# **Palm/Passion Sunday**

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# The Family of God Gathers

## Prelude

"Voices Raised to You"

Please let the prelude be a signal to prepare for worship.

# Greetings

## **Call to Worship \***§

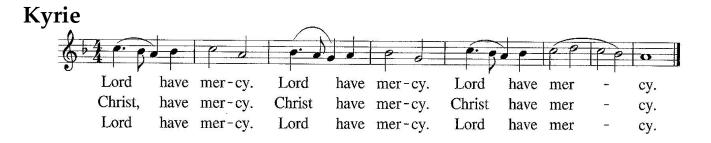
- L: Give thanks! God's love is constant and devoted to us.
- P: Let us say over and over: God's hope is unfailing.
- L: Give thanks, O give thanks! Justice is the gate God opens to all.
- P: Let us say over and over: God hears the cries of those who are forgotten.
- L: Give thanks, O give thanks, people of God! God brings us new life.
- P: Let us say this over and over: God takes the stone tossed aside by us to build the foundation of salvation.

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"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

# **Prayer of Confession** ‡

- L: For that which—then—I thought was right,
- P: have mercy, God.
- L: For that which—now—I regret,
- P: forgive me, God.
- L: For that which—hence—I know not what to do,
- P: guide me, God.



#### Assurance of Pardon ‡

- L: Come and rest, come and listen. Know that grace, forgiveness, and guidance are available to you at each and every moment we turn to receive them. Hear and trust the good news: in Jesus' name, you are forgiven!
- **P: You are forgiven!**
- L: May the peace of Christ be with you!
- P: And also with you!

#### **Passing the Peace**

Now please take a moment and share the peace with those in your household and/or offer a moment to send prayers of peace to those you love who are not with you.

### **Centering Song**



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### Hearing the Word

#### Gospel

Luke 19:28–40

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 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. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now 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, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

## Psalm 118:1–2, 19–29

- L: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!
- P: Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."
- L: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.
- P: This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.
- L: I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- **P:** The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
- L: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- P: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L: Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!
- **P:** Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
- L: We bless you from the house of the Lord.
- P: The Lord is God, and he has given us light.
- L: Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.
- P: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you.
- L: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
- P: for his steadfast love endures forever.

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"Pave the Way with Branches"

# **Response to the Word**

# Offering

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise God all creatures here below Praise God above ye heavenly host Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **Prayer of Dedication of Gifts and Self**

Holy God, we give thanks for your saving love made known to us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. Bless these gifts that they may bring life on earth as in heaven; in Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Joys and Concerns

### **Prayers of the People**

#### 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

#### Hymn 202 Verses 1–3

"O God, How We Have Wandered"

O God how we have wandered and hidden from your face; In foolishness have squandered your legacy of grace. But how, in exile dwelling, we turn with fear and shame, As distant but compelling, you call us each by name.

And now at length discerning the evil that we do, By faith we are returning with hope and trust in you. In haste you come to meet us, and home rejoicing bring, In gladness there to greet us with calf and robe and ring.

O God of all the living, both banished and restored, Compassionate, forgiving, our peace and hope assured. Grant now that our transgressing, our faithlessness may cease. Stretch out your hand in blessing, in pardon, and in peace.

#### **Passion Narrative**—The Last Supper

## Hymn 224 Verse 1

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

## Passion Narrative-Betrayal and Arrest

## Hymn 224 Verses 2, 4

Forbid it, then, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that charm me most I sacrifice them to Christ's blood.

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.

## Passion Narrative-Peter's Denial

## Hymn 229 Verses 1, 2

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord? O sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble, Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? O sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble, Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

# **Passion Narrative**—The People Choose

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

"Were You There?"

#### Hymn 219 Verses 1–2

Journey to Gethsemane, go and feel the tempter's power; Your Redeemer's conflict see, watch the anguish of this hour; Do not hide or turn away: learn from Jesus how to pray.

Follow then to Pilate's hall, view the Lord of life arraigned; Crowned with thorns and mocked by all, faithfully this pain sustained; Greater still than shame or loss, Jesus now must face the cross.

## Passion Narrative-Jesus on Trial

Hymn 219 Verse 3

"Journey to Gethsemane"

Calvary's mournful mountain climb, see the Savior lifted high, Mark the miracle of time, God's own Child is sacrificed; "It is finished!" Jesus cries: learn from Jesus how to die.

# Passion Narrative-Jesus Crucified

At the end of the narrative, please hold silence until the liturgists have left. Feel free to sit in prayer if you desire, or you may leave silently. There is no benediction during Holy Week until Easter worship.

