

# PALM SUNDAY

SUNDAY MARCH 24, 2024

# WELCOME TO RESURRECTION!

We're so glad you're here! At Church of the Resurrection (Rez), we believe that you can be transformed by encountering the love of Jesus. Through this encounter, many people have received healing, become part of a community, and learned to serve others. Our vision is to invite everyone into this kind of transforming relationship with Jesus and his Church, whether you are exploring Christianity for the first time or grew up attending church.

If you are visiting us for the first time or watching on livestream, we are so excited to have you with us. We would love to meet you and give you a gift at the Guest Center.

Find ways to get involved at [churchrez.org/connect](http://churchrez.org/connect) and check out what's happening now at [churchrez.org/signup](http://churchrez.org/signup).



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**Fr. Steve Williamson**  
**Cathedral Dean**

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As the cathedral church, Resurrection is the headquarters for our regional family of churches, the Diocese of the Upper Midwest, as well as the home of the bishop. The mission of our Diocese is to plant a revival of Word and Sacrament infused by the Holy Spirit.

Learn more about us at [midwestanglican.org](http://midwestanglican.org).



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**Bishop Stewart E. Ruch III**  
**Anglican Diocese of the Upper Midwest**



# CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

## VISITING?

We would love to meet you and give you a gift at the Guest Center.

## CHILDREN

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- Contact non-staff vestry (church board):  
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## HOLY WEEK ART

Our gratitude to artists Michael Skura and Janice Skivington Wood who generously donated their time and talents to create our Holy Week art depicted in the bulletins, and our online and print materials.

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP

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# THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY

On the first Palm Sunday, Jesus triumphantly entered Jerusalem, and people greeted him by waving branches cut from palm trees. Today, as part of our Palm Sunday celebration, we sing and march with palms in hand.

In case you have never celebrated Palm Sunday quite like this before, you may be interested to know that it's a practice that originated in the early church. Here's how a woman named Egeria described it in her diary when she saw it firsthand in late fourth-century Jerusalem: "On Palm Sunday, all Christians assembled at the top of the Mount of Olives. Grasping palm branches in their hands, they sang, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord' as they walked slowly to the church in Jerusalem . . . When night fell, evening prayers were celebrated, concluded by a prayer in front of a cross erected for the occasion."

What should we think of this day when Jesus rode a donkey into Jerusalem? Do we view it with gladness or with sorrow? After all, it was a day of striking contrast. Jesus was met not only by the people who cut branches from the trees, but also by the Pharisees who would later plot to kill him. The people shouted "Hosanna in the highest," but Christ cried for Jerusalem, saying, "You did not recognize the time of God's coming to you."

Yet the greatest contrast came at the end of the week: Christ died; Christ rose from the dead. So today, while we recognize Christ's impending suffering, we also rejoice in his ultimate triumph.

Palm Sunday bulletin cover: original painting by Resurrection artist Michael Skura, the triumphant entry of Jesus to Jerusalem. (Image copyright: Church of the Resurrection)

# THE WORD OF GOD

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*In the first half of the service, we encounter God by hearing and responding to his truth in the Bible.*

## The Liturgy of the Palms

*Please stand.*

CELEBRANT: *Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.*

PEOPLE: **Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

### **Hosanna to the Son of David** Chancel Choir & Choristers

*Hosanna to the Son of David!  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest!*

Words and music by Arthur Hutchings, © 1939 Norello & Company, Limited.

CELEBRANT: *Dear brothers and sisters, from the beginning of Lent until now we have been preparing our hearts by repentance and self-sacrifice. Today, with the whole Church, we herald the beginning of the celebration of the Paschal Mystery. On this day our Lord Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem and was welcomed as King with palms and shouts of praise. Today we greet him as our King, though we know his crown was a crown of thorns, and his throne a Cross.*

*Therefore, I invite you to follow our Lord this Holy Week, from his triumphal entry, through his suffering and death, to the glory of his resurrection.*

*The Lord be with you.*

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

CELEBRANT: *Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.*

ALL: **Amen.**

DEACON: *The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.*

PEOPLE: **Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

### **Mark 11:1-11 (ESV)**

DEACON: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

PEOPLE: **Praise to You, Lord Christ.**

CELEBRANT: *Let us pray.*

*We praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph and was hailed as King by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way.*

*Lift your palm branches at this time.*

*Sanctify these branches with your blessing, we humbly pray, that they may be for us signs of his victory. Grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

ALL: **Amen.**

CELEBRANT: *Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.*

PEOPLE: **Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the Highest.**

# The Procession

*Instructions will be given for the procession.*

CELEBRANT: *Let us go forth in peace.*

PEOPLE: In the Name of Christ. Amen.

## Songs of Worship

### Hosanna

Praise is rising,  
Eyes are turning to you.  
We turn to you.  
Hope is stirring,  
Hearts are yearning for you,  
We long for you.

'Cause when we see you  
We find strength to face the day.  
In your presence  
All our fears are washed away,  
Washed away.

*Chorus:*  
Hosanna, hosanna!  
You are the God who saves us,  
Worthy of all our praises.  
Hosanna, hosanna!  
Come have your way among us.  
We welcome you here,  
Lord Jesus.

