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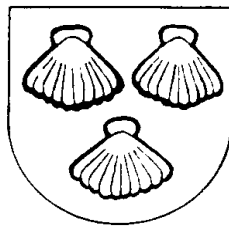
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9:30 am

“Sit Up”

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Gathering Up

Prelude "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"; "Processional" by Alfred V. Fedak

Offered by Clarice Snyder

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Welcome

We Acknowledge What's Up

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Gathering Song

"We Gather Together"

Handbell Choir

Kremser, Traditional Netherlands Melody
Arr. by Frances L. Callahan
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Confession/Assurance

Leader:

Let us pray together:

**All: Peace-loving God, our first instinct in fighting oppression
is often to take up weapons,
utter fighting words, and lash out with vitriol.
But Jesus demonstrated humility and patience,
even against his mortal enemies.
In this moment of quiet, we lift up to you
those things we'd like to give up for good...
for the sake of The Good.**

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Meditative Moment

Psalm 118

Response: In the name of Christ, you are forgiven.
**In the name of Christ, you are forgiven.
Glory to God, Amen!**

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Passing the Peace of Christ

Response: As a people forgiven and freed,
we reach out to lift others up, offering the peace of Christ.
Peace be with you!
And also with you!

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***Opening Hymn**

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

UMH 278

1. Hosanna loud hosanna
The little children sang
Through pillared court and temple
The lovely anthem rang
To Jesus who had blessed them
Close folded to His breast
The children sang their praises
The simplest and the best .

2. From Olivet they followed
A happy joyous crowd
The victor palm branch waving
And chanting clear and loud
The Lord of earth and heaven
Rode on in lowly state
And scorned that little children
Should on his bidding wait

3. Hosanna in the highest
That ancient song we sing
For Christ is our Redeemer
The Lord of heaven our King
O may we ever praise Him
With heart and life and voice
And in His blissful presence
Eternally rejoice.

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Filling Up

What's Up? With Children

Edie Candee

The Word Uplifts

Scripture

John 12: 12-16

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Anthem "Palm Sunday Processional" (Hosanna to the Son of David) ***Chancel Choir and Handbell Choir***

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Message

"Sit Up"

Rev. Patricia Abell

Building Up

**Prayer for God's People, Church, & World
Lord's Prayer**

Antuan Hairston

Offering

Offertory

"Palm Sunday Celebration"

Handbell Choir

Ellacombe, Arranged by Dan R. Edwards
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***Doxology**

"A Lenten Doxology"

Praise God throughout these forty days
Praise Christ our Lord whom God did raise
And praise the Spirit who imparts
God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen

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Offering Prayer

Blessing for the Journey

*Closing Hymn

"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

UMH 277

1. Tell me the stories of Jesus
I love to hear
Things I would ask Him
To tell me if He were here
Scenes by the wayside
Tales of the sea
Stories of Jesus tell them to me

2. First let me hear how the children
Stood round his knee
And I shall fancy his blessing
Resting on me
Words full of kindness
Deeds full of grace
Loudest hosannas Jesus is King

3. Into the city I'd follow
the children's band
Waving a branch of palm tree
High in my hand
One of His heralds
Yes I would sing
Loudest hosanna's Jesus is King

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Benediction

Rev. Patricia Abell

And so now go into the world,
committed to peaceful acts of resistance,
sitting up and paying attention to the quiet symbols of God's uplifting presence,
knowing that even in the midst of crushing oppression,
you have all you need to be up to something.

When someone asks you, "What are you up to?"
you can respond,
"With God's help, I'm up to something good!"

Let the people say, Amen!
Amen!

Music for Movin' On Up

Postlude

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor" setting by Alex. Guilmant

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Questions for Reflection

*The passion of Christ is a story of terror in which, against all odds, love wins.
How might this story reshape your week, your life, our world?
Where will you commit to letting love win? How will this change your life?*

Household Prayer: Morning

*Jesus, in your passion and resurrection,
you show me there is no place you have not been and no place you fear to go.
Morning by morning, you awaken me more deeply to this truth.
Send me into the world this day with the courage and wisdom
to be a faithful witness to your coming reign of justice, mercy, and peace. Amen.*

Household Prayer: Evening

*Forgiving God, although I have sought to serve you this day,
I have failed to keep your love.
You know my strengths and weaknesses more than I;
reveal them to me that I may be healed this night
and begin afresh tomorrow. Amen.*

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