

GATHERING

The congregation assembles in the narthex to begin worship.

Prelude

Welcome

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: LUKE 19:28-40

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 19th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁸After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying,

"Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven!"

³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

Opening Litany

Congregational response is: "Hosanna! Save us!"

PROCESSION

Musicians lead the congregation in a refrain once, then the congregation is invited to join. After singing through the refrain twice, the congregation is led through the sanctuary, out the side door, around the parking lot and back into the sanctuary.

Ho-sann-a, ho-sann-a in the highest Ho-sanna-a, ho-sann-a, in the highest

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PSALM: PSALM 118:1-4, 15-29

¹O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! ²Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." ³Let the house of Aaron say, "His steadfast love endures forever." ⁴Let those who fear the Lord say, "His steadfast love endures forever." ¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation. ¹⁵There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly; ¹⁶the right hand of the LORD is exalted; the right hand of the LORD does valiantly." ¹⁷I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD. ¹⁸The LORD has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death. ¹⁹Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them

and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. ²¹I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. ²²The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. ²³This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. ²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. ²⁵Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success! ²⁶Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless you from the house of the LORD. ²⁷The LORD is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. ²⁸You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. ²⁹O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

READING: PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Hymn

ALL GLORY, LAUD AND HONOR

ELW 344 (vs. 1-4)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Response to "Lord in your mercy" is "hear our prayer." If you would like to add a prayer petition, email it to Pastor Aleese at <u>pastor@shepherdofthecross.org</u>

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always! And also with you!

Congregation is invited to share a sign of peace with others. Pull out your cell phones and send a text and/or a picture to someone, sharing the peace of Christ with them as well!

- Meal ———

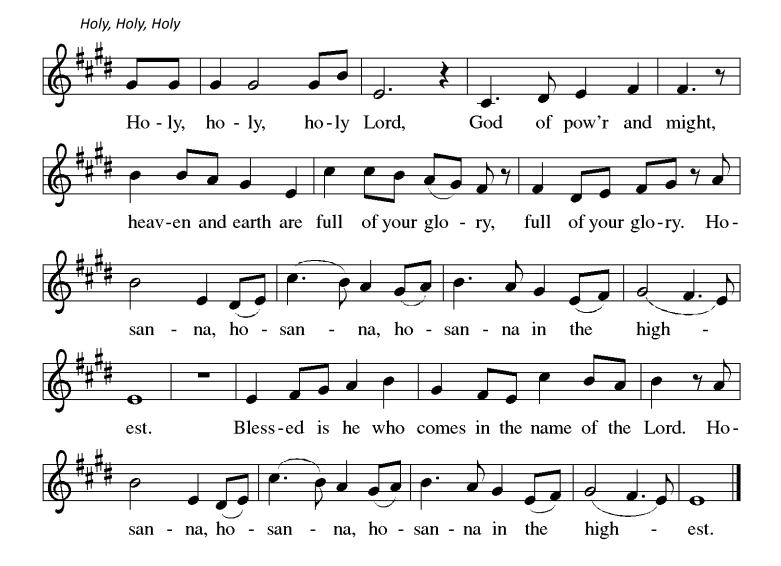
Offering

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Dialogue The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Preface



Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

SHARING GOD'S MEAL TOGETHER

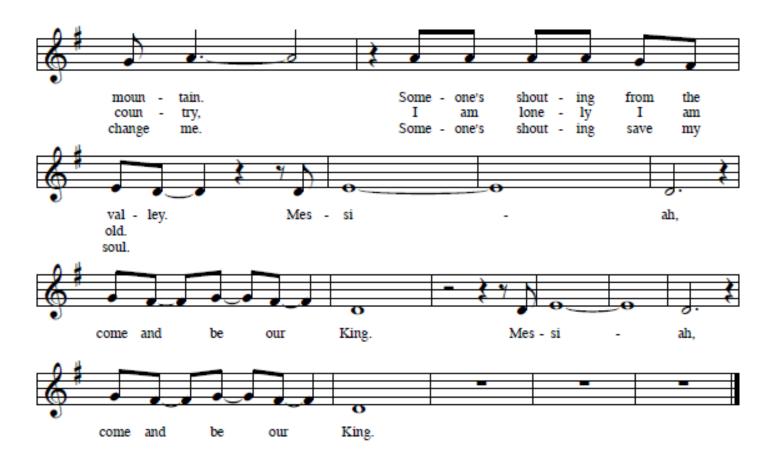
Together we receive God's gift of love given to us in the sacrament of communion. All are welcome at the table, where Christ is our host.

Following the directions of the ushers, the congregation will be invited forward in groups. Each group will stand before the altar to receive the bread and wine/juice. After receiving both bread and wine,

remain with your group until Pastor Aleese offers a short blessing, dismissing each group to return to their seats. Those not desiring to receive communion may come forward for a blessing.

COMMUNION SONG





PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Sending

Blessing

As you leave this place,

may you be awestruck by the beauty of this world.

May you laugh, and may it be contagious.

May you overflow with love for those around you.

May you hope without restraint.

