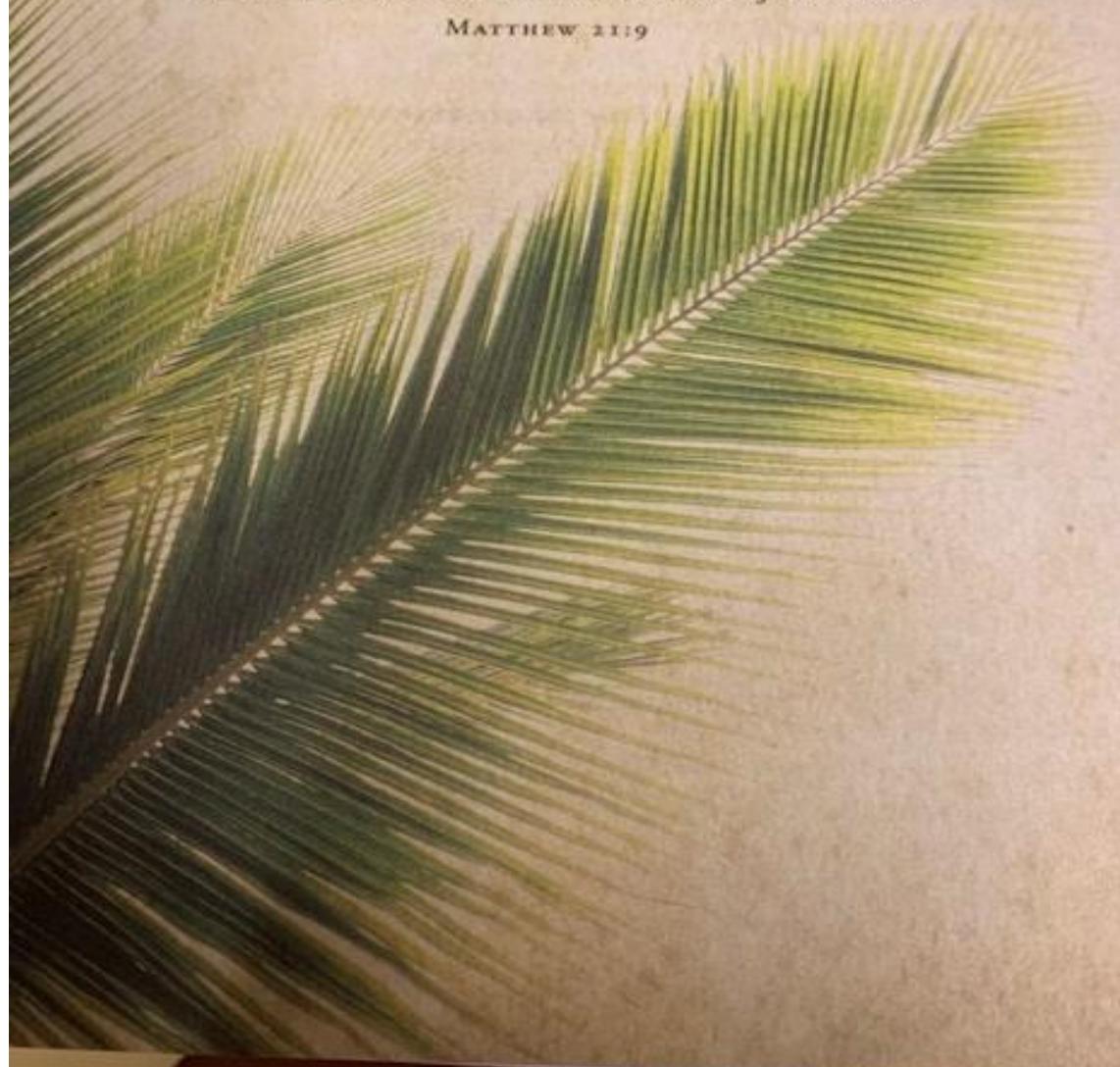


# Palm SUNDAY

*Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.*

MATTHEW 21:9



**You are always WELCOME at Zion. May God bless your time with us!**

Please fill out visitor card (by bulletin table) for mailing list or to request information.

If you are baptized, believe Christ is miraculously present in Holy Communion, and believe this meal offers forgiveness and nourishment for daily lives of faith, you are invited to join in this joyful meal of the Church! Red grape juice is available for those allergic to alcohol.

Liturgy (page numbers) in front of hymnals, hymns (#'s) are in back of hymnal.

Children are welcome in worship!!! If parents need to step out during worship, feel free to utilize the Gathering Space behind the sanctuary.

Restrooms are in the main hallway. Baby changing tables available.

