

# PALM SUNDAY

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

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## **Sunday of the Passion / Palm Sunday**

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### Welcome and Announcements

#### Celebration of Anniversaries

#### Acclamation (ELW page 256)

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#### Processional Gospel: Luke 19:28-40

<sup>28</sup> After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup> When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, “Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’ ” <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” <sup>34</sup> They said, “The Lord needs it.” <sup>35</sup> Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> Now as he was approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying, “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!” <sup>39</sup> Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.” <sup>40</sup> He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.”

P: This is the gospel of our Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

#### Blessing of Palms (ELW page 256)

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

#### Procession (ELW page 256)

P: Let us go forth in peace,

**C: in the name of Christ. Amen.**

Hymn: "Victory Chant" (CCLI 23873)

Leader Hail Jesus You're my King  
ALL Hail Jesus You're my King  
Leader Your life frees me to sing  
ALL Your life frees me to sing  
Leader I will praise You all my days  
ALL I will praise You all my days  
Leader You're perfect in all Your ways  
ALL You're perfect in all Your ways

Leader Hail Jesus You're my Lord  
ALL Hail Jesus You're my Lord  
Leader I will obey Your word  
ALL I will obey Your word  
Leader I want to see Your kingdom come  
ALL I want to see Your kingdom come  
Leader Not my will but Yours be done  
ALL Not my will but Yours be done

Leader Glory glory to the Lamb  
ALL Glory glory to the Lamb  
Leader You take me into the land  
ALL You take me into the land  
Leader We will conquer in Your name  
ALL We will conquer in Your name  
Leader And proclaim that Jesus reigns  
ALL And proclaim that Jesus reigns

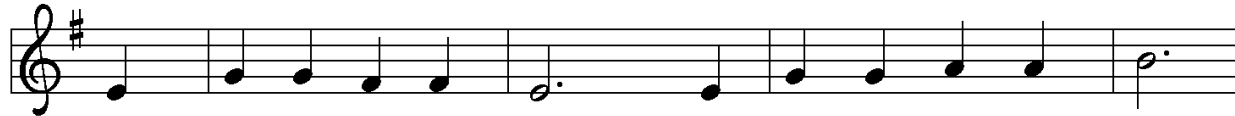
Leader Hail hail Lion of Judah  
ALL Hail hail Lion of Judah  
Leader How powerful You are  
ALL How powerful You are  
Leader Hail hail Lion of Judah  
ALL Hail hail Lion of Judah  
Leader How wonderful You are  
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Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

Kyrie: (ELW, Setting 10, page 203)



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray... **Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Presentation: The Ragman

Hymn of the Day: "Clean" by Natalie Grant (CCLI 7051604) (*video*)

Creed: "We Believe" (CCLI 6367165) (*video*)

In this time of desperation  
When all we know is doubt and fear  
There is only one foundation  
We believe we believe  
In this broken generation  
When all is dark You help us see  
There is only one salvation  
We believe we believe

**Chorus** We believe in God the Father  
We believe in Jesus Christ  
We believe in the Holy Spirit  
And He's given us new life  
We believe in the crucifixion  
We believe that He conquered death  
We believe in the resurrection  
And He's coming back again  
(We believe)

So let our faith be more than anthems  
Greater than the songs we sing  
In our weakness and temptations  
We believe we believe ***Chorus***

Let the lost be found and the dead be raised  
In the here and now let love invade  
Let the church live loud our God will save  
We believe we believe  
And the gates of hell will not prevail  
For the pow'r of God has torn the veil  
Now we know Your love will never fail  
We believe we believe ***Chorus***

He's coming back again  
He's coming back again  
We believe we believe

The Prayers of the Children of God

Each petition ends...God, in your mercy,  
**Congregation responds...receive our prayer.**

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

Offering

Offering Song: "Create In Me" (CCLI 106855)

Create in me a clean heart oh God  
That I might serve You  
Create in me a clean heart oh God  
That I might be renewed

So fill me and heal me  
And bring me back to You  
Create in me a clean heart oh God  
That I might serve You

Offering Prayer

A: Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen.**

## Thanksgiving

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

## Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray

**C: 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.**

## Invitation to Communion / Distribution of Holy Communion

P: All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.

Communion Songs: "Lamb of God" (ELW, Setting 10, page 208)

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;  
you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.  
O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.  
O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;  
eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

"There in God's Garden" (ELW 342)

There in God's garden  
stands the Tree of Wisdom,  
whose leaves hold forth  
the healing of the nations:  
Tree of all knowledge,  
Tree of all compassion,  
Tree of all beauty.

Its name is Jesus,  
name that says, "Our Savior!"  
There on its branches  
see the scars of suffering;  
see where the tendrils  
of our human selfhood  
feed on its lifeblood.

Thorns not its own  
are tangled in its foliage;  
our greed has starved it,  
our despite has choked it.  
Yet, look! it lives!  
its grief has not destroyed it  
nor fire consumed it.

See how its branches  
reach to us in welcome;  
hear what the Voice says,  
"Come to me, ye weary!  
Give me your sickness,  
give me all your sorrow,  
I will give blessing."

This is my ending,  
this my resurrection;  
into your hands, Lord,  
I commit my spirit.  
This have I searched for;  
now I can possess it.  
This ground is holy.

All heav'n is singing,  
"Thanks to Christ whose passion  
offers in mercy  
healing, strength, and pardon.  
Peoples and nations,  
take it, take it freely!"  
Amen! My Master!

#### Post-Communion Blessing

P: And now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen.**

#### Post Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray. Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

#### Blessing

P: God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit, ✠ bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

Sending Song: "My Lighthouse" (CCLI 7002032) (*video*)

In my wrestling and in my doubts  
In my failures You won't walk out  
Your great love will lead me through  
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea

In the silence You won't let go  
In the questions Your truth will hold  
Your great love will lead me through  
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea

**Chorus** My Lighthouse my Lighthouse  
Shining in the darkness  
I will follow You oh  
My Lighthouse my Lighthouse  
I will trust the promise  
You will carry me safe to shore  
Safe to shore safe to shore safe to shore

I won't fear what tomorrow brings  
With each morning I'll rise and sing  
My God's love will lead me through  
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea **Chorus**

Fire before us  
You're the brightest  
You will lead us  
Through the storms (hey)  
(REPEAT 3X)  
**Chorus**

### Dismissal

**A:** We work together to spread Christ's love with our community

**C: Through an Open Heart, Open Mind, and an Open Table.**

**A:** Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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