

Palm Sunday - April 13, 2025

Congregational responses are in bold.

(*) Indicates Standing

*We the people of this continent are not afraid of foreigners
because many of us were once foreigners.
- Pope Francis*

We Come Together

Prelude... *(this is an opportunity for us to appreciate the gift of music
and prepare our hearts for worship)*

***Introit** "Throughout These Lenten Days..." v.1 **VU#108**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Announcements

Call to Worship

***Hymn:** Hosanna, Loud Hosanna **VU#123**

Opening Prayer: (unison)

Delivering God,

we enter into your story, await your coming.

**You appear in a most surprising way – unrehearsed,
without ceremony, on a young donkey.**

Receive each prayer

which we have offered, O Christ,

and touch our lives as you pass by.

Amen.

Personal Prayer And When You Call for Me x2 **MV#96**

The Lord's Prayer

Children's Hymn: Tell me the Stories of Jesus vs. 1&2 **VU#357**
(children come forward during the singing)

Children's Learning Time

Children's Prayer:

**Parades are fun. We like to wave the palm branches and
to run
Through the sanctuary...**

**We like it when it is fun.
But sometimes things can get really hard.
This week will be like that. It will be very hard.
Be with us God so that we can live through the hard things
filled with your grace.
Amen.**

Children's Hymn: Tell me the Stories of Jesus vs. 3-5 **VU#357**
(children to Kids Korner program)

We Listen to the Word

Prayer of Illumination

Introduction to Scripture

Scripture Lesson:

Reader: Trudy C.

Psalm: Psalm 118 (parts 1, 3, 4) **VU p. 837**
(The stone which the builders rejected.)

Gospel: Luke 19:28–40
(Jesus enters Jerusalem to cheering crowds.)

Response *(seated)*: "May God's Sheltering Wings" x2 **MV#214**

Sermon: Practicing Justice

Anthem: Hosanna The People Cried

Prayers of the People

***Hymn:** He Came Riding on a Donkey **VU#124**

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering

***Sung Dedication:**

"In Gratitude and Humble Trust"

VU#544

***Offertory Prayer:** *(unison)*

Blessed are you, sovereign of all!

**Inspire us to kindle the light of a good day for all of your
children that they will know**

help not hurt,
healing not harm,
here and around the world. Amen.

***Hymn:** Ride On, Ride On in Majesty! **VU#127**

***Blessing:**

The Lenten way has become the way of the cross
and we must journey forward, watching our step.
Let us walk into this week, into the unfolding story,
confident in God’s steadfast love
which endures forever. **Amen**

***Extinguishing our Lenten light:**
"Today you will be with me in paradise."

***Choral Benediction** "God, as We Rise to Leave" v.1 **VU#417**

Postlude

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Volunteer Schedule:

Ushers:	April 13 Ellen & David	April 20 Marlene & John B.
Screens:	April 13 Tracy	April 20 Kevin April 27 Erik

This Week’s Calendar			
Tues	10:00am	Craft Group	Kitchen
Wed	7:00pm	Choir Practice	Sanctuary
Thurs	12:00pm	Lunch with Friends	Church Hall
Fri	10:30am	Good Friday Service	Sanctuary
Sun	10:30am	Easter Sunday Service	Sanctuary

*Tai Chi is offered on Mon, Wed & Fri *

Lunch with Friends: Thurs., April 17th @ noon. Sign up at the back of the church or in the office until *April 14th* at 12pm. Cost is \$7.00
Menu: pizza, plus dessert, tea and coffee. *please indicate Gluten free when you sign up if needed* **Program:** boardgames & conversation