

## **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

**\*Indicates we will rise in body or spirit**

**Prelude**

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**Welcome**



April 13, 2025

Palm Sunday

10:00 a.m.  
service

### **God's Call to Worship—Psalm 118: 19, 22-29**

Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.

**ALL:** The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

**ALL:** Lord, save us! Lord, grant us success!  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
From the house of the Lord we bless you.

The Lord is God, and he has made his light shine on us. With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar.

**ALL:** You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

### **Video – The Triumphal Entry**

**\*Songs of Praise:**

**Hosanna**

Hosanna! Hosanna!  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna! Hosanna!  
Hosanna in the highest!

Lord we lift up your name,  
with hearts full of praise;  
Be exalted, Oh Lord, my God!  
Hosanna in the highest

Glory! Glory!  
Glory to the King of kings!  
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Glory to the King of kings!

Lord we lift up your name,  
with hearts full of praise;  
Be exalted, Oh Lord, my God!  
Glory to the King of kings!

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### **The King of Glory Comes**

The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices.  
Open the gates before him, lift up your voices.

Who is the King of glory? What shall we call him?  
He is Immanuel, the promised of ages.

The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices.  
Open the gates before him, lift up your voices.

He gave his life for us, the pledge of salvation;  
He took upon himself the sin of the nations.

The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices.  
Open the gates before him, lift up your voices.

He conquered sin and death; he truly has risen.  
And he will share with us his heavenly kingdom.

The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices.  
Open the gates before him, lift up your voices.

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**God's Greeting / Mutual Greetings**

## **WE ARE RENEWED**

### **Call to Confession:**

We like a good praise service don't we? But oh how quick are we to desert Jesus when things get a little bit tough. If we are honest we aren't that different then the disciples who on Palm Sunday were crying "Hosanna" and by Friday, they joined the crowd screaming "crucify him", betrayed him, or denied knowing him. We don't mind following Christ when all that is asked of us is to attend a worship service once in a while but when following Christ demands something more of us, all of us, we quickly turn away.

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### **Prayer of Confession:**

O Lord, who on this day entered the rebellious city that later rejected you, we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's, that our faith is often more show than substance, that our hearts are in need of cleansing. Have mercy on us, Son of David, Savior of our lives. Help us lay at your feet all that we have and all that we are, trusting you to forgive what is sinful, to heal what is broken, to welcome our praises, and to receive us as your own. Amen.

—John Paarlberg, Reformed Worship 34:8

**[Children ages 3-3<sup>rd</sup> grade may exit the sanctuary for Children's Church]**

### **Song of Assurance:           Amazing Grace**

Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
Was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed.

The Lord has promised good to me,

His work my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

Though many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
'til grace hath brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

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## **Dedication to Holy Living: Philippians 2:5-11**

### **GOD SPEAKS**

#### **Song of Preparation: All Glory, Laud and Honor**

All glory, laud and honor  
to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.  
You are the King of Israel  
and David's royal Son,  
now in the Lord's name coming,  
the King and Blessed One.

the company of angels  
is praising you on high;  
and we with all creation  
in chorus make reply.  
the people of the Hebrews  
with palms before you went;  
our praise and prayer and anthems  
before you we present.

To you before your passion  
they sang their hymns of praise;  
to you, now high exalted,  
our melody we raise.

As you received their praises,  
accept the prayers we bring,  
for you delight in goodness,  
O good and gracious King!

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**\*Scripture: Luke 19:28-40**

**Message:** The Servant King

### **WE RESPOND**

**\*Songs of Response: What Love, My God**

What love my God would bring You down to earth  
What king would take a low and lonely birth  
Yet to this dark and broken place You came  
To sleep beneath the stars that You had made

What love my God would send the Way of Life  
To walk the road rejected and despised  
That You might know the weakness I possess  
And be my rock of strength and righteousness

O Your love my God like a flood  
As heaven opened up pouring out on us  
O praise the King who came to the world  
In His love like a mighty flood

What love my God could hold You to the tree  
To bear that overwhelming debt for me  
The Son of heaven leaves the Father's side  
The Healer bleeds the Life was made to die

What love my God so gracious and extreme  
Was strong enough to come and fight for me  
To go through hell and down into the grave

And raise me up to see You face to face  
You raise me up to see You face to face

O Your love my God like a flood  
As heaven opened up pouring out on us  
O praise the King who came to the world  
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### **The Power of the Cross**

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day;  
Christ on the road to Calvary.  
Tried by sinful men, Torn and beaten, then  
Nailed to a cross of wood

Oh to see the pain written on Your face  
Bearing the awesome weight of sin  
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed  
Crowning your blood stained brow.

This the power of the cross;  
Christ became sin for us.  
Took the blame, bore the wrath  
We stand forgiven at the cross.

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath  
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.  
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life—  
“Finished!” the victory cry.

This the power of the cross;  
Christ became sin for us.  
Took the blame, bore the wrath  
We stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh to see my name written in the wounds  
For through Your suff'ring I am free  
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live  
Won through Your selfless love.

This the power of the cross  
Son of God slain for us.  
What a love, what a cost  
We stand forgiven at the cross.

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### **Prayer for our Church:**

**ALL:**

**Father God, we remember Your Son's ultimate sacrifice and triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Help us to love and support one another, just as Jesus taught us, even when our faith feels challenged. Guide us to follow Jesus' example of humility and service, spreading love and kindness wherever we go. We eagerly await Your next triumphal return, when You will make all things right. In Your Son's name, our Savior and King, Amen.**

**Prayers of the People:** Jestine Ivy

**Offering:** General Operating Fund

### **GOD BLESSES US TO SERVE**

#### **\*Benediction**

#### **\*Doxology:                      Worthy is Christ**

Worthy is Christ, worthy is Christ;  
To him be praise and glory:  
worthy is the Lord.

Digno es Jesús, digno es Jesús;

De recibir la gloria, digno es Jesús.

He gave his life, he died for me;  
To him be praise and glory:  
worthy is the Lord.

Su vida dio, por mí murió;

De recibir la gloria, digno es Jesús.

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## Postlude

