THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

March 16, 2008

Palm Sunday

10:45 a.m.

Palm Sunday, often called Passion Sunday, begins Holy Week and our attention on the sufferings and crucifixion of Jesus. Our worship begins with our children's processional of palm branches, reminding us that Christ began this agonizing week hailed as a king. As it was necessary for this temporal joy to turn to sorrow before true triumph came, may the Holy Spirit instill in each of us the need of brokenness in order to truly celebrate in joy. As you prepare for worship this morning, you are encouraged to do so in reverence. We are grateful that you have chosen to be here and hope that you will return for our times of reflective worship throughout this week and our celebration of the resurrection next Sunday.

WELCOME TO WORSHIPERS and MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

*INVITATION TO SHARE IN WORSHIP

based on John 12:13

King Jesus comes, King Jesus, Son of God, Son of Man, Messiah Hail! King Jesus, King of all!

Recall the words of the Scriptures: "A great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees, and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"

In praise we adore you, King Jesus. Enter our hearts today as you entered Jerusalem long ago, and lead us by faith in the way everlasting. Amen

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE All Glory, Laud, and Honor arr. Davis

Pote

We invite you to prepare your heart to encounter the living God in worship!

CALL TO WORSHIP Hosanna

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, sanna, Ho! Hosanna to the King of Kings. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Sing hosanna. Blessed is the Son, is the Son of David. Sing hosanna. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Jeff Allen INVOCATION

Hosanna. Loud Hosanna HYMN NO. 130 **ELLACOMBE** PROCESSION OF THE CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S TIME Jeff Allen

SCRIPTURE LESSON Cindy Huffman

Psalm 118 1-2, 19-29; Zechariah 9:9-12; John 12:12-19

CALL TO CONFESSION

Cindy Huffman

Jesus, our Lord, we shout hosannas to praise you. With eager hands we place our cloaks and palms on the path before you. Yet, Lord, we confess that the mouths that seek to praise you often deny or defy you. And we confess that the hands that seek to serve you often become fists. Lord, hear us as we confess.

(silent confession)

ASSSURANCE OF PARDON

Cindy Huffman

Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

For Christ came into the world not to condemn the world. but that the world through him should be saved.

Therefore, be imitators of God, as beloved children.

And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Hosanna! Amen!

*HYMN NO. 200

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

DIADEM

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Craig Cashwell

OFFERTORY How Beautiful

*DEDICATION OF GIFTS

Doxology

OLD 100^{TH}

arr. Haves

Pastor

Pastor

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

SERMON Why Palms?

Matthew 21:1-11

At the Name of Jesus *HYMN NO. 198

WYE VALLEY

BENEDICTION

(Congregation may be seated for benediction response)

RESPONSE Ride On! Ride on in Majesty

Ride on! Ride on in majesty! Ride on! Ride on! Ride on to die; O Savior meek, pursue Thy road with palms and scattered garments strow'd. Ride on! Ride on in majesty! Ride on! Ride on! Ride on to die! O Christ Thy triumphs now begin o'er captive death and conquered sin. Ride on! Ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die; Bow Thy meek head in mortal pain, Then take, O God, Thy power, and reign. Ride on in majesty!

POSTLUDE

The Royal Banners Forward Go!

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^{*} Those who are able are asked to stand.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in our Sanctuary are given by Mabel Bullard in loving memory of her husband, Raymond Bullard.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today

12:15 p.m. Visitation Assignments

Youth Choir 4:30

5:30 Youth Snack Supper

6:00 Youth Discipleship, Channels Rehearsal

L.I.F.E. Worship Service 7:00 8:00 Handbells Rehearsal

Monday

7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 907

Tuesday

Grace Notes Rehearsal 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday

No Family Night Activities

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

College Parkers - Smith Hall 11:30 a.m.

5:30-6:30 p.m. Supper Line Open Maundy Thursday Service 7:00

Friday

Office Closed

Tenebrae Service 7:00 p.m.

Saturday

Men's Bible Study 7:00 a.m.

The Passion Rock Opera - Smith Hall 7:00 p.m.

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