"Hosanna," words and music by Paul Baloche  
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### Sing to the King

Sing to the King who is coming to reign.  
Glory to Jesus, the Lamb that was slain.  
Life and salvation his empire shall bring  
And joy to the nations when Jesus is king.

*Chorus:*  
Come, let us sing a song,  
A song declaring that we belong to Jesus.  
He is all we need.  
Lift up a heart of praise,  
Sing now with voices raised to Jesus,  
Sing to the King.


For his returning we watch and we pray.  
We will be ready the dawn of that day.  
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed.  
Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King.

"Sing to the King," words & music by Billy James Foote,  
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# All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*Parents may now take children to their classrooms.*


*Refrain*




All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!




to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.




1	Thou art the King of	Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al	Son,
2	The com - pa - ny of	an - gels is prais - ing thee on	high;
3	The peo - ple of the	He - brews with palms be - fore thee	went;
4	To thee be - fore thy	pas - sion they sang their hymns of	praise;
5	Thou didst ac - cept their	prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we	bring,



*Repeat Refrain*



1	who in the Lord's Name com - est, the	King and Bless - ed	One.
2	and we with all cre - a - tion in	cho - rus make re - ply.	
3	our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we	pre - sent.	
4	to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our	mel - o - dy we raise.	
5	who in all good de - light - est, thou	good and gra - cious	King.



Words: Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821)

Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, melody Melchior Tescher (1584-1635)



# The Collect of the Day

*A brief prayer on the theme of the day.*

CELEBRANT: *The Lord be with you.*

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

CELEBRANT: *Let us pray.*

*Almighty and everlasting God, in your tender love for us you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon himself our nature, and to suffer death upon the Cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and come to share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.*

ALL: **Amen.**

# The Lessons

*Please be seated for the readings.*

READER: *A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.*

## **Philippians 2:5–11 (ESV)**

READER: *The Word of the Lord.*

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

*Please remain seated for the Gospel reading.*

READER: *The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.*

PEOPLE: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**Mark 15:1–39 (ESV)**

*All stand at the mention of The Skull. All kneel at the mention of Christ's death*

## The Sermon

And Then There's Jesus. . .

—**Fr. Matt Woodley, Cathedral Vicar**

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# The Confession of Sin

DEACON: *Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.*

*Please be seated or kneel. There will be a time of silence.*

ALL: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

CELEBRANT: *Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.*

# The Peace

*Please stand.*

CELEBRANT: *The peace of the Lord be always with you.*

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

*Please use this time to share the peace of Christ with those around you. Parents, please pick up your children from their RezKids classrooms after the announcements.*

# The Offertory



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# THE HOLY COMMUNION

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*In the second part of the service,  
we encounter God at his table.*

## The Doxology

*Please stand.*

CANTOR: *Praise God from whom all blessings flow,*

PEOPLE: **Praise God from whom all blessings flow,**

CANTOR: *Praise him, all creatures here below.*

PEOPLE: **Praise him, all creatures here below.**

CANTOR: *Praise him above, ye heavenly host,*

PEOPLE: **Praise him above, ye heavenly host,**

CANTOR: *Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,*

PEOPLE: **Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen.**

*"Doxology," music by Steve Williamson © 2018. Used by permission.*

## The Great Thanksgiving

CELEBRANT: *The Lord be with you.*

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

CELEBRANT: *Lift up your hearts.*

PEOPLE: **We lift them to the Lord.**

CELEBRANT: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

PEOPLE: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

CELEBRANT: . . . *Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you and offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,*

ALL: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,  
God of power and might!  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory!  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest!

"Holy, Holy, Holy," by Richard Leonard, © 1997 Laudemont Ministries.

*Please remain standing or kneel.*

*celebrant: . . . Recalling Christ's death, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.*

ALL: We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

CELEBRANT: . . . *Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.*

ALL: Amen

CELEBRANT: *And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,*

ALL: 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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

# The Breaking of the Bread

*During the season of Lent, we refrain from speaking the word 'Alleluia.'*

CELEBRANT: *Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;*

PEOPLE: **Therefore let us keep the feast!**

ALL: **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world  
Have mercy on us, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world  
Have mercy on us, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world  
Grant us your peace, grant us your peace.**

*"Agnus Dei," music by John Fawcett, © 1998 John Fawcett. Used with permission.*

CELEBRANT: *Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.*

*Please be seated. All who are baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and are committed to following Jesus are welcome to receive Communion. Ushers will release you row by row. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Non-alcoholic grape juice is available in the silver trays. Please dispose of used cups in the buckets available on tables in your section.*

## Songs of Worship

### **Agnus Dei**

Choristers

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.*

*Translation:*

*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.*

*Music by Samuel Webbe (1740–1816).*

# The Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Please stand.*

CELEBRANT: *Let us pray.*

ALL: Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage to love and  
serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Blessing

*This blessing or  
another will be offered.*

CELEBRANT: *The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts  
and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus  
Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the  
Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.*

ALL: Amen.

# The Dismissal

DEACON: *Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.*

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

# MAUNDY THURSDAY

MARCH 28, 7:00PM

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FOLLOW JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES THE NIGHT BEFORE  
HE WAS CRUCIFIED, AND REMEMBER HIM THROUGH  
COMMUNION.

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