



PALM SUNDAY

THEY TOOK PALM BRANCHES
AND WENT OUT TO MEET HIM,
SHOUTING, "HOSANNA!"

JOHN 12:13 (NIV)



Welcome to Shiloh United Church of Christ
Palm Sunday & Confirmation
April 13th, 2025 @ 10:00AM

MEDITATION

"Palm Sunday is like a glimpse of Easter.

It's a little bit joyful after being somber during Lent." ~Laura Gale

PRELUDE

"Hosanna! Hosanna!"

Koury

WELCOME AND CONCERNS

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Please stand as you are able!)*

One: This is the day that the Lord has made!

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

One: Open wide the gates of your hearts.

All: Let the Savior enter!

One: Let all creation shout!

All: Let us wave the palm branches high. Jesus is coming!

One: Shout with joy, all you people.

All: The Savior has come forth bringing peace. Hosanna!

God saves! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

One: Let us pray!

All: Hosanna! Blessed is Jesus who comes in God's Name! We stand at the gates of our Jerusalem and wave our branches high. We get caught up in the excitement of the parade. Jesus sits astride a donkey, a beast of burden, bearing a most precious gift. Let joy fill our hearts this day as we shout our Hosannas. Let us praise God for the wondrous ways in which our lives have been changed. Holy God, prepare our hearts to worship and celebrate this happy day! In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***HYMN**

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Written by Thom Shuman: [Lectionary Liturgies blog](#))

One: We sing, we wave our branches, we shout 'Hosanna.'

Then, we turn away, to go back to our old ways,

our old lives, our old sins. But God is in the business of granting forgiveness and filling us with new life.

Let us confess to the One who comes to fill us with grace:

All: Hosanna, Steadfast God, save us! Help us to let our fears, our worries, and our doubts slip from our lives, to fall at your feet, so we may stand with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who comes in your name, in your glory, in your grace to save us. In His name we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: Tell the daughters of despair,
proclaim it to the sons of sadness:

All: Christ has come to save us! Hosanna!

**We will give our thanks to God,
who comes to bring us grace, hope, life.
Hosanna in the highest. Amen!**

EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF CHRIST *(Please wave to one another)*

One: Let us greet each other in Christian Friendship.
The peace of God be with you.

All: And also, with you.

CHILDREN’S STORY

(All children of God who desire to come forward for the Children’s Sermon are welcome. Parents/ caregivers are encouraged to accompany their young child during the message.)

***HYMN**

“Hosanna”

Insert

CONFIRMATION: AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Kendall Tredway and Dalton McDaniel

(See insert)

WITNESS TO OUR SACRED STORY

First Reading: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Second Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

Handbell Choir

“All Glory Laud and Honor”..... Arr. Krug

Third Lesson: Luke 19:28-40

SERMON:

“The Rejected King!”

Pastor Melinda

PASTORAL PRAYER

SILENT PRAYER

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and glory forever. Amen.

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS BEFORE GOD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Today, we are each invited to welcome Jesus. Some will offer their voices. Some will offer their possessions. Some will offer their presence. All are important and valid. Thank you for what you give in this time of offering. Now, let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE: "A Lenten Doxology"**

**Praise God through- out 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**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

One: Let us pray!

All: God of all true power and glory, we thank you that Jesus Christ came to Jerusalem not with a sword to challenge the power of this world, but with love, announcing the good news of your kingdom. Enable us to choose your ways, winning the victory over sin and death. Establish your righteous realm among us. Use our gifts and our lives to your glory, through Jesus, who comes in your name. Amen.

***HYMN**

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

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***BENEDICTION**

One: Go into the world in peace.
Jesus Christ is victorious over all the powers of this earth.
You are free to live with courage,
trusting in God, your strength,
and the Holy Spirit your comfort.
Amen.

POSTLUDE

“Palm Sunday Procession”

Powell

**WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU JOINED US FOR
WORSHIP TODAY! PLEASE COME AGAIN!**



PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

Morning Prayer (“Peace Prayer” of Saint Francis)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Evening Prayer (Serenity Prayer by Reinhold Neibuhr)

God, grant me the Serenity, To accept the things I cannot change...
Courage to change the things I can,
And Wisdom to know the difference.
Living one day at a time, Enjoying one moment at a time,
Accepting hardship as the pathway to peace.
Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is,
Not as I would have it. Trusting that He will make all things right
if I surrender to His will. That I may be reasonably happy in this life,
And supremely happy with Him forever in the next. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Sandy Baboian, Julene Bechtel, Jim Sr. and Rosemary Bentzel, Rosabel Bentzel, Helen Byers, Judy Feeser, Dick & Helen Hodgson, Brad Jacobs, Joe Jordan, Bev Kirk, Donna Krone, Elaine Krout, Dottie Limbert, Catherine Lochman, Arlene Myers, Charlotte Rohrbaugh, Cedric Simpson, Steve Snyder, Rick & Sue Trimble, Romaine Walton, Elva Winter, Susan Emmons, Jane Harrison



THOSE WHO GRIEVE FOR THEIR LOVED ONES

The Smith Family, The Taft Family, The Robertson/Jordan Family,
Suzanne Kozuch Family

THE ALTAR FLOWERS Presented in loving memory of Parke W. Bentzel by the family

VIDEO TEAM: Lew Wallace, Sallie Hagerman, Dani Bentzel, Matt Hildebrecht,

LITURGIST: Natalie Fuhrman

GREETERS: Pat & Nelson Roth

USHER: Lin Heckert

NURSERY: Carol Burns & Jessie Sechriest

COFFEE CONNECTIONS: Linda Little

**WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS AND
MUSICIANS THAT CONTRIBUTED TO THE WORSHIP SERVICE!**

Hosanna 296

Hosanna to the Son of David! Hosanna in the highest! Matthew 21:9

Unison

1. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high -
 2. Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry to the King of

est!
 kings! Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho -
 ry, glo - ry, glo - ry,

san - na in the high - est!
 glo - ry to the King of kings! Lord, we lift up Your

name, With hearts full of praise; Be ex -

alt - ed, O Lord my God! Ho - san - na in the high - est!
 Glo - ry to the King of kings!

EXT: Carl Tuttle
MUSIC: Carl Tuttle

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HOSANNA
Irregular meter

*“No matter who you are, or where you are on life’s journey,
you are welcome here at Shiloh UCC, where God is still speaking.”*

THIS WEEK

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| SUN | 10:00 | Worship |
| | 9:00 | Sunday School (202) & Wired Word (124) |
| | 9:15 | Coffee Connections (gallery) |
| MON | 6:00 | Gospel Choir (100) |
| TUES | 6:30 | Cub Scouts (100) |
| | 7:00 | Quilt Club(202) |
| WED | 7:30 | Soup Prep |
| | 9:30 | Bible Study (202) |
| | 5:00 | TOPS (202) |
| THUR | 10:30 | Our Daily Bread |
| | 6:30 | NA Group (100) |
| | 6:30 | Choirs |
| | 7:00 | Maundy Thurs Service |
| FRI | 12:00 | Good Friday Service |
| SUN | 10:00 | Worship/Easter Sunday |

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 82

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