

April 10, 2022 Trinity Church



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WORSHIPING THE ONE WHO HUMBLED HIMSELF FOR US

Liturgist: Matt Pannkuk Scripture Reader: Amy Mitchell Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Ron Ridderbos

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflection

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.

— Theodulf, Bishop of Orleans (c. 820)

Preparation for Worship- A Prayer for Palm Sunday- Rev. Scotty Smith

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double. Zech. 9:9-12(NIV)

Dear Lord Jesus, we'll exhaust the glory of this passage when the Amazon River flows backwards, the sun turns into a snow cone, and Yellow Fin Tuna yodel. Who is it that fulfills Zechariah's magnificent vision? It is you, King Jesus, and we welcome you and rejoice in you on this Palm Sunday.

No other king could vanquish warhorses and warriors, riding the foal of a donkey. No other king could break the battle bow and backbone of warfare, by the brokenness of the cross. No other king could replace the dominion of darkness and the tyranny of evil, with an eternal reign of grace and peace. No other king would give his life and death for the redemption of rebels and idolaters like us. No other king can possibly make slaves of sin into prisoners of hope.

Lord Jesus, **you** are that King—the King of glory, the Monarch of mercy, the Governor of grace, the Prince of Peace—the King of Kings and Lord of Lords! **Great** is our rejoicing, because **grace** is our salvation! You have come to us and for us—righteous and victorious, loving and sovereign.

By the riches of your grace, continue to free us from waterless pits, broken cisterns and worthless idols. By the power of the gospel, enable us to live as prisoners of hope and agents of redemption, until the Day you return to finish making all things new. So very Amen we pray, in your holy and matchless name. Song of Preparation

Call to Worship—Psalm 118 (selected)

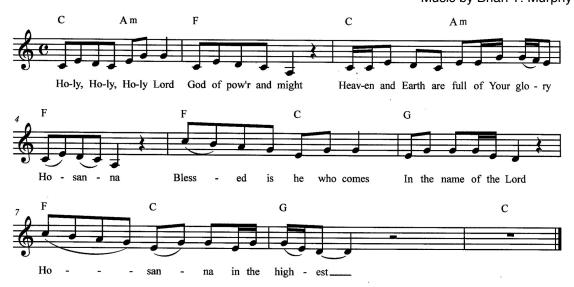
- Leader: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say,
- People: "His steadfast love endures forever."
- Leader: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.
- People: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- All: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

All Glory, Laud, and Honor Trinity Hymnal #235

Sanctus Music by Brian T. Murphy



*Prayer of Adoration

Children's Sermon

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD New Testament Reading—Luke 19:28-40

The Triumphal Entry

And when he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it.'" So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" And they said, "The Lord has need of it." And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. As he was drawing near-already on the way down the Mount of Olives-the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works 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!" And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

- Reader: The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever!
- People: Thanks be to God!

WE CONFESS OUR UTTER UNWORTHINESS BEFORE GOD

Call to Confession—Psalm 31:9-10

Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress; my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body also. For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my iniquity, and my bones waste away.

Silent Confession and Lament

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Psalm 31:19

Oh, how abundant is your goodness, which you have stored up for those who fear you and worked for those who take refuge in you, in the sight of the children of mankind!

Leader: Christian, give thanks to God for His abundant goodness!

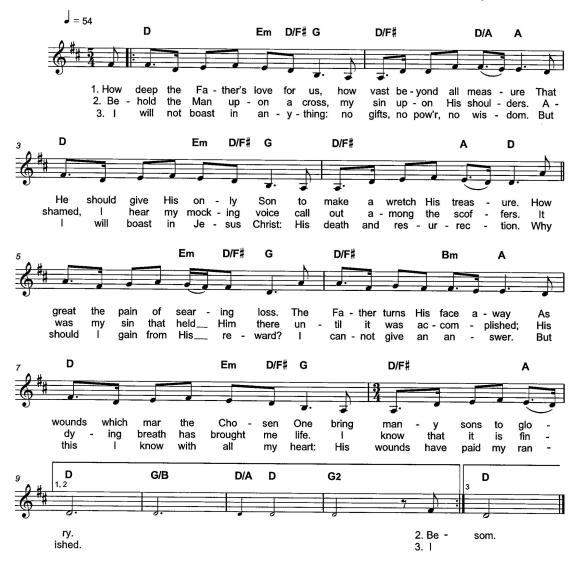
People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: Now may the peace of Christ be with you all!

People: And also with you!

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Words and Music by Stuart Townend



WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

(Children ages 4yr to 2nd grade may be excused for Children's Church)

Offertory Song (Ensemble)

Jerusalem

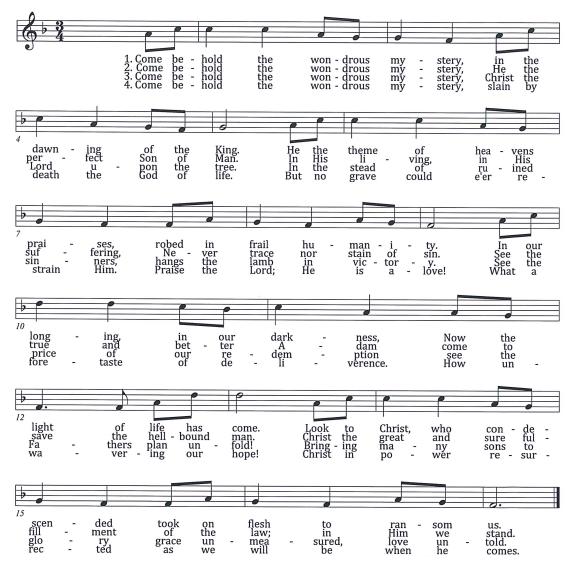
Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, and Tiarne Tranter. Arr. by Dustin Loehrs and Grant Wall

Sermon

"The Humiliation of Christ" Philippians 2:5-11 Rev. Dr. Chris Polski *Song of Response

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Words and Music by Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, and Michael Bleecker



*Benediction

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday school classes for all ages meet today. Adult SS options: The Gospel of Matthew (classroom one), The Heart of Evangelism (classroom two), Called to Worship, Exporing Worship at Trinity (fireplace room). There is **no** Sunday school on Easter Sunday.

