

## In-Person Worship for March 28, 2021

### WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Nate Sell

We raise our voices and wave with joyful hope  
the palms of deliverance of God's people. Let us cry:

**Hosanna! Hosanna to the God who saves us!**

Our hearts are filled with expectation  
as we welcome the coming king. Let us cry:

**Hosanna! Hosanna to the God who saves us!**

We receive into the crowded streets of our lives  
the one who is Savior, not only of us, but of all the earth. Let us cry:

**Hosanna! Hosanna to the God who saves us!**

### PRELUDE – “Hosanna/Praise is Rising”

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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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.

**[Silence]**

### HYMN – “When I Survey the Wonderful Cross” - Isaac Watts

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

Forbid it Lord, that I should boast,  
Save in the death of Christ, my God.  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down.  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small.  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

## **SCRIPTURE READING – Mark 11:1-11**

### **Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem**

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

## **SERMON – Announcing the Kingdom**

**Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee**

## **ANTHEM – "Above All"- Lenny LeBlanc & Paul Baloché**

Above all powers above all kings  
Above all nature and all created things  
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man  
You were here before the world began

Above all kingdoms above all thrones  
Above all wonders the world has ever known  
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth  
There's no way to measure what You're worth

Crucified laid behind the stone  
You lived to die rejected and alone  
Like a rose trampled on the ground  
You took the fall and thought of me  
Above all

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & BENEDICTION**  
**Rev. Dr. Kate Guthrie**