

PALM SUNDAY
PUBLIC WORSHIP
 11:00 A.M.
The Reverend Gerald Egger, Officiate

LARGE PRINT hymnals available
 NURSERY is available upon request during the Worship Service
 SUNDAY SCHOOL is available during the Worship Service, except during summer
 *All who are able may stand

THE GATHERING

DISTRIBUTION OF PALMS and PALM-CROSSES

PRELUDE with SILENT PRAYERS: *Adagio by W. A. Mozart*

God of salvation, our Lord endured his passion to raise us to life. In this holiest of weeks, help us to walk the way of the cross. Give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, so that, sharing in his humility we may come to be with him in his glory. Amen.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Leader, Sally Kohler

MISSION MOMENT:

Our mission is to provide a church home that serves our congregation and our community through praise, worship, and Christian outreach with a determination to live by God's Word and for God's glory.

MARCH MISSION: Operation We Care

INTROIT: *"My Song Is Love Unknown"*

CALL TO WORSHIP (Worship Leader/**People**)

Give thanks to God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

We praise the suffering servant who comes in God's name.

Wave palms in praise and celebration.

This is the day that our Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad. Hosanna!

*HYMN: #300 (CELEBRATION Hymnal) *"All Glory, Laud and Honor"*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: *When People Suffer*

Reverend Gerald Egger

CALL TO CONFESSION

Worship Leader, Sally Kohler

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (Worship Leader/**People**)

God our Redeemer, we confess that we sometimes ignore what evils we see, that we can be indifferent to what is too painful to acknowledge, and that we can push aside what intrudes on our personal comfort. Forgive our self-centeredness, our lack of compassion, our lack of involvement. Pardon our reluctant, half-done imitation of the suffering servanthood of Jesus Christ. (Time of silent reflection)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SONG OF PRAISE: *Jesus remember me when You come into Your kingdom. Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.*

CONCERNS and JOYS

CALL TO PRAYER

Reverend Gerald Egger

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

In response to "Save us, O Lord," say **"For your mercy is great."**

THE LORD'S PRAYER: (Traditional) Inside back cover of Hymnals

*WORDS & GESTURES OF PEACE:

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THE PROCLAIMING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Worship Leader, Sally Kohler

SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 11:1-11 (Pew Bible Page 47) Worship Leader, Sally Kohler

Jesus enters Jerusalem triumphantly

ANTHEM: *Hosanna! Blessed Is He That Cometh*

Choir

SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a (Pew Bible Page 681) Worship Leader, Sally Kohler

The suffering servant prepares to face his adversaries

SERMON: *The Face of Courage*

Reverend Gerald Egger

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *"The Nicene Creed"* (Traditional) Inside back cover of Hymnals

*HYMN: #139 (CELEBRATION Hymnal) *"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"*

THE RESPONDING

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER – Please note that the elements we serve are gluten-free

INVITATION TO OFFERING – Please note that all loose currency will be directed to the Deacons' Fund

Fund

*SONG OF DEDICATION: *"Doxology"*

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen."

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SENDING

*HYMN: #667 (CELEBRATION Hymnal) *"Lord, Speak to Me"*

*CHARGE and BLESSING

*CLOSING SONG:

Go now in peace. Never be afraid God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE: *Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended?* -Helmut Walcha

Director of Music – Matthew Gillis

*Seek the mind of Christ, who was humble,
 but exalted by God. Philippians 2:5-11*