Homecrest Presbyterian Church

Worship of the Lord's Day March 20th, 2016

6th Sunday in Lent, Palm Sunday

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever. (Psalm 118:26, 28)

<u>Gathering Around the WORD</u> Call To Worship

Awake to the day of triumph for our Savior! Give thanks for this day that leads to the cross! We have come with your branches,

hosannas, and songs!

We shall fill the air with welcome to the Lord! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven!

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

#196 "All Glory Laud and Honor"

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. Palm Sunday

#196 "All Glory Laud and Honor"

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring! The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our praise and prayers and anthems before thee we present. Palm Sunday

#196 "All Glory Laud and Honor"

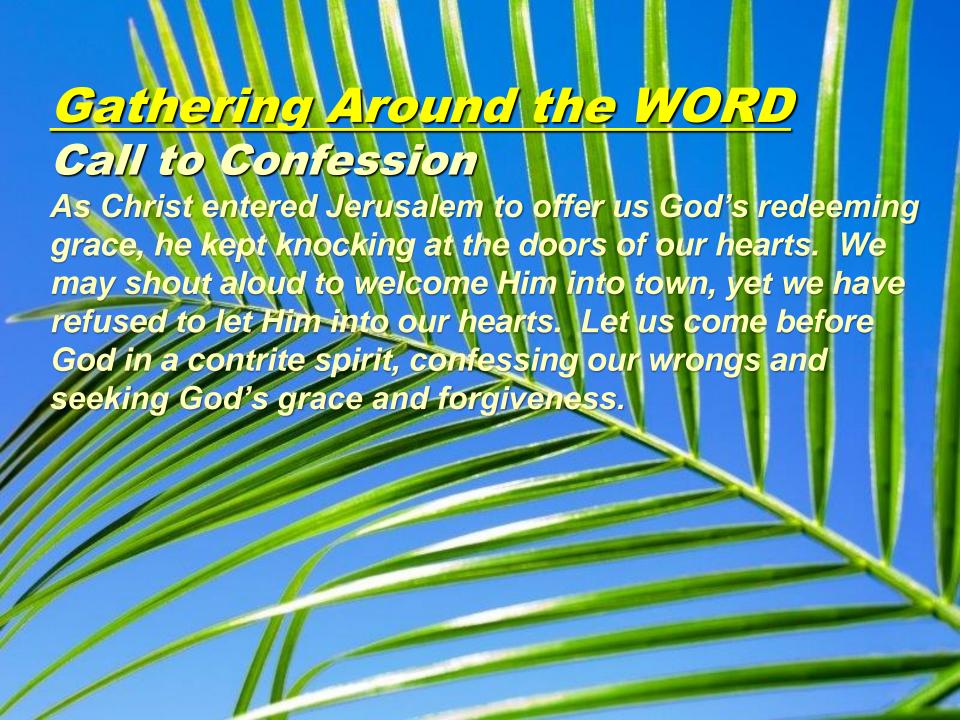
All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring! To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. Palm Sunday

#196 "All Glory Laud and Honor"

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring! Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King! Palm Sunday

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Gathering Around the WORD

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of heaven and earth, we give you thanks for sending us Jesus Christ in your name. Even though we profess to follow him, we confess that in times of trial we too often deny him. We demand an outcome according to our ways instead of yours. Forgive us and heal us, we pray. Help us to put our faith forward not in the princes of this world, but only in the Prince of Peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Gathering Around the WORD Declaration of Forgiveness

Christ came to help us and to save us. We have waved our branches in welcoming the King of kings into our lives.

We have been declared righteous because of God's unconditional grace and our faith in Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God, Amen.



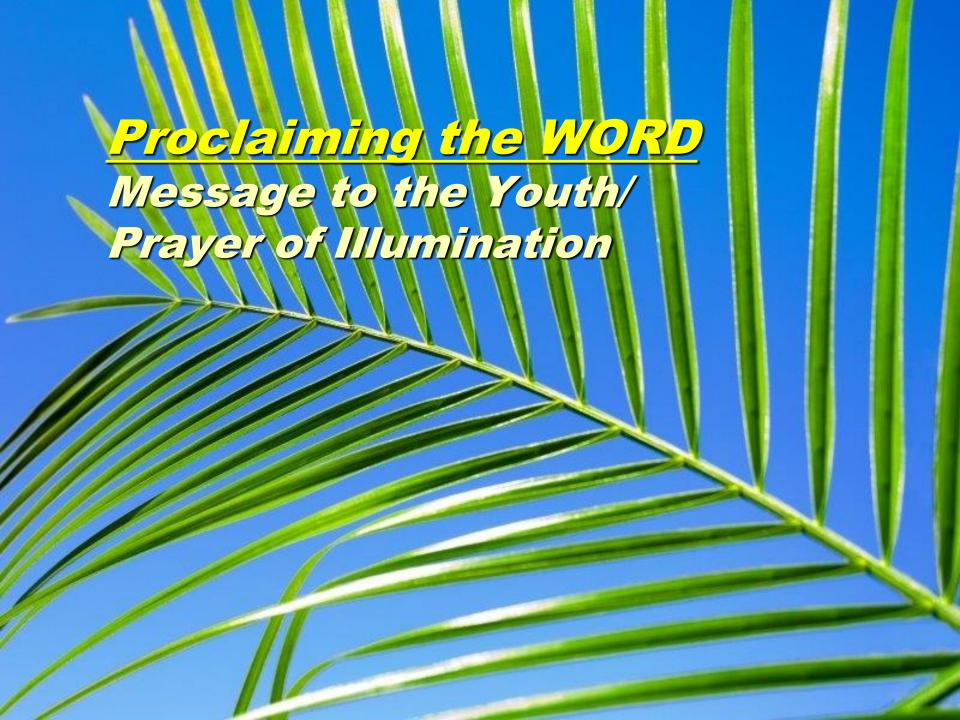
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.



Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

(John 14:27)

Peace be with you. And also with you.



Proclaiming the WORD

Responsive Reading (To Be Read Responsively) (Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29)

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

² Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

- ¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.
- ²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it

Proclaiming the WORD Responsive Reading (Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29)

- ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
- ²³ This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Proclaiming the WORD Responsive Reading (Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29)

- ²⁵ Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!
- ²⁶ Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD.
- ²⁷ The LORD is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.
- ²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you

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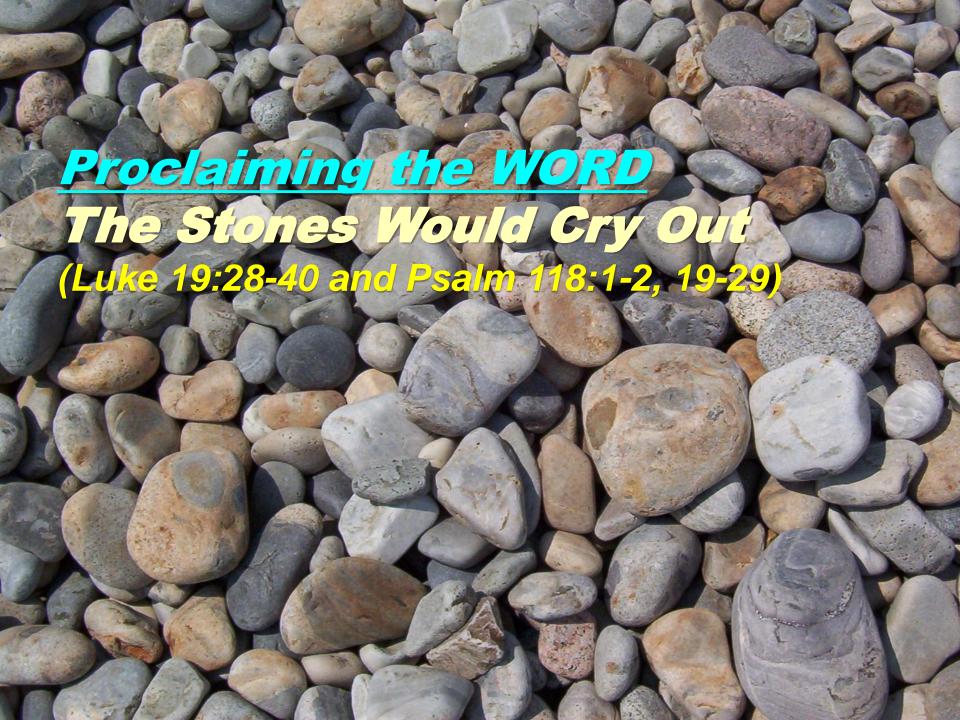
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Proclaiming the WORD Scripture Reading (Luke 19:28-40)

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. 29 When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 30 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. 31 If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" 32 So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. 33 As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They said, "The Lord needs it."

Proclaiming the WORD Scripture Reading (Luke 19:28-40)

³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. 36 As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. 37 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, 38 saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" 39 Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." 40 He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."



"People are often unreasonable and self-centered. Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of ulterior motives. Be kind anyway. If you are honest, people may cheat you Be honest anyway.

If you find happiness, people may be jealous. Be happy anyway.

The good you do today may be forgotten tomorrow.

Do good. Give the world the best you have and it may never be enough. Give your best anyway.

For you see, in the end, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway."

Mother Teresa of Calcutta



198 "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!

Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry;
thy humble beast pursues its road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

198 "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.