Jr High Sunday School, grades 6th-8th, meet downstairs in room LL4. This spring the Jr. High are going through a study on Prayer. Sr. High Sunday School, (9th-12th), meet downstairs in room LL1. The Sr. High are going through a study of the book of Daniel.

The Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study meets at Melissa Jorgensen's home THIS week at 7pm to discuss the Sermon on the Mount.

The Men's and Women's (Wednesday and Friday) Bible Studies will NOT meet this week.

ACTION bible studies and children's ministries will NOT meet this week due to Holy Week. We will resume on Apr. 20th.

Camp Strong, for students in 4-6th grade will take place April 22-24. Registration is now open. See Pastor Ben for more info.

Holy Week: Maundy Thursday, Apr. 14th at 6pm (for those that have registered). Good Friday devotion time, Apr. 15th open from 7:30am to 7:30pm, Easter Services: Apr. 17th at 7am and 9:30am.

Volunteers next week: Nursery: Linenbroker, Wyse, Moen. **Ushers**: Schaeffer, Schlitt, Thompson.

Missionaries, Hatem and Lisa Botros will be in St.Louis with their two children Jun. 17-Aug. 31st. They are looking for a place to stay during that time. Please contact the church office if you are able to help. If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org.

There are **several easy ways to serve at Trinity**. Feel free to reach out to these ministry coordinators to get involved: **Ushers**: Paul Schaffer (PaulSchaffer1012@gmail.com), **Children's Church**: Melissa Kocher (medcalf.melissa@gmail.com), **Greeters**: Elisa Tharp (elisa.f.tharp@gmail.com), **Nursery**: Sarah Oehlerking, Deborah Moen, Alyssa Hall, and Ruth Harlow (nursery@trinitystlouis.org).

Did you know you can use the **Church Center app** for online giving, church directory, to sign up for events, connect with your small groups, bible studies, etc? Contact the church office for assistance.

You can **sign up for all upcoming events** by scanning your phone camera over the QR code and then <u>following the link</u>:



EASTER FLOWERS

The flowers we will have in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday will be available to take home after the 9:30am service next week. There will be a basket in the church office for donations to cover the cost. We will have hanging baskets and other size flowers and plants.

MISSION UPDATE

Two Sundays ago we welcomed Oasis International and their founders, Mark and Joani Akers. During our Sunday School hour they shared with us their vision for welcoming refugees and immigrants and sharing the love of Jesus with them. Through their ministry in South City, they have served over 50 nations and are prepared to receive many more. Ukrainians may be coming.

Recently, they have welcomed over 600 Afghani refugees. They have befriended and fully furnished several apartments for them. Through volunteers, they have committed to walking alongside them from the moment they arrive at the airport to first trips to supermarkets and the DMV. These are things that even mosques have not done for them. The Arabic Coordinator, Haddy Matta (who joined us also last week, with his family), told us during Sunday School, that he has received phones calls from refugee family members thanking Oasis because of the friendship and love their mothers, fathers, sisters, and brothers, have been shown in a strange new land. When refugees and immigrants call relatives they say, "It was the Christians who welcomed us." This is a beautiful testimony to the God we represent.

As a church we have the privilege to partner with Oasis in this ministry. Here are some of the current service opportunities:

- Childcare for families learning English
- Teaching English as a Second Language (ESL)
- Furniture deliveries
- Hosting baby showers
- Transportation assistance
- Building projects at Outreach events

For more information on getting involved with this local ministry, visit them at www.oasis4refugees.org/get-involved. When you do, please let Pablo know so that we can pray for and support you.

To donate furniture, or financially, visit www.oasis4refugees.org/donate or scan

the QR code here:



UPCOMING EVENTS WITH OASIS

Coffee - Oasis has partnered with Cherry Street Roasters in Illinois to provide a smooth, Fairtrade Sumatra bean coffee. We will be receiving 15 bags of ground coffee and 5 bags of whole bean coffee in the coming weeks. These will be available to purchase directly from our new coffee area through a QR code. **ALL** of the proceeds go directly to support Oasis' work with newly-arriving refugees right here in St. Louis.

BBQ – Mark your calendars! **Saturday, May 21**st we will be heading down to Oasis to grill and enjoy time with several refugee and immigrant families. We are hoping to rent a bouncy house, provide music, kid's crafts, and neighborly fellowship. It is a day of fun and fellowship for the whole family...yes, children too! For this to work, we will need a minimum of 30 adult/teen volunteers. Please begin to pray about this and be on the lookout for the registration email in the coming weeks.

Trinity's ministries are organized around the core values in our purpose statement which reads: Trinity Church exists to **exalt** God's name, **establish** God's people, **equip** God's church and **engage** God's world, in the power of the Holy Spirit and for the sake of the Risen King, Jesus Christ.