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Sunday, March 20, 2016, 10:00am
Theme: Palm Sunday

✠ indicates stand as you are able
Bold indicates participation by the people

MV = More Voices
VU = Voices United

We Gather With

PRELUDE: *Kari Orosz – Crown Him with Many Crowns and Rejoice the Lord Is King with Clarke’s Trumpet Voluntary – arr. Marilyn Ham*

WELCOME & GREETING VISITORS (*Leader*)

✠GREETING ONE ANOTHER (Please feel free to move around)

SPIRIT LINES (Announcements)

CHRIST CANDLE, SILENCE, & TONE BOWL

INTROIT: *You Are Holy (Projected)*

MV#45

CALL TO WORSHIP: (*Projected – Responsive*)

One: Open the gates!

All: Love has come! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!

One: Open the gates!

All: The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

One: Open the gates!

All: This is the day that God has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

One: Open the gates!

All: Give thanks to God! God’s steadfast love endures forever.

One: Open the gates!

All: Love has come!

OPENING PRAYER: (*Unison, Projected*)

Love has burst through the gates of Jerusalem! We welcome the obedient, humble, and sacrificial love of God into our lives on this Palm Sunday. Fill our hearts with this love as we worship the one who taught us how to love one another. Amen.

✠HYMN: *He Came Riding on a Donkey (Projected)*

VU#124

(Children and Youth are invited to join with their leaders at one of the entrances to the Sanctuary)

Open Minds

SCRIPTURE: Luke 19:28-40 (*NRSV*)

Scripture Reader: Eldean O’Hearn

Affirmation:

One: This is the witness of The Church,

Many: thanks be to God!

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *The Adult Choir – Hosanna in the Highest*

– by Tuttle/Raney

THE MESSAGE

Open Hands

✠HYMN: *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (Projected)*

VU#123

MINUTE FOR MISSION: “*The Stones Cry Out*”

INVITATION TO OPEN HANDS (*Leader*)

OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN HANDS

with our Tithes, Offerings, & Prayers.

(*Please print clearly and place your Prayer Slips in the Prayer Baskets.*)

✠OFFERTORY: *All Is Done for the Glory (Projected)*

MV#34

‡OFFERTORY PRAYER (*Unison, Projected*)

Generous and loving God, we come today with these gifts as a sign of our love poured out for you. May we be reminded that these gifts, along with our gifts of time and abilities, help to show your steadfast love to the world outside these walls. Amen.

CALL TO PRAYER: *Where Two or Three Are Gathered (Projected)*

MV#14

PASTORAL PRAYERS & PRAYER OF JESUS

Open Hearts to Each Other and the World

‡COMMISSIONING and BENEDICTION: (*Unison, Projected*)

‡HYMN: *Sanna, Sannanina (Projected)*

VU#128

POSTLUDE

Participating in worship leadership today: Rev. Tracy, Rev. Bob, Kari Orosz, The Adult Choir, Elaine Taylor-Kerr, Don Mills, Marilyn Barry, Jake Highfield, Lynn & Nick Tait, Nancy Rehder, Nicole Major, Eldean O'Hearn, Andrew Taylor-Kerr, Lynn McCrea, Kristin Raugust.