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## **Worship Leaders**

Pastor: Rev. David Huber • Ministers: All the people of Plymouth • Pianist: Lynn McFadyen • Liturgists: Linda Oliver, Ben Bechle, Lil Savage, David Huber

We of Plymouth extend to you our hand of fellowship and an invitation to become a member. If you are interested, or have any questions, please speak with or send a note to Pastor David or our Moderator, Barb Kleist. Our table always has room for more.

Cross illumination for April is sponsored by Lil Savage in memory of her brothers, Paul and Carl.

### This Week at Plymouth

Sunday, Apr 10 Palm Sunday Prayers for the People 10:00 A.M. Coffee 10:30 A.M. Worship Tuesday, April 12 10:00 A.M. Quilters 7:00 P.M. Leadership Team

#### Thursday, April 14

Maundy Thursday

7:00 P.M. Tenebrae Service

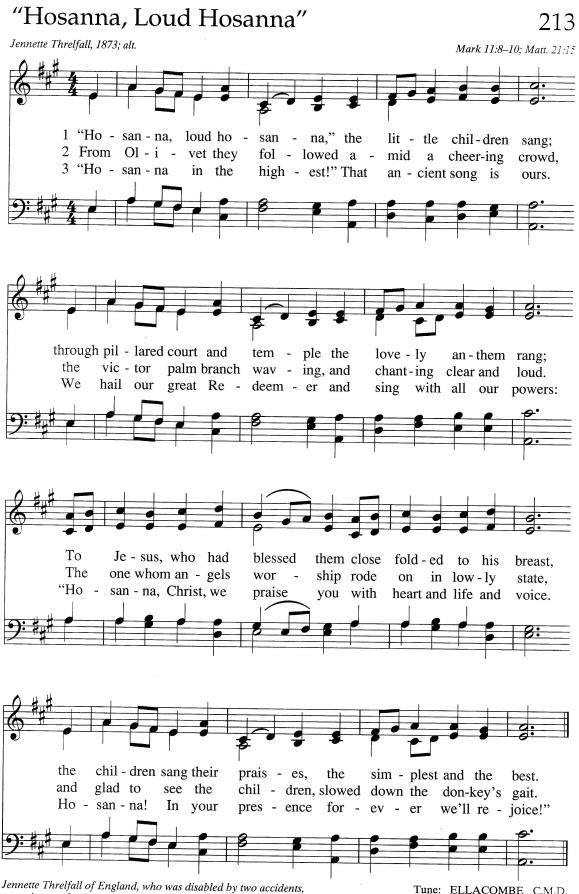
#### We pray for:

- The General Minister and President of the United Church of Christ Rev. John Dorhauer and Wisconsin Conference Minister Rev. Franz Rigert, along with all UCC staff at the national and Conference level
- These individuals/families: Jeff & Lesa Green, Cindy (Jerry) Halfen, Harlan & Charlene Hartwich, Gordy & Audrey Heimstead, Joyce Holmen

### Friday, April 15 Good Friday 12:00 P.M. Community Worship First Congregational UCC 310 Broadway

## Sunday, April 17

*Easter Sunday* 9:30 A.M. Muffin Breakfast 10:30 A.M. Celebration Worship



wrote hymns that inspired hope and courage in others. This text was published in her collection Sunshine and Shadow.

Tune: ELLACOMBE C.M.D. Gesangbuch der herzoglichen Wirtembergischen katholischen Hofkapelle, 1784

# Pave the Way with Branches



\*Additional verses ad lib.: Release for the captives . . . Hope for the downtrod . . . Land for the landless . . . Debts are forgiven . . .

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#### Who we are...

Plymouth UCC is an Open and Affirming congregation, embracing diversity and affirming the dignity and worth of every person, since we are all created in God's image. We welcome into full membership and participation in the Body of Christ persons of every race, ethnic background, age, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, physical or mental ability, socio-economic background, marital status and background. We welcome all to share in the life, leadership, ministry, fellowship, worship, sacraments, responsibilities, humor, and blessings of participation in our congregation.

# Spiritual Care Package

#### **Questions for Reflection**

The events of Holy Week make up the central story of our faith. Can we see the suffering of others in our world in the passion of Jesus? What are some ways that the daughters and sons of humanity are crucified today? How are we called to respond?

#### Household Prayer: Morning

God, as I enter into this new day, I ask that you keep me mindful of the profound nature of this Holy Week. Help me to go beyond the joyful parade of the palms and to follow Jesus into the suffering of this world, mindful that he was obedient to you, even to the cross. Amen.

#### Household Prayer: Evening

Thank you, God, for the gift of this day. If I remembered today my betrayals of you, remind me now of your steadfast love for me, as I give this day into your hands and rest in peace. Amen.

# God is still speaking,