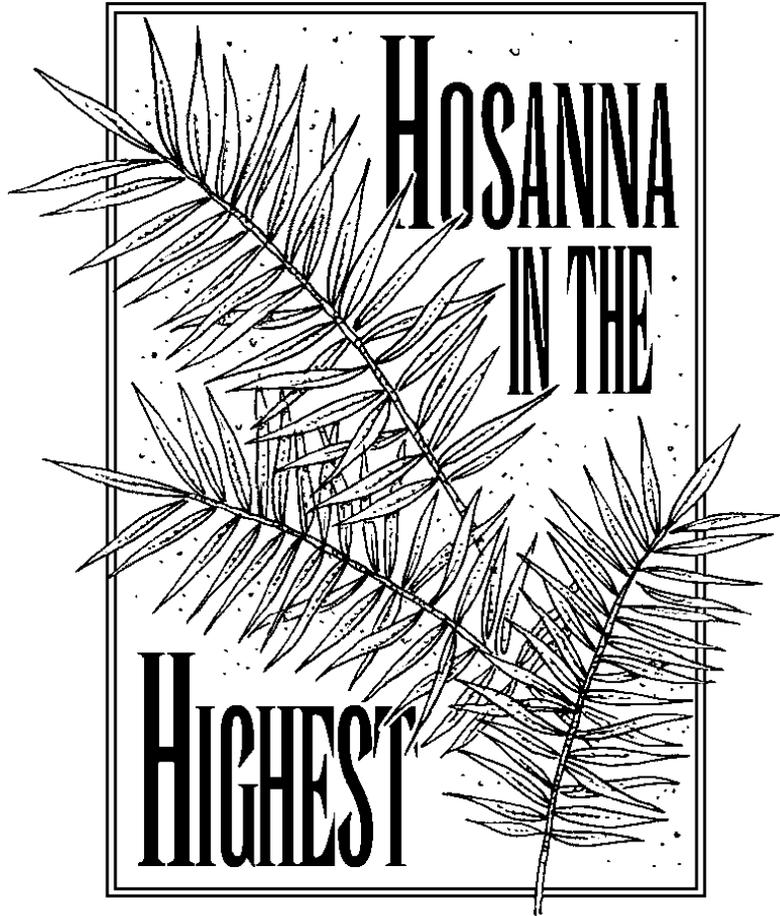


NEW HEMPSTEAD
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Dr. Lori Knight-Whitehouse
Pastor

Lois Anderson
Music Director

PALM SUNDAY

April 14, 2019

*All who are able are invited to stand.

TIME OF SILENT MEDITATION

10:55-11 AM

PRELUDE *“Lift High the Cross/ All Glory, Laud and Honor”*

arr. C. Berry

GREETING

Lay Leader

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *“Cast thy Burden upon the Lord”*

Mendelssohn

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)**

Lay Leader

They brought the colt of a donkey to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt,
They set Jesus on it.

As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road.

As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, all the disciples
began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all for multitude of the deeds of power
that they had seen, saying,

“Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!”

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, order your disciples to stop.”

He answer them:

“I tell you, if these are silent, the stones would shout out.”

***OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)**

**Gracious God, as we enter this Holy Week, strengthen us to move beyond the
festive parade of palms and follow Jesus into the way of the cross, that united with
him and all the faithful, we may one day enter through the gates of righteousness
into the eternal city, the new Jerusalem, where we may praise you with Christ and
the Holy Spirit forever. Amen.**

***OPENING HYMN**

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

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***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Let us confess our sin to our God, trusting that God’s steadfast love endures forever.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)**

**God of heaven and earth, we give you thanks for sending us Jesus Christ in your
name. Even though we profess to follow him, we confess that in times of trial we
too often deny him. Forgive us and heal us, we pray. Help us to put our faith not in
the princes of this world, but only in the Prince of Peace. In Jesus’ name we pray.
Amen.**