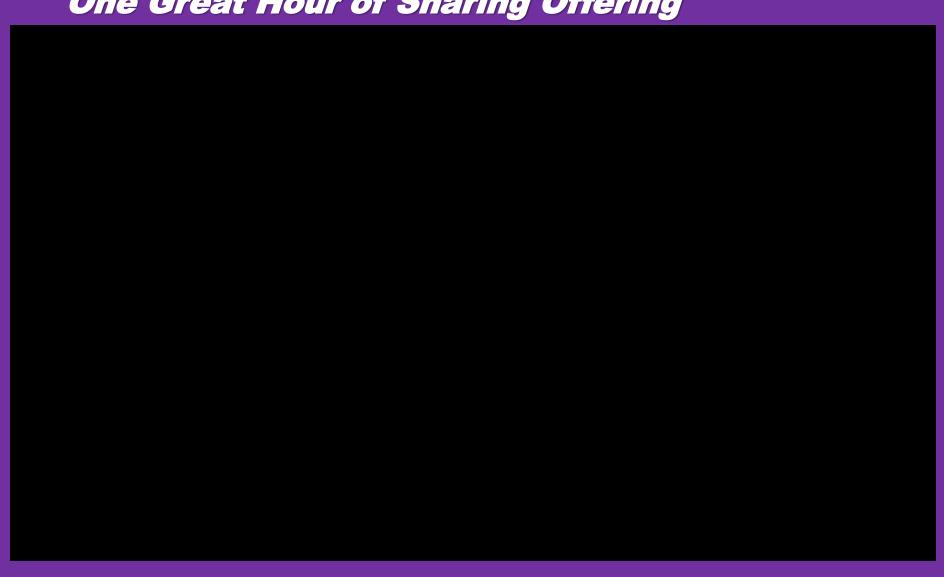
198 "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
The hosts of angels in the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.

198 "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow thy meek head to mortal pain;
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

Responding to the WORD Moment of Mission One Great Hour of Sharing Offering



Bearing and Following the WORD into the World Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns

- Special thanks for all those who participated, helped out, and contributed for last night's St. Patrick's Day Dinner.
- We will continue our regular afternoon Bible Study group on 4/11. We will be finishing our study of a seven-part series on the Seven Days of Glory: Holy Week.
- The Women's Group will be meeting over at the Manse (2048 E 14th Street) every Wednesday evening @ 7:30pm. They are currently studying the book of Genesis. They will also be meeting every other Sunday morning before service at 9:30am over at the Manse for prayers and fellowship. For more information, please contact Margaret Lesman or Cara Chin.

Bearing and Following the WORD into the World

Announcements & Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Today After Church – Distribution of Palm Crosses

at St. Joachim & Anne Nursing Home

Good Friday Service, 3/25 7pm (Service joined by *Resurrection Sheepshead Bay*)

Next Sunday Resurrection (Easter) Sunday (11am)

- If you are interested in ordering any Easter Flowers/Plants - please see Paul (\$10)

Bearing and Following the WORD into the World Prayer of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven.

Halloweth be thy name.

Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us our debts; as we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptations, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory forever.

Amen.

Bearing and Following the WORD into the World Offering of our Gifts and our Lives

Let's Honor The Lord With Our Giving

"Remember this, whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly."

And whoever sows generously will also reap generously."

2 Corinthians 9:6



Bearing and Following the WORD into the World Doxology and Offertory Prayer

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.

Sending Hymn

197 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" Hosanna, Loud Hosanna, the little children sang; through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang. To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast, the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best. Palm Sunday

Sending Hymn

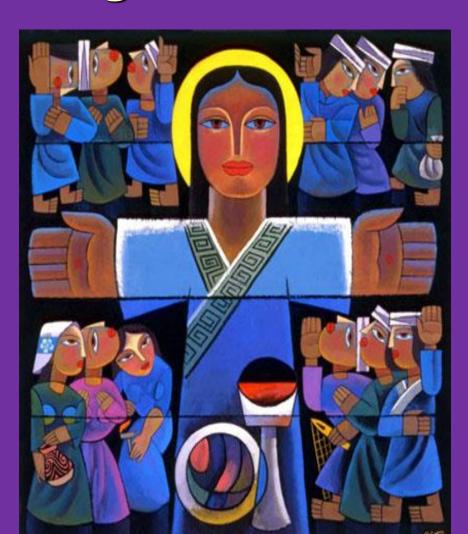
197 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd, the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud; the Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait. Palm Sunday

Sending Hymn

197 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" "Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer; the Lord of heaven, our King. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

Palm Sunday

Bearing and Following the WORD into the World The Charge and Benediction



Bearing and Following the WORD into the World Benediction Response

#140 "Shalom, Chavarim! Farewell, Good Friends"

Shalom, Good friends!
Shalom, Good friends!
Shalom, Shalom!
Till we meet again, till we meet again,
Shalom, Shalom.

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