

Understanding What is Ahead

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PALM SUNDAY

with Communion

Prelude		Jeremy McKissack
Welcome & Announcements		Dr. Keva Green
*Opening Hymn	<i>We Gather Together</i>	UMH #131
*Call to Worship		Mike Immler
Leader:	Lord, we gather our hearts together this Palm Sunday to celebrate who you are.	
People:	We cheer and shout, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"	
Leader:	But do we really recognize your identity, and do we really understand what is ahead?	
People:	Lord, open our eyes that we might truly see you. Open our ears that we might hear your voice.	
Leader:	We do not know what the future holds, so we lean on you for guidance.	
People:	Open our minds to better understand your call on our lives. Open our hearts that we might love others the way that you love.	
Leader:	You are our God, our refuge and our strength.	
All:	In you we put our trust. All glory and honor and praise be yours. Amen.	
Palm Processional	<i>Hosanna, Loud, Hosanna</i>	UMH #278
*Opening Prayer		Mike Immler
*Hymn Medley:		
	<i>Tell Me the Stories of Jesus</i>	UMH #277
	<i>Crown Him with Many Crowns</i>	UMH #327
*Affirmation of Faith (UMH #881)		Congregation
*Gloria Patri (UMH # 70)		Congregation
Pastoral Prayer with The Lord's Prayer		
Worship Through Giving		Jeremy McKissack
Doxology		UMH #95
Message	Understanding What is Ahead John 12:12-28	Dr. Keva Green

Holy Communion

Hymn of Response	<i>When I Survey the Wondrous Cross</i>	UMH #298
*Benediction		Dr. Keva Green
	May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all forever and ever. Amen.	
*Benediction Hymn	<i>Blest Be the Tie</i>	UMH #557
Postlude		Jeremy McKissack

WE GATHER TOGETHER

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing
He chastens and hastens His will to make known
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing
Sing praises to His Name, He forgets not His own

HOSANNA, LOUD HOSANNA

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.

From Olivet they followed
mid an exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving,
and chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven
rode on in lowly state,
nor scorned that little children
should on his bidding wait.

"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!

TELL ME THE STORIES OF JESUS

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.

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,
All in the love light of Jesus' face.

Into the city I'd follow the children's band,
Waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand;
One of His heralds, yes, I would sing
Loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King!"

CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own!
Awake, my soul and sing
Of Him Who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of **life!**
Who triumphed o'er the grave,
Who rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing,
Who died, and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring,
And lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of **peace!**
Whose power a scepter sways,
From pole to pole,--that wars may cease,
And all be prayer and praise:
his reign shall know no end,
And round his pierced feet
Fair flowers of paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of **love!**
Behold His hands and side—
Those wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me;
Thy praise and glory shall not fail
Throughout eternity.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God
the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and
the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

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GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the
Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall
be: World without end. Amen.

THE 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, forever. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

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.

HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation and Confession

**We do not presume to come to this your
table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own
goodness, but in your unfailing mercies.
We are not worthy that you should
receive us, but give your word and we
shall be healed through Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks and praise
to the Lord our God.
**People: It is right to give our thanks
and praise.**

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come
again.**

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**Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
in the power of the Holy Spirit we worship you in
songs of everlasting praise.
Blessing and honor and glory and power be yours
forever and ever. Amen.**

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

When I survey the wondrous cross
Oh which the Prince of glory died
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.

BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.