

HEARTS @ HOME



A Worship Service for Your Household

Sunday March 28, 2021

Palm Sunday

RCL: Mark 14:1-15:47

+ PALM SUNDAY LITANY+¹

Hosanna!

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

The One we have long awaited, the Messiah, has come.

Hosanna!

Riding into Jerusalem, not on a warhorse, but on a young donkey,

Hosanna!

The Prince of Peace has come, the one who heals our wounds.

Hosanna!

Everything that was foretold, Christ has fulfilled.

We offer a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

We set up a banquet, and pour costly perfume at His feet.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

This is Jesus

Whose name is glorified

This is Jesus

High and lifted up

Hosanna!

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

+ PRAYER +

Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

+ SCRIPTURE +

+ **Mark 14:1-15:47**

+ **Spark Story Bible:** Palm Sunday (Pages 454-459),

+ **Northwest Synod of Wisconsin App:** Click the 'Bible' tab at the bottom.

+ REFLECTION ON GOD'S WORD +

Option 1: Click on your congregation's sermon video or live worship link

Option 2: Use the following questions for in-home conversation or personal reflection

Option 3: Use questions for reflection + **Coloring Sheet** (page 4)

Questions:

- + How does the presence of violence toward Jesus in the passion story impact you? Does it affect the way you see violence in the world today?
- + What does Jesus' humility mean to you? How would you describe it?
- + What do you wonder about this story? What are the most impactful pieces of this story to you?

+ APOSTLES' CREED +

I believe in God, the Father Almighty
Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, And he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.

+ PRAYERS +

With all the people of God, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

- + With hearts of gratitude, God of love, we give you thanks for all the ways your generosity overflows in this world; you provide what we need, remain faithful in your presence, and humbly face violence and death for our sake; Help us daily to understand the depth of these gifts. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**
- + We lift up all your children who are feeling broken in mind, body and spirit, especially those who are ill, grieving, lonely, food or housing insecure, afraid, victimized from abuse or violence, those facing addictions, and all others who are suffering in any way; surround them with the love and compassion they need and comfort them with your presence and unconditional love. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**
- + Good and gracious God, you invite us to recognize and reverence your divine image and likeness in our neighbor. Enable us to see the reality of racism and free us to challenge and uproot it from our society, our world, and ourselves. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**
- + God, whose Spirit moved over the deep: We thank you for the gift of water – the waters on the earth, and under the earth, the water above us, and within us. Make us mindful of the care of all the planet's water, that it may richly sustain life for us and for those who come after us; through Jesus Christ, source of living water. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**
- + *Add your own prayers here...*

Loving God, we give all these prayers to you, trusting in your mercy and grace. **AMEN.**

+ OFFERING +

As people of faith we are called to continue strengthening the ministry of the church, even when we are physically distant. We invite you to prayerfully consider a gift to your congregation or the synod – as the body of Christ we work together to serve our neighbors.

+ LORD'S PRAYER +

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
On earth, as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
Now and forever. **AMEN.**

+ BLESSING EACH OTHER +

Using your pointer finger, dip it in the bowl of water and make the sign of the cross on another's forehead or the back of their hand saying, **"You are a beloved child of God."**
Take turns until all in the household have been blessed.

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1 Litany found: <http://www.franpratt.com/litanies/2016/3/11/lent-series>*

Other Lenten Ideas can be found here:
<http://nswi.org/worship-faith-formation-at-home/lent-easter-planning>

