



Union Evangelical Lutheran Church

April 5, 2020

Gathering Video “Hosanna in the Highest” *On Palm Sunday, the multitude anticipated His arrival. They cut down palm branches and placed them on His path. They cried out, “Hosanna in the highest!” (Hyper Pixel Media)*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Children of God, Rejoice! Sing out in celebration, God's people!
Your King is coming to you, humble, riding on a donkey, on a donkey's foal.

Church Family: Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes in the Lord's name. Glory to God! Hosanna!

PRAISE AND CELEBRATION

Lord God, loving Friend and Parent, You deserve our worship, our love and our devotion, Because You have entered our broken world, You have joined us on our journey of pain and pleasure, of sorrow and joy, And have given us access to life eternal and abundant.

We lift our voices to praise You, O God.

We celebrate Your coming to us, Not with political power or military might, Not with glamour or fame or wealth, But in humility and love, gently and with great compassion.

We lift our voices to praise You, O God.

CONFESSION

Lord Jesus Christ, We recognize that Your life among us was one of sacrifice, That You came to confront the hatred, fear, violence and evil in us. That You seek to throw over the tables of greed and injustice in us. Forgive us when we resist Your coming.

When we reject You and seek to silence Your transforming and challenging influence.

Silence for reflection

Have mercy on us, O God,

Do not cease to come to us and to call us to life. Help us to embrace the way of the cross And to live in the power of Your death-defying love. For Jesus' sake. Amen.

Children's Message by Jackie Bucks

Hymn "All Glory Laud and Honor" (WorshipOn YT)

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

God draws near to us through the Scriptures.

We open our ears to hear, and we open our hearts to receive. For Jesus' sake. Amen.

Gospel- Mark 11:1-11

Sermon

Song "Give Me Jesus" by Brian, Jackie & Jordan Bucks

PRAYERS OF REQUEST

O Lord our God, So we pray and we remember that

Yes there is fear.

But there does not have to be hate.

Yes there is isolation.

But there does not have to be loneliness.

Yes there is panic buying.

But there does not have to be meanness.

Yes there is sickness.

But there does not have to be disease of the soul

Yes there is even death.

But there can always be a rebirth of love.

Hear us, O God, and come to us, In compassion and love rescue and restore us, And make us a people in whom Your gentle reign is seen. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen.**

Let us open the gates of our hearts, that the Sovereign God of Glory may come in. Let us lift our voices in praise and thanksgiving

God deserves all honor and blessing. It is our privilege and joy to exalt the Lord in every place and every moment.

And so, Dear God, we offer You our worship through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who comes to us humbly and riding on a donkey's foal.

God's Peace be with you.

Palm Sunday Procession Video – Michael Helman

