

## WORSHIP HANDOUT

Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Palm Sunday



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

\*SONG OF WELCOME TFWS 2236 Gather Us In

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

We waited for guidance,

**Now you are in our midst, O Lord.**

We gather in celebration,

**We lift up praise to you, our Messiah!**

Christ is with us,

**He comes to restore us with tidings of love! Amen.**

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

OPENING PRAYER

We line the streets, we sing our songs, we shout our praises,  
Hosannah! You restore our souls, you restore our hearts, you revive  
our lives! Your love fills us and moves us closer towards God. Help us  
to be reminded of the gift given to us at Easter and refreshed in us at  
the table each and every time we gather. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION (CONT.)

SONG AS CHILDREN GATHER Hosanna, Loud Hosanna UMH 278

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## LESSON I

## Matthew 21:1-11 CEB

When they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus gave two disciples a task. <sup>2</sup> He said to them, “Go into the village over there. As soon as you enter, you will find a donkey tied up and a colt with it. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says anything to you, say that their master needs them.” He sent them off right away. <sup>4</sup> Now this happened to fulfill what the prophet said, <sup>5</sup> *Say to Daughter Zion, “Look, your king is coming to you, humble and riding on a donkey, and on a colt the donkey’s offspring.”*<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>6</sup> The disciples went and did just as Jesus had ordered them. <sup>7</sup> They brought the donkey and the colt and laid their clothes on them. Then he sat on them.

<sup>8</sup> Now a large crowd spread their clothes on the road. Others cut palm branches off the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup> The crowds in front of him and behind him shouted, “*Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord!*”<sup>[b]</sup> *Hosanna in the highest!*” <sup>10</sup> And when Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up. “Who is this?” they asked. <sup>11</sup> The crowds answered, “It’s the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

### **May God add a blessing to this reading.**

ANTHEM

The Messiah Has Come

by Choplin

TIME OF PRAYER

Prayers/Names of the People

PASTORAL AND SILENT PRAYER (MUSIC)

LORD’S PRAYER

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 now and forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

\*UNISON PRAYER

Almighty God,  
giver of every good and perfect gift,  
teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are,  
that we may praise you not with our words only,  
but with our whole lives. Amen.

\*HYMN

Lamb of God

TFWS 2113

\*LESSON 2

**Matthew 26: 17-21 CEB**

**17 On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, the disciples came to Jesus and said, “Where do you want us to prepare for you to eat the Passover meal?”**

**18 He replied, “Go into the city, to a certain man, and say, ‘The teacher says, “My time is near. I’m going to celebrate the Passover with my disciples at your house.”’” 19 The disciples did just as Jesus instructed them. They prepared the Passover. 20 That evening he took his place at the table with the twelve disciples. 21 As they were eating he said, “I assure you that one of you will betray me.”**

L: This is the Word of God for all people.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

The Precipice

\*HYMN            O Scared Head, Now Wounded vs. 1,2    UMH 286

\*BENEDICTION and RESPONSE

                  O Scared Head, Now Wounded vs. 3    UMH 286

POSTLUDE