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The Celebration of Worship Palm Sunday

March 25, 2018

10:30 AM

Worship is broadcast at 11 AM on WCHS-580AM

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.

Large print hymnals, Bibles, hearing devices,
and information about child care are available from any usher.

If your hearing aid has a button for telephone use, turn it on now
to receive sound directly to your hearing aid.

All children are welcome and encouraged to participate in worship.

Clipboards, children's Bibles and books to borrow during worship are located at the entrances.

The asterisks (*) invite you to stand in body or in spirit.



We Gather

TIME FOR PREPARATION

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

Psalm 118:19-29

PRELUDE

The Palms
Paula Legge, organist

Jean-Baptiste Faure

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill McCoy

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 196

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Christian Johnson

*RESPONSE

Please Enter My Heart, Hosanna

Cathy Townley

Musical score for the hymn "Please Enter My Heart, Hosanna" by Cathy Townley. The score is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of eight staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Please en-ter my heart, Ho-san-na. O please lead my life to - day. Gen-tle Lamb of God, the Christ, the A-noint-ed One, won't You en-ter my heart to - day? O please hear my prayer, Ho-san-na, these words that I need to - say: Gen-tle Lamb of God, the Christ, the A-noint-ed One, won't You en-ter my heart to stay? O come, Je-sus, come! Ho-san-na! Ho-san-na! O - come, Je-sus, come! Ho-san-na! Ho-san-na! O - come, Je-sus, come to - day, come to stay."

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

GINNA TAYLOR

Lord, You have given us the Holy Spirit to remind us of all that You have said.
Your desire is that our hearts would be open to hear and to follow.

Yet we confess that our hearts are easily troubled by worry and anxiety, falsehood and fear;
things that interfere with openness and faith.

Forgive us Lord. Thank you for never giving up on us.

Please continue to pray silently.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP

Bill McCoy

Please sign the friendship pad placed at pew's end, so we may greet each other by name.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Mary Odin

*PASSING THE PEACE

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

*HYMN

What the Lord Has Done in Me

Reuben Morgan



Let the weak say, "I am strong." Let the poor say, "I am
in - to the riv - er I will wade. There my sins are washed a -
I will rise from wa - ters deep in - to the sav - ing arms of



rich." Let the blind say, "I can see." It's what the Lord has done in me.
way. From the heav - en's mer - cy stream of the Sav - iour's love for me.
God. I will sing sal - va - tion's songs. Je - sus Christ has set me free.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na to the Lamb that was slain!



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na. Je - sus died and rose a - gain.

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We Declare our Faith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Christian Johnson

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

HYMN 581

*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.*

We Give Thanks to God

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Christian Johnson

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, forever. Amen.

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

Into the Woods My Master Went

Peter Lutkin

*Doxology

*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.*

