

**Order of Worship  
for  
Palm Sunday  
April 2, 2023**

**ORGAN PRELUDE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MUSICAL OFFERING**  
**“Embrace the Day”**  
*performed by King of Glory Choir*  
*directed by Julie Shadinger*

*On this Sunday we gather for worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.*

**Amen!**

*The peace of the Lord be with you always!*  
**And also with you!**

## **KYRIE**

*(from the ELW, pages 140-141)*

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ the Lamb, who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom and strength,  
and honor and blessing and glory are His.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God,  
and join in the hymn of all creation.**

**Blessing, honor, glory, and might  
be to God and the Lamb forever, Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain  
has begun His reign, alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## **PRAYER**

*O God of meekness and majesty, in the mystery of Your Son's Palm Sunday and Passion Week You offer infinite love to the world. Help us gather to worship You this week and serve You forever; through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.*

## **SONG**

**"Cry of My Heart"**

## READING

Revelation 7:9-17

**The lesson for today is from the book of Revelation, chapter seven, verses nine through seventeen. John writes:**

*<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup> They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup> And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup> singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."*

*<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" <sup>14</sup> I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup> For this reason they are before the throne of God and worship Him day and night within His temple, and the One who is seated on the throne will shelter them. <sup>16</sup> They will hunger no more and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat, <sup>17</sup> for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and He will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."*

## **GOSPEL**

Matthew 21:1-11

**The Gospel reading is from Matthew, chapter twenty-one, verses one through eleven. Matthew writes:**

*When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup> saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." <sup>4</sup> This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet: <sup>5</sup> "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."*

*<sup>6</sup> The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; <sup>7</sup> they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and He sat on them. <sup>8</sup> A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup> The crowds that went ahead of Him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" <sup>10</sup> When He entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" <sup>11</sup> The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."*

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**"Palms Up!"**

**Rev. David Hewitt**

## **MESSAGE**

**"The Promise-Keeper"**

**Rev. David Hewitt**

**HYMN**  
**“All Glory, Laud and Honor”**  
**ELW 344**

**OFFERING**

*Your offerings are more than just money to keep the lights turned on. Your gifts help to sustain and expand all of our ministries here at King of Glory, including those which provide direct assistance to those in our community who are in need. We are grateful for all of the gifts we receive, and we strive to be good stewards of the resources you provide to us.*

*On the first Sunday of each month, we take up a special offering towards world hunger. If you are giving online, simply select the "World Hunger" option.*

**If you wish to give online, you can [use our app](#)  
Or, go to our website at <https://kogcarmel.org/give>**

**HYMN**  
**“We Are an Offering”**  
**ELW 692**

**AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**  
**THE NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
Of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation,  
He came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day He rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.

### **THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

*During this time, we pray for all those who need God's blessings, and praise Him  
for the blessings He has bestowed upon us.*

*During the prayers, there will be a time of silence, when we offer our personal  
prayers to God.*

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*We prepare to receive the sacraments of Holy Communion, by remembering the  
words and actions of Jesus during the Last Supper.*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven  
hallowed be Your name,  
Your kingdom come,  
Your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are Yours  
now and forever.  
Amen.**

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

***For those worshipping in-house,  
we invite you to come forward if you wish.  
If you prefer to take communion at your seat,  
you may so.***

***For those worshipping online,  
If you are able,  
we invite you to take communion where you are,  
using whatever form of bread or drink is available to you, to symbolize the body  
and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ.***

## **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

***Now, may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, keep you in His grace and  
peace, now and forever. Amen!***

**SONG**  
**“Meekness and Majesty”**

**BENEDICTION**

*May the Lord bless you and keep you; May the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you God’s peace; in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.*

**HYMN**  
**“Lift High the Cross”**  
**ELW 660**

*For those worshipping in house, we will process outside during the hymn,  
weather permitting.*

*For those worshipping online, feel free to stay online and join us afterwards for  
some special messages!*

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**Organist & Choir Director:** Julie Shadinger  
**Pianist & Sounds of Glory Director:** David Moscrip

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