



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin
Senior Minister

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

SPECIAL MUSIC

Ride On, King Jesus

Mr. Rick Massengale, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

Matthew 21:1-11

Dr. Martin

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

*HYMN 280

All Glory, Laud and Honor

ST. THEODULPH

***All glory, laud, and honor, to thee; Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.***

*Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One.*

*The company of angels are praising thee on high,
and we with all creation in chorus make reply.*

*The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
our prayer and praise and anthems before thee we present.
To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.*

*Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
who is all god delightest, thou good and gracious King.*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence and **People**
Associate Minister

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, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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. **universal UMH 881*

***GLORIA PATRI**

MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:

"The peace of Christ be with you." "And also with you."

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Lawrence

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. Amen.

OFFERTORY

The Holy City
Sam Burch, soloist

Steven Adams

*Last night I lay a sleeping there came a dream so fair.
I stood in old Jerusalem, beside the temple there.
I heard the children singing, and ever as they sang,
I thought the voice of angels from heaven in answer rang.
I thought the voice of angels from heaven in answer rang.
Jerusalem, Jerusalem,
Lift up your gates and sing,
Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna to your King.
And once again the scene was changed, new earth there seemed to be.
I saw the Holy City beside the tideless sea.
The light of God was on its streets; the gates were open wide,
And all who would might enter and no one was denied.
No need of moon or stars by night or sun to shine by day:
It was the new Jerusalem that would not pass away.
Jerusalem, Jerusalem,
Sing for the night is o'er,
Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna for evermore.*

***DOXOLOGY**

OLD 100th

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

The Rev. Carson Thaxton
Director of Children & Family Ministry

***SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Matthew 26:14-25

Rev. Thaxton

¹⁴Then one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests ¹⁵and said, "What will you give me if I betray him to you?" They paid him thirty pieces of silver. ¹⁶And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

¹⁷On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" ¹⁸He said, "Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.'"¹⁹ So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal. ²⁰When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; ²¹and while they were eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me."²² And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, "Surely not I, Lord?" ²³He answered, "The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. ²⁴The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born."²⁵ Judas, who betrayed him, said, "Surely not I, Rabbi?" He replied, "You have said so."

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

How Quickly Things Change in a Week

Dr. Martin

***HYMN 298**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

*When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.*

*See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.*

***BENEDICTION**

Dr. Martin

*May the peace of Christ go with you wherever he may send you.
May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.
May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you.
May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our arms.*

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please remember in your prayers:

Billy Arnold
Van Askew
Carolyn Broady
Ken Broady

Annelle Burch
Quentin Cash
Richard Clayton
Suzan Cole

Howard Dunham
Margaret Grainger
Martha Hale
Doris Kerlin

Lurlene Perry
Martha Segars
Mabel Wilbanks
Brad Wilkinson

Our Christian prayers and sympathy are with

Don and Bonnie Dixson upon the death of Don's brother, Bob Dixson, on March 30, 2020.

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