

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: the way has been prepared

All: for the crowds it is the way of celebration

One: for Jesus it is a way of completion

All: amid the shouts and waving of palm branches, he comes to the holy city.

One: open your hearts this day to receive the savior.

All: we open wide our hearts and spirits to receive Jesus the Christ. Amen

HYMN All Glory Laud and Honor

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

**You are the King of Israel and David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming, the King and Blessed One.**

**To you before your passion they sang their hymns of praise;
to you, now high exalted, our melody we raise.
As you received their praises, accept the prayers we bring,
for you delight in goodness, O good and gracious King!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: O God, we stand at the gate, hesitant and uncertain; we are reluctant to answer your invitation; we are slow to embark on the journey toward your reign. Forgive us we pray.

Grant us the help we need to be your people-the courage to join you in the procession; the selflessness to lay our cloaks before you; the freedom to lift our palms to your glory; and the knowledge that by your grace we are forgiven. Amen.

Scripture

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."

Message

Prayers of the people and Athe Lord's Prayer

Sending