and say, "Long live King Solomon!"

You shall go up following him. Let him Bathsheba to me.' So she came into the enter and sit on my throne; he shall be king in my place; for I have appointed him to be ruler over Israel and over Judah.' Benaiah son of Jehoiada answered the king, 'Amen! May the Lord, the God of my lord the king, so ordain. As the Lord has been with my lord the king, so may he be with Solomon, and make his throne greater bowed with her face to the ground, and than the throne of my lord King David.' So the priest Zadok, the prophet Nathan, and Benaiah son of Jehoiada. and the Cherethites and the Pelethites, went down and had Solomon ride on King David's mule, and led him to Gihon. There the priest Zadok took the horn of oil from the tent and anointed Solomon. Then they blew the trumpet, and all the people said, 'Long live King Solomon!' And all the people went up following him, playing on pipes and rejoicing with great joy, so that the earth quaked at their noise.

#### **GOSPEL LESSON**

#### **MATTHEW 21:1-3**

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.



Look, your king is coming to you,

humble, and mounted on a donkey,

and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them;

they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them.

#### **HYMN** STORIES OF JESUS Tell Me the Stories of Jesus 1 1. Tell me the sto - ries sus love to hear; 2. First let chil - dren his me hear how the stood round knee. - low 3. In - to l'd fol the chil dren's the cit - y band, would ask him tell me if he things 1 to were here: ing shall fan - cy his and bless rest ing on me; way - ing branch of the palm tree high hand; side, the tales of scenes by way the sea. full full of kind of words ness, deeds grace, his her alds, would yes, sing 13 ries of Je tell them

#### **GOSPEL LESSON**

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#### **MATTHEW 21:8-11**

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A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

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Hosanna in the highest heaven!' When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.

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#### **GOSPEL LESSON**

#### **MATTHEW 21:12-13**

Then Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who were selling and buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold doves. He said to them, 'It is written,

"My house shall be called a house of prayer"; but you are making it a den of robbers."





"Out of the mouths of infants and nursing babies you have prepared praise for yourself"?"

He left them, went out of the city to Bethany, and spent the night there.

## LENTEN PROCLAMATION Is He Worthy?

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We do (x4) It is. (x4)

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal,
and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah,
who conquered the grave
He is David's root and the lamb
who died to ransom the slave.
Is he worthy? Is he worthy?
Of all blessing and honor and glory?
Is he worthy of this?
He is.

God does. She Does. He Does. God Does.



#### **REVELATION 21: 1-6A, 22-26**

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations.

Jerusalem, Jerusalem! Lift up your gates and sing! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna to our king

"Jerusalem, Jerusalem! Hark! How the Angels sing Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna to your King!"

"Jerusalem! Jerusalem Sing for the night is o'er Hosanna in the highest Hosanna for evermore

#### **DISMISSAL**

And now we lay down the palm branches. And with them we lay down our belief that there is another way for you to be God.

As the last echo of the final hosanna fades, so does our hope that this journey can end in any other way

The week stretches ahead glory-less and pain-full

Whether we walk with all faith or none we look towards the cross, knowing it is both the most human and most divine of all journeys

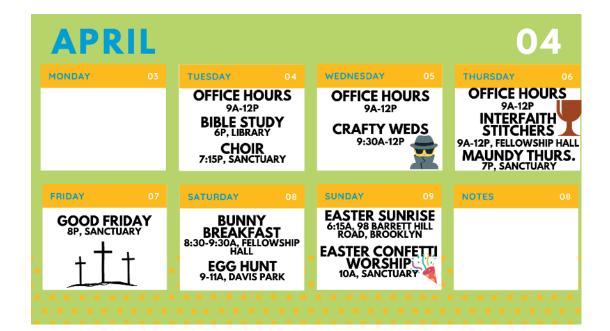
travel the road with courage, with love, and with the uneasy peace that is the gift of faith into this holiest of weeks.

Amen.

#### **BENEDICTION**

#### \*POSTLUDE

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#### CRAFTY WEDNESDAYS!

Help us make the adornments for our Easter celebration! Wednesdays starting at 9:30 am **EASTER EGG HUNT:** 

April 8th starting at 9 am! Volunteers needed!

> Times: Toddlers at 9a **Pre-2nd at 9:30a** 3-5th at 10a

#### BUNNY BREAKFAST!

8:30A-9:30A, April 8 Tix available online shopwestfield.org

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## **HOLY WEEK AT WESTFIELD**

4.6 // 7pm

Maundy Thursday: The Service of Shadows

4.7 //8pm

Good Friday: The Devastation of the Cross

4.9 // 6:15am

Easter Sunrise Service (98 BARRETT HILL RD, BROOKLYN)

4.9 // 10am Easter Confetti Worship

### SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

LAY LITURGIST: DONNA BRONWELL **GREETERS: DAN & LINDA PACHECO** 



# **WESTFIELD TO-GO**

WHAT WORDS, PHRASES OR IMAGES STICK WITH YOU FROM TODAY'S READING?

WORDS FROM SCRIPTURE

JOT DOWN A FEW THOUGHTS FROM THE SERMON YOU'D LIKE TO CARRY WITH YOU THS WEEK.







THIS WEEK, I WILL PRAY FOR...
PRAYER REQUESTS FROM TODAY I'LL INCLUDE IN MY PRAYERS THIS WEEK.

HELP

**THANKS** 

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