

Palm Sunday

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ANAHEIM

Anaheim First Presbyterian Church

April 10, 2022 @ 10:30 am

PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM AND PROCESSION

SCRIPTURE

Luke 19:28-40

Those who are able are invited to process out to Broadway and into the sanctuary as we remember Jesus' procession into Jerusalem. We will stop at points along the way to remember the story of Palm Sunday. After each reading we will offer this response:

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord;

Hosanna in the highest.

PRELUDE

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Austin Lovelace

CALL TO WORSHIP

It is holy to gather. It is holy to sing.

It is holy to be generous, to throw our coats on the road.

It is holy to celebrate justice when we see it.

It is holy to shout, "Hosanna!" It is holy to remember.

It is holy to gather. It is holy to sing.

Here and now, let us do all of these things.

HYMN NO.88 (v. 1, 2, & 4)

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Valet Will Ich Dir

Refrain: 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. [Refrain]

The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;

Our praise and prayers and anthems before Thee we present. [Refrain]

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,

Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King. [Refrain]

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of street parades and hosannas, we know that you are counting on us to speak out against oppression, to speak up for love and to speak hope to fear, but so often we are silent. We worry that we'll say the wrong thing, so we don't say anything at all. We worry that we'll offend, so we keep our convictions to ourselves. We worry that we'll speak up and won't be heard, so we stay silent. And meanwhile, the parade marches on.

Unravel our fears. Spark conviction in us. Give us the courage to yell, "Hosanna!"

Gratefully we pray, amen.

ANTHEM*Draw Nigh to Jerusalem*

David H. Williams

SERMON

Full to the Brim— Even the Stones Cry Out

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt, and put Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.

We believe in giving what we have. We believe that actions of generosity change us.

We dare to believe that these small acts can change the world.

The whole crowd of disciples began joyfully praising God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen.

We believe in a God who is a miracle-maker. We believe in a God of good news.

We believe this good news is so good that we cannot help but sing.

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!”

We believe there will be forces that try to silence what is just, good, hopeful, and generous. We do not believe those voices will have the last word.

“I tell you,” Jesus replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

We believe, at the end of the day, love will find a way.

We believe. Help our unbelief. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Traditional, page 16 of Hymnal

HYMN*Chorus of Faith*

Ellacombe

“Hosanna!” Loud hosannas, resounded through the streets

“All glory in the highest to him who comes in peace.”

The beautiful cacophony of children’s laughs and songs

Accompanied the grand parade all through the gathered throng.

The pharisees along the way took notice of the crowd

Rebuking Jesus, they proclaimed this gathered mob too loud

But some truths cannot be contained they spill out from the earth

“No, even if you silence them, the stones will still be heard.”

Be loud and be courageous, tell truths that must be told

The world may try and silence you but Christ helps us be bold

In voices and in bodies, in art for protest made

Our truths take many shapes and forms, a chorus of our faith.

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION****Today’s Worship Leaders:**

Kim Skilling, Pastor

David Hughes, Director of Music; Carol Hughes, Accompanist

Abbott Hatch & Richard Ramich, Video and Sound



Announcements