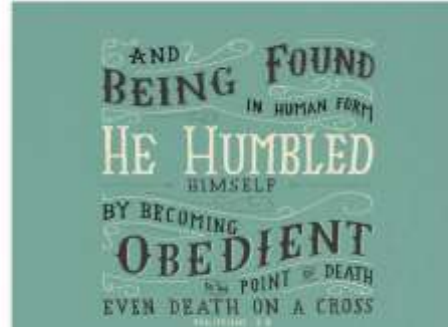


Readings, Prayers, Sermon Notes, Psalms, Hymns
To Study and Share with those You Love.

WEEK OF MARCH 24, 2024

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Hymn of Invocation **All Glory, Laud, and Honor** 442

INTROIT PSALM 24

Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!* We bless you from the house | of the LORD. **Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O | ancient doors,* that the King of glory | may come in.** Who is this King of | glory?* The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in | battle! **Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O | ancient doors,* that the King of glory | may come in.** Who is this King of | glory?* The LORD of Armies, he is the King of | glory! **Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!* We bless you from the house | of the LORD.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection;
through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

PSALM 118

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 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 pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success! **Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.** The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, 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.** Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures fo ever! **Glory to the Father and to the + Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever, Amen.** Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

PALM SUNDAY/SUNDAY OF THE PASSION 24 MARCH 2024

Zechariah 9:9–12 Philippians 2:5–11 Mark 14:1—15:47

The Son of David Ascends His Throne and Reigns in Love from His Cross

- The Son of David comes in gentle humility, “sitting on a donkey’s colt,” yet as the King of Israel “in the name of the Lord” (John 12:13–15). He comes to be lifted up in glory on the cross in order to cast out “the ruler of this world” and draw all people to Himself (John 12:23–32). T
- The Church is thus called to “rejoice greatly,” because her King comes with salvation, and “he shall speak peace to the nations” (Zech. 9:9–10). As He is anointed “beforehand for burial” (Mark 14:8), He also ascends His royal throne as “the King of the Jews” by way of His Passion (Mark 15:2, 17–19, 26). He goes “as it is written of him,” wherefore “you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power” (Mark 14:21, 62).
- For the glory of God is love, which crescendos in the humble obedience and voluntary self-sacrifice of the Son of God for the salvation of sinners. So, God the Father has “highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name” (Phil. 2:9), that He might reign over us in love with the forgiveness of His cross.

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Hymn of the Day **Christ Is the World's Redeemer** 539

SERMON NOTES

He humbled Himself Philippians 2:7-8

Jesus emptied Himself of His privileges, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

As Jesus emptied and humbled Himself, becoming like us in every way except sin, He resisted the devil's pride, breaking the power of death on the cross.

1. Jesus emptied and humbled Himself for us

1. He did not cling to His divine privileges
2. He manifests the power of humility

2. Jesus became like us in every way except sin

1. The joys and sorrows, trials and temptations
2. Being subject to suffering and death

3. Jesus resisted the devil's pride / broke the power of death

1. God resists the proud / gives grace to the humble
2. He who keeps My Word shall not see death forever

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH PALM SUNDAY/SUNDAY OF THE PASSION 24
MARCH 2024

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord God, Your Son humbled Himself to the point of death, even death on a cross. Fix our faith upon His death for our salvation, enrich the proclamation of the Gospel, and enliven our hearts to live out this faith until Christ comes again in glory. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Uphold this world in Your order. Preserve the Church and the preaching of Your Word against all enemies. Bless our homes, that parents and children may serve one another faithfully and grow in instruction and faith until life's end. Give health and wisdom to all who serve in public office, that their authority may be exercised for the benefit of our people. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God Almighty, our Lord Jesus did not count His equality with You something to be grasped, but humbled Himself. Grant us a mind like His to spurn all worldly equality and, humbling ourselves, to find Your greater portion in the life of the world to come. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord of hosts, Your Son came to deliver His people from all evil. Take away the fear of all who suffer in this world [*especially*

_____]. As they await the fullness of their salvation, fix their eyes upon their crucified Savior. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal Lord, as Your Son once entered humbly into Jerusalem to cries of "hosanna," so send Him to us according to His promise in the Holy Sacrament, that we may eat His body and drink His blood in repentance and faith for the forgiveness of our sins and in the unity of a true confession. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! We praise You, Father, that You have sent Your Son not in wrath but in mercy. As we enter this most holy week and ponder together the mysteries of Your great salvation, show us the answer to Your people's prayers of "hosanna" in the Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**