

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, April 14, 2019, 11:00 am

Palm Sunday

* Please rise in body and/or spirit

Music as We Gather

Gathering

* Clergy & Choir Enter

* **Introit:** "Come, We That Love the Lord" VU #715, v1

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you!

Welcome and Announcements

* **Call to Worship:**

One: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

All: Hosanna! Rejoice for the Lord is in our midst.

One: He comes with joy and hope.

All: He comes to set us free from fear.

One: Hosanna!

All: Hosanna! Glory to God in the Highest Heaven. AMEN.

* **Hymn:** "All Glory, Laud and Honour" VU #122

* **Lenten Candle Journey**

* **Opening Prayer:**

One: With great joy we welcome you, Jesus!

All: The journey has been long and we have longed to enter the Holy City.

One: You come into our hearts and our lives, humbly, patiently, encouraging us to learn and grow, to embark on journeys of hope and healing.

All: Open our hearts today to hear your words, as we sing praise to you. Hosanna!

One: Hosanna!

All: Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord's Name. Hosanna and Amen!

Listening

Minute for Mission

Children's Focus

Prayer Shawl Blessing

The Lord's Prayer

* **Hymn:** "He Came Riding on a Donkey" VU #124

Scripture Readings: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Luke 19:28-40

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: "Hosanna to the Son of David"

Sermon: **Make Some Noise**

* **Hymn:** "Ride On! Ride On in Majesty" VU #127

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

* **Offertory:** "God of All Good" VU #539, v3

* **Offertory Prayer:**

We cast these gifts before you, O God, as palms were cast before Jesus long ago. We lay them before you in praise, thanksgiving, and joy. Receive them from our hands, that they may become a greater blessing in your hands. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Prayers of the People

* **Hymn:** “Creator God You Gave Us Life” MV #27

* **Commissioning:**

One: Passing from joy into sorrow and on to elation,

All: we come to Christ this Holy Week.

One: Today is only a part of the story.

All: Jesus’ triumph leads to his death, his death to his resurrection.

One: May the journey of this week lead you into the fullness of Christ’s love.

* **Benediction**

Choral Blessing: “Simeon’s Blessing”

Music as We Depart

LENTEN CHALLENGE WEEK 6

Today is the final Sunday in Lent. Last week, we invited everyone to call or visit someone who is lonely. This week, your challenge is to do something sacrificial – something with a cost to it. It might cost you some time or some money, or it might mean going out of your way for someone else. You could do a chore around your house that somebody else usually does, or you could give some of your time to help someone with a project. Make this different than something you usually do. So, this is your challenge for the coming week.