



**Welcome to Worship at Shepherd of the Hills**  
**Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025**  
**9:00 a.m. – Classic Hymn**

**WELCOME**

**OPENING HYMN**

No. 442 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*ref All glory, laud, and honor*

*To You, Redeemer, King,  
To whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring.*

- 1 You are the King of Israel  
And David's royal Son,  
Now in the Lord's name coming,  
Our King and Blessèd One. Refrain
- 2 The company of angels  
Is praising You on high,  
And we with all creation  
In chorus make reply. Refrain
- 3 The multitude of pilgrims  
With palms before You went;  
Our praise and prayer and anthems  
Before You we present. Refrain
- 4 To You before Your passion  
They sang their hymns of praise;  
To You, now high exalted,  
Our melody we raise. Refrain
- 5 As You received their praises,  
Accept the prayers we bring,  
O Source of ev'ry blessing,  
Our good and gracious King. Refrain

**INVOCATION**

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL: Amen.**

## **OPENING SENTENCES**

**P:** Hear my prayer, O Lord;

**ALL: let my cry come to You.**

**P:** In the day of my trouble I call upon You,

**ALL: for You answer me.**

**P:** Hide Your face from my sins,

**ALL: and blot out all my iniquities.**

**P:** Create in me a clean heart, O God,

**ALL: and renew a right spirit within me.**

**P:** Cast me not away from Your presence,

**ALL: and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.**

**P:** Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,

**ALL: and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

## **HYMN** No. 350 "Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come"

1 Come, Thou precious Ransom, come,  
Only hope for sinful mortals!  
Come, O Savior of the world!  
Open are to Thee all portals.  
Come, Thy beauty let us see;  
Anxiously we wait for Thee.

2 Enter now my waiting heart,  
Glorious King and Lord most holy.  
Dwell in me and ne'er depart,  
Though I am but poor and lowly.  
Ah, what riches will be mine  
When Thou art my guest divine!

3 My hosannas and my palms  
Graciously receive, I pray Thee;  
Evermore, as best I can,  
Savior, I will homage pay Thee,  
And in faith I will embrace,  
Lord, Thy merit through Thy grace.

4 Hail! Hosanna, David's Son!  
Jesus, hear our supplication!  
Let Thy kingdom, scepter, crown,  
Bring us blessing and salvation,  
That forever we may sing:  
Hail! Hosanna to our King.

## **THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

**P:** People God dearly loves: The Lord our God is a great God known by His justice and righteousness as well as by His mercy and love. The arrogant and proud who deny their sins will never find favor with Him, but the humble and poor in spirit who confess their sins and turn from them will find in Him their salvation. Come, together let us approach the throne of God to confess our sins and seek His forgiveness, confident that for the sake of His Son Jesus Christ, our Savior, he will hear and deliver us.

## **THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**P:** Almighty God, forgive us

**ALL:** For spiritual short-sightedness, for harboring doubts and for little faith; for failing to remember and cling to your promises; for counting too much on ourselves and too little on you, for setting our hearts and minds so little on heaven and so much on here and now; for all the troubles we bring on ourselves and on those around us. For Jesus' sake, forgive us all our sins. Amen.

## **HYMN "There Is a Redeemer"**

There is a redeemer  
Jesus, God's own son  
Precious lamb of God, Messiah  
Holy one

Jesus my redeemer  
Name above all names  
Precious lamb of God, Messiah  
Oh, for sinners slain.

Thank you oh my father  
For giving us your son  
And leaving your spirit  
'Til the work on earth is done.

When I stand in glory  
I will see his face  
And there I'll serve my king forever  
In that holy place.

Thank you oh my father  
For giving us your son  
And leaving your spirit  
'Til the work on earth is done.

There is a redeemer  
Jesus, God's own son  
Precious lamb of God, Messiah  
Holy one

Thank you oh my father  
For giving us your son  
And leaving your spirit  
'Til the work on earth is done.  
And leaving your spirit  
'Till the work on earth is done.

### **CHRISTIAN GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: (SPOKEN) And also with you.**

**P:** Let us pray: Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**ALL: Amen.**

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Deuteronomy 32:36–39

**L.** The Old Testament Reading is from 32<sup>nd</sup> chapter of Deuteronomy beginning with the 9<sup>th</sup> verse:

The Lord will vindicate his people  
and have compassion on his servants,  
when he sees that their power is gone  
and there is none remaining, bond or free.  
Then he will say, "Where are their gods,  
the rock in which they took refuge,  
who ate the fat of their sacrifices  
and drank the wine of their drink offering?  
Let them rise up and help you;  
let them be your protection!

"See now that I, even I, am he,  
and there is no god beside me;  
I kill and I make alive;  
I wound and I heal;  
and there is none that can deliver out of my hand."

**L:** The Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM RESPONSE**

**Cantor:** Open to me the gates of | righteousness,\*  
that I may enter through them and give thanks | to the Lord.

**ALL:** **This is the gate | of the Lord;\***  
**the righteous shall enter | through it.**

**C:** I thank you that you have | answered me\*  
and have become my sal - | va-tion.

**ALL:** **The stone that the builders re - | jec-ted\***  
**has become the | cornerstone.**

**C:** This is the Lord's | do-ing;\*,  
it is marvelous | in our eyes.

**ALL:** **This is the day that the | Lord has made;\***  
**let us rejoice and be | glad in it.**

**C:** Save us, we | pray, O Lord!\*,  
O Lord, we pray, give | us success!

**ALL:** **Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the Lord!\***  
**We bless you from the house | of the Lord.**

**C:** You are my God, and I will give | thanks to you;\*,  
you are my God; I will ex - | tol you.

**ALL:** **Oh give thanks to the Lord, for | he is good;\***  
**for his steadfast love endures for - | ev-er!**

**(Psalm 118:19–29)**

## **EPISTLE READING**

Philippians 2:5-11

**L:** The Epistle Reading is from the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter of Philippians beginning with the 5<sup>th</sup> verse:

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

**L:** The Word of the Lord.

**ALL:** **Thanks be to God.**

L: Please stand for the Holy Gospel.

### **LSB 157 Return to the Lord**

#### **HOLY GOSPEL**

John 12:12-19

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**ALL: Glory to You, O Lord.**

12 The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. 13 So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" 14 And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, 15 "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" 16 His 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. 17 The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. 18 The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. 19 So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**ALL: Praise to You, O Christ.**

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

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

**And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God  
the Father Almighty.  
From thence he will come to judge the living and the  
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S PALM SUNDAY MEDLEY "Hosanna"**

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

#### **HYMN No. 443 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"**

- 1 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.
  
- 2 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.
  
- 3 "Hosanna in the highest!"  
That ancient song we sing;  
For Christ is our Redeemer,  
The Lord of heav'n our King.  
Oh, may we ever praise Him  
With heart and life and voice  
And in His blissful presence  
Eternally rejoice!

### **SERMON**

**MUSICAL OFFERING** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" arranged by Jeff Cranfill, played by Shepherd Band and Jr. Hi. Ram Band.

### **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

## **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.**

## **BENEDICTION**

### **CLOSING HYMN**

No. 441 "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.  
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road,  
With palms and scattered garments strowed.
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die.  
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin  
O'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
The angel armies of the sky  
Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes  
To see the approaching sacrifice.
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh.  
The Father on His sapphire throne  
Awaits His own anointed Son.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die.  
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,  
Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

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Liturgist: Pastor Andy Johnson  
Director of Worship: Roger Howard