

BLESSED
IS **HE** WHO COMES
IN THE NAME
OF THE **LORD**
MATTHEW 21:9



HOSANNA

Palm Sunday
March 28, 2021
10:30 a.m.

We Gather

Jesus' life of perfect obedience leads Him finally to the gates of Jerusalem. He must now fulfill the prophecies regarding the coming King of Israel. He does that in memorable fashion, turning the people's expectations upside down by an entrance marked by humility and solemnity. In this most holy of weeks, our Lord calls on each of us, not to cheer from the sidelines, but rather to join with Him in His walk to the cross and the empty tomb. May His Spirit bless you this week as you take that walk.

Hosanna by Brooke Ligertwood

**I see the King of glory Coming on the clouds with fire
The whole earth shakes The whole earth shakes yeah**

**I see His love and mercy Washing over all our sin
The people sing The people sing**

Chorus

**Hosanna hosanna Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna hosanna Hosanna in the highest**

**I see a generation Rising up to take their place
With selfless faith With selfless faith**

**I see a near revival Stirring as we pray and seek
We're on our knees We're on our knees Chorus**

(Bridge)

**Heal my heart and make it clean
Open up my eyes to the things unseen
Show me how to love like You have loved me
Break my heart for what breaks Yours
Everything I am for Your Kingdom's cause
As I walk from earth into eternity Chorus**

Welcome

Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: "Return to Me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning . . ." declares the Lord.

People: For He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Joel 2:12-13, adapted

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

People: O God, in Your mercy, wash away our sins. Cleanse us from the stain and guilt of our sins, those we know and those of which we are unaware. In our thinking, our speaking, and our doing, we have exalted ourselves. We lack true humility. We deserve Your wrath and punishment. For the sake of Jesus Christ, turn Your eyes from our iniquity and cover our guilt. Open for us the gates of righteousness. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. By the blood of God's covenant with us, we have been freed from all our sin. The Lord has made His light shine upon us!

People: Let every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Palm Sunday Gospel

John 12:12-19

Pastor: ¹²The next day the large crowd that had come for the Feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹³So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out,

People: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"

Pastor: ¹⁴And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

People: ¹⁵"Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your King is coming sitting on a donkey's colt."

Pastor: ¹⁶His 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.

¹⁷The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. ¹⁸The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. ¹⁹So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

by Paul Baloche and Brenton Brown

(During the singing of this song, the children may wave their palm branches while standing in the center or side aisles or from the pew.)

**Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You; We turn to You;
Hope is stirring hearts are yearning for You; We long for You;**

Pre-Chorus:

**'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day;
In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away.**

Chorus

**Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God who saves us,
Worthy of all our praises.
Hosanna, hosanna, come have Your way among us;
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus.**

**Hear the sound of hearts returning to You; We turn to You;
In Your Kingdom broken lives are made new, You make us new;**

Pre-Chorus (2 times)

Chorus (2 times)

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 9:9–12

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Epistle

Philippians 2:5–11

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Jesus Messiah by Daniel Carson, Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash and Jesse Reeves

**He became sin who knew no sin
That we might become His righteousness
He humbled Himself and carried the cross
Love so amazing love so amazing**

Chorus

**Jesus Messiah Name above all names Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel
The Rescue for sinners The Ransom from heaven
Jesus Messiah Lord of all**

**His body the bread His blood the wine
Broken and poured out all for love
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn
Love so amazing love so amazing**

Bridge

**All our hope is in You All our hope is in You
All the glory to You God The Light of the world**

Holy Gospel

John 12:20–43

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. ²¹So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²²Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

²⁷"Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." ³³He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. ³⁴So the crowd answered him, "We

have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" ³⁵So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. ³⁶While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light."

When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. ³⁷Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, ³⁸so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

"Lord, who has believed what he heard from us,
and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?"

³⁹Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said,

⁴⁰"He has blinded their eyes
and hardened their heart,
lest they see with their eyes,
and understand with their heart, and turn,
and I would heal them."

⁴¹Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him.

⁴²Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; ⁴³for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

Nicene Creed

What A Beautiful Name by Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood

**You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ**

**What a beautiful Name it is What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

**You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now**

**What a wonderful Name it is What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

Bridge

**Death could not hold You The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory For You are raised to life again**

**You have no rival You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names**

**What a powerful Name it is What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

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Sermon

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by Lowell Mason, Chris Tomlin, and Jesse Reeves

**Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an off'ring far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all. Chorus**

We Lift Our Hearts in Prayer

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Distribution Songs

Communion Song by Jonathan Stockstill

**Let's have a meal Let me reveal who I am
I'm your Savior I will kneel down
And wash all the sin from your soul
I'm your servant I am all you need**

Chorus

**I'm the lamb that was slain And my blood washes you clean
I'm the pure sacrifice Let my life give you life
I'm the lamb**

**I am the bread Given for every man
I sustain you Drink from the cup
It is my blood shed for all I'm redemption
I am all you need Oh I am everything Chorus**

Bridge

**We cry worthy We cry worthy
We cry worthy Is the lamb of God**

Chorus 2

**You're the lamb that was slain And your blood washes us clean
You're the pure sacrifice Let your life give us life
(You're the lamb)**

Jesus Rock Of Ages by Christy and Nathan Nockels

I'm not alone there's a stone I'm built on
There's a love that will never let me go
He hears my ev'ry cry
He knows how to understand me
He is my one defense day and night

Chorus

I rest my soul on the Rock of the ages oh
And my feet stand firm on a sure foundation oh
All my hope in this salvation oh
Jesus Jesus Rock of ages

Precious cornerstone the one for all generations
Laid that I would hide myself in You
Through ev'ry trial and storm
When all else is sinking
There is none so faithful and so true **Chorus**

Bridge

When my heart is faint my faith is small
Oh hide me Lord
And when all is well through it all
Oh hide me Lord (Repeat bridge) **Chorus**

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me by Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Michael Farren

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me

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Yet not I but through Christ in me
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Communion Dismissal

The Blessing

Your Name Is Power by Chris Llewellyn and Gareth Gilkeson

You're the only answer to the darkness
You're the only right among the wrong
You're the only hope among the chaos
You are the voice that calls me on

Pre-Chorus

Louder than ev'ry lie My sword in ev'ry fight
The truth will chase away the night

Chorus

Your name is power over darkness Freedom for the captives
Mercy for the broken and the hopeless
Your name is faithful in the battle Glory in the struggle
Mighty it won't let us down or fail us
(Your name is power) (Your name is power)

**I know it is written hope is certain
I know that the Word will never fail
I know that in ev'ry situation
You speak the power to prevail Chorus**

**Bridge
When You speak You scatter darkness
Light arrives and heaven opens
Holy Spirit let us hear it
When You speak the church awakens
We believe the change is coming
Holy Spirit let us see it (Repeat) Chorus**

**Your name is power over darkness
Your name is power in the chaos Your name is power**

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**Maundy Thursday with Holy Communion
Thursday, April 1, 7 p.m.**

**Good Friday Services
Service of the Cross with Communion - 12:00 noon
Tenebrae Service - 7:00 p.m.**

**Easter Sunday with Communion
7:30 and 9:00 a.m. – Traditional
10:30 a.m. - Contemporary**