***MOMENT FOR SILENT CONFESSION**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Responsively)**

It is the Lord who helps us; who will declare us guilty? Because of the grace we received in baptism, we have nothing to fear. Forgiven and freed, let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** *“Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God”*

*Create in me a clean heart, O God, Create in me a clean heart, O God,
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.*

Please be seated following the Sung Response

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (In Unison)

Lay Leader

Eternal God, quiet within us all mortal voices, that through the story of the passion and by the power of your Holy Spirit, we may have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

FIRST READING **Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (pgs. 531 -532)**

Lay Leader

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

“Ain't No Rock Gonna' Shout for Me”

Lloyd Larson

A MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Dr. Knight-Whitehouse

SECOND READING **Luke 19: 28-40 (pg. 913)**

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON **“The Road Leads Through the Cross.”**

Dr. Knight-Whitehouse

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (In Unison)** **The Nicene Creed (Ecumenical) p. 15**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Minister: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

***HYMN**

“Come, Risen Lord”

#503

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Pam Fink

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

God has given us his only Child, Jesus Christ, as the way of our salvation. Let us give generously, as God has given to us.

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Lift Thine Eyes”

Felix Mendelssohn

Sue Rentz: soprano, Barbara Zacheis: mezzo-soprano and Jane Craig Sebok: alto

PRAYER CARDS Please fill out and place your Prayer Card in the offering plate

***DOXOLOGY**

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***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (In Unison)**

Holy One, we give you thanks for the great deeds of our salvation that you have done and continue to do. Bless these offerings of thanksgiving that they may further your kingdom in this world; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

(using “sins” and “those who sin against us”)

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, you created the heavens and the earth, sea and dry ground, creeping things and flying birds, mountains and plains, desert sands and forest canopies. All around us, the beauty of your handiwork is evident. We praise you for such wonder! In love and freedom, you gave us your blessing to eat from every plant and from the fruit of the trees. In return for your generosity and abundance, we grasped for more than you gave us, separating ourselves from you through sin.

Yet even when we were unfaithful, you remained faithful to us. You continued to give us the gift of your creation. When we were bound as slaves, you gave us freedom by opening a pathway through the sea. When we complained in the desert, you gave us water to drink and manna to eat. When we wandered from your ways, you sent prophets to call us back and give us hope. As Isaiah promised, we went out in joy and were led back in peace. It seemed to us that the mountains and hills burst into song, and the trees of the field clapped their hands in praise of your power and faithfulness.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your Son to save us. Jesus preached and healed; he taught and challenged us; he loved and encouraged us. Yet our songs of praise became shouts of death. Palm branches lifted high in honor were left in the dust. At the cross, when we had turned away, he offered forgiveness and eternal life. We thank you for such wondrous love as this.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine. As Christ broke bread in that upper room and shared the cup with his disciples, so may this meal be our communion in the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit, unite us with him and all who are baptized in his name, so that we may offer our own Hosanna to the one who has come and is coming again. Strengthen us in the days of the holy week before us, and for all the days to our life's end, to recognize this one who comes humbly and to follow him.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, crucified, risen, and coming again. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Today we will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion by Intinction whereby the bread is dipped into the cup, and the two elements are taken together.

All who trust Jesus as the Christ are welcome to come to this Table, regardless of church membership or affiliation.

***CLOSING HYMN**

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

#89

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

"Let Us Return to the Lord"

Marty Haugen

***POSTLUDE**

"Were You There?"

Spiritual

Holy Week schedule:

Maundy Thursday Thursday, April 18

Worship at 8 PM in the Sanctuary

The institution of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated

Good Friday Friday, April 19

Worship at 7:30 PM at Germonds Presbyterian Church

Easter Sunday Sunday, April 21

Sunrise service at 8 AM in Murchison Hall Pancake breakfast to follow

Worship at 11 in the Sanctuary



After the 11 AM worship service on Easter Sunday we will have our annual Egg Hunt for the children.