



**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let us enter the city with Jesus today!

Let us sing hosanna to our king,  
to the son of God riding on a donkey.  
Let us shout for joy at Christ's coming,  
wave palm branches in anticipation,  
and follow the One who welcomes the wayward  
and dines with the outcast.  
Let us offer praise as God-in-the-flesh draws near,  
riding in triumph toward the cross.

**HYMN #196 All Glory, Laud, and Honor**

**PRAYER OF PRAISE**

*Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!  
Shout, daughter of Jerusalem!  
See, your king comes to you;  
righteous and having salvation,  
gentle and riding on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey. (Zechariah 9:9)*

Humble Jesus, as the people spread their coats  
on the ground and waved palm branches  
to welcome you into Jerusalem,  
so we welcome you into our lives this morning.  
King of Glory, Prince of Peace, Servant King,  
reign in our hearts and lives this day and all days,  
that we might praise your name.  
*Blessed is the One who comes  
in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest!* (Psalm 118:26)

**RESPONSE #197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REFLECTION**

Loving God, you rode a donkey and came in peace,  
humbled yourself and gave yourself for us.  
We confess our lack of humility.

As you entered Jerusalem on Sunday,  
the crowds shouted  
"Hosanna, save us now!"  
On Friday they shouted "Crucify him!"  
We confess that our praise is often fickle.

As the crowd laid their coats  
and waved their palms in front of you,  
you took no glory for yourself  
on the way to the cross.  
We confess that we want to be accepted  
and take the easy way.  
We struggle to stay true to your will.  
Forgive us, and help us to follow  
in the way of faithfulness.

(silent prayer and reflection)

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**—from Psalm 118:4-5, 14, 17

*"Let those who fear the Lord say,  
'God's steadfast love endures forever.  
Out of my distress I called on the Lord;  
the Lord answered me and set me free.  
The Lord is my strength and my song;  
he has become my salvation.  
I shall not die, but live,  
and recount the deeds of the Lord.'"*

In Christ, God answers us and sets us free!  
In Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God!**

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**HYMN #265 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Isaiah 56:1-8 and Mark 11:1-11,  
15-19

**MESSAGE** Making Room

**HYMN #301 All Are Welcome**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For yours is the kingdom,  
and the power,  
and the glory  
now and forever. Amen.

**HYMN** (insert) *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** *I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked*  
- David Little, piano