



March 24, 2024 | 10:30 a.m.

Kviteseid Lutheran Church 308 North Third Street Milan, Minnesota

Erder of Service

Welcome to Kviteseid Lutheran Church... Welcome to worship this Palm [and Passion] Sunday. As we follow Jesus into Jerusalem, the city of his death but also his resurrection, may we experience the wonder of his love.

Prelude

- P Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna in the highest!
- P Let us go forth in peace,
- C In the name of Christ. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" (vs. R, 1, 3 & 4) ELW #344

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.
- P Today we recall the events of the first Holy Week so many years ago.
- C We remember how it started with Jesus entering the Holy City and we recall how it ended with his death outside Jerusalem's gates.
- P This is how it began . . .

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Mark 11:1-11

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" (vs. R, 5, R) ELW #344

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOIR

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCTION FOR THE DAY

In this service for Palm Sunday, we remember that when Jesus entered Jerusalem, the people asked, "Who is this King of Glory?" They were seeking one who saves when they shouted, "Hosanna!" They were knocking on the door for a new future. What they did not know was that Jesus was opening the door to everlasting life through the cross.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P As we follow Jesus down the road, through the gate and into the holy city of Jerusalem, we are reminded that it is our sin that has put him on this path.
- C Most merciful God, you sent your one and only Son Jesus to pay the price for our sin. Instead of glorifying him, we glorify ourselves through our selfishness and the idols we create and worship. Instead of walking with Jesus, we walk away from him. We are sinful in thought, word and deed. Forgive us, Lord. Renew us and restore us that we would love you and serve our neighbor.
- P Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem was to make his way to the sorrow, pain and suffering of the cross. By his perfect life and action your sins have been forgiven and you have been redeemed. I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray.
- C Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: Zechariah 9:9-10

PSALM 118:19-21, 26

L ¹⁹Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

- C ²⁰This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.
- L ²¹I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- C ²⁶Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Hymn	"Ride On	Ride On in	n Majesty!"	(vs. 1 & 4)	ELW #346
					e: ELW #434)

SECOND LESSON: 1 John 5:13-15

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

- P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 7th chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Matthew 7:7-11

- P The Gospel of our Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Hymn of the Day	"My Song Is Love Unknown"	(vs. 1-3)	ELW #343
		(Alt. tune	: ELW #640)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition ends with the following response:

P Hosanna!

C Hosanna, Son of David.

Conclusion:

- P Into your hands, Lord Jesus, we place all of our needs, knowing that you are the King of Glory who answers when we ask, seek and knock.
- C Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE	"Create in Me a Clean Heart"	ELW #186
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OFFERING PRAYER

P O Lord, you offered yourself to us as a servant - giving to us everything you had - even your life. Accept now that which we offer in your service, bless it and every work of our hearts and our hands that they may be fruitful in the work of your kingdom. We ask this in your name.

C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

 C 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;

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and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL READINGS: John 12:17-19, 37, 42-47

PASSION READING

Moment of Silence

Hymn

"Ah, Holy Jesus"

(vs. 1-4) ELW #349

BENEDICTION

- P Passing from joy into sorrow and on to elation,
- C we come to Christ this holy week.
- P Today is only a part of the story.
- C Jesus' triumph leads to his death, his death to his resurrection.
- P May the journey of this week lead you into the fullness of Christ's love. Amen.

SENDING LITANY

- P We have gathered with the crowds crying Hosanna! And now we follow the crowd as it leads out to the cross, and yet even as the world grows dark, we cannot lose hope.
- C Because God is with us. God will be with us. Whatever happens. We are not alone.
- P And so we watch the crowd and we follow . . .

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