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## The Sunday of the Passion

April 2, 2023

Prelude: "Morgenmusik"

Arr. Paul Hindemith

Entry Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

*Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup> saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." <sup>4</sup> This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, <sup>5</sup> "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'" <sup>6</sup> The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. <sup>7</sup> They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup> Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup> And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" <sup>10</sup> And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" <sup>11</sup> And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."*

**Hymn #108 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"**

[Please stand and face the processional cross]

L: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**R: Hosanna to the Son of David.**

L: Let us pray...Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**R: Amen. Hosanna to the Savior King!**

**Philippians 2:5-11** *Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

**Hymn #121 “Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!” (tune: Winchester New)**

**Prayer of the Church**

**Words of Institution (32.) / Lord’s Prayer**

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*(for those who are allergic to wine, grape juice is in the red cups)*

**During Communion: “Quintet No.2, Movement 3”**

**Victor Ewald**

**Meditation: Palms and Passion**

**Hymn #116 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded** (verses 1-2)

**Matthew 27:11-54** [A preview of a holy week of passion]

*<sup>11</sup> Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” Jesus said, “You have said so.” <sup>12</sup> But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he gave no answer. <sup>13</sup> Then Pilate said to him, “Do you not hear how many things they testify against you?” <sup>14</sup> But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed. <sup>15</sup> Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the crowd any one prisoner whom they wanted. <sup>16</sup> And they had then a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. <sup>17</sup> So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, “Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?” <sup>18</sup> For he knew that it was out of envy that they had delivered him up. <sup>19</sup> Besides, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, “Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much because of him today in a dream.” <sup>20</sup> Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. <sup>21</sup> The governor again said to them, “Which of the two do you want me to release for you?” And they said, “Barabbas.” <sup>22</sup> Pilate said to them, “Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?” They all said, “Let him be crucified!” <sup>23</sup> And he said, “Why? What evil has he done?” But they shouted all the more, “Let him be crucified!” <sup>24</sup> So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, “I am innocent of this man’s blood; see to it yourselves.” <sup>25</sup> And all the people answered, “His blood be on us and on our children!” <sup>26</sup> Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified. <sup>27</sup> Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor’s headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. <sup>28</sup> And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, <sup>29</sup> and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” <sup>30</sup> And they spit on him*

and took the reed and struck him on the head. <sup>31</sup> And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him. <sup>32</sup> As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross. <sup>33</sup> And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), <sup>34</sup> they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. <sup>35</sup> And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. <sup>36</sup> Then they sat down and kept watch over him there. <sup>37</sup> And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." <sup>38</sup> Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. <sup>39</sup> And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads <sup>40</sup> and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." <sup>41</sup> So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, <sup>42</sup> "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him." <sup>43</sup> He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'" <sup>44</sup> And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way. <sup>45</sup> Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. <sup>46</sup> And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" <sup>47</sup> And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, "This man is calling Elijah." <sup>48</sup> And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink. <sup>49</sup> But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." <sup>50</sup> And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit. <sup>51</sup> And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split. <sup>52</sup> The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised, <sup>53</sup> and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many. <sup>54</sup> When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

## **Hymn #546 When Morning Gilds the Skies**

### **Prayer / Benediction**

### **Postlude: "Scherzo"**

**(Please remain seated until Postlude is finished)**

**John Cheetam**

Sermon . . . . . Pastor Tim Seeber  
 Liturgy . . . . . 8am Pastor Brelje / 1030 Pastor Couch  
 Musician . . . . . Rebecca McLaren Craft  
 Guest Musicians - JACRR Brass Quintet. . .Mason Christofferson-Trumpet, Jordan  
 DeWester-Tuba, Ryan Egeler-Trumpet, Destiny Miskel-Trombone, Elizabeth Sweet-  
 Breu-French Horn  
 Cantor. . . . . (8) Karen Stokes Chapo  
 Communion Assistants . . . . . (8) Jim Mayer (10:30) Steve Nuyen  
 Ushers. . . . . (8) Walter Kohnke, Alan Sarver (10:30) Ken Lundquist, Dave Borak  
 Altar Ministry. . . . .(8)Lynne Gerfen TBD (10:30) Dee Wentzel, Lynne Gerfen  
 Acolytes . . . . . (8)James Mayer, Nikko Quezada (10:30) Eli Frazier, Grayson Field  
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**Coming Events: Tuesday, 4/4 P.** Brelje Bible Study 10:00a,

**Wednesday, 4/5** Dinner 5:15p, **Maundy Thursday, 4/6** Noon & 6:30 Worship

**Good Friday, 4/7 Noon – 3p Tre Ore, 6:30 Worship Vigil – Saturday, 4/8 6:30p.**  
**(Note service is 1 hour later than normal Saturday service.)**

**Symbol in the Window:** Palm Sunday leads to the betrayal of Jesus. On the New  
 Testament side at the very top, you will see Judas leaving the table with a hangman's  
 noose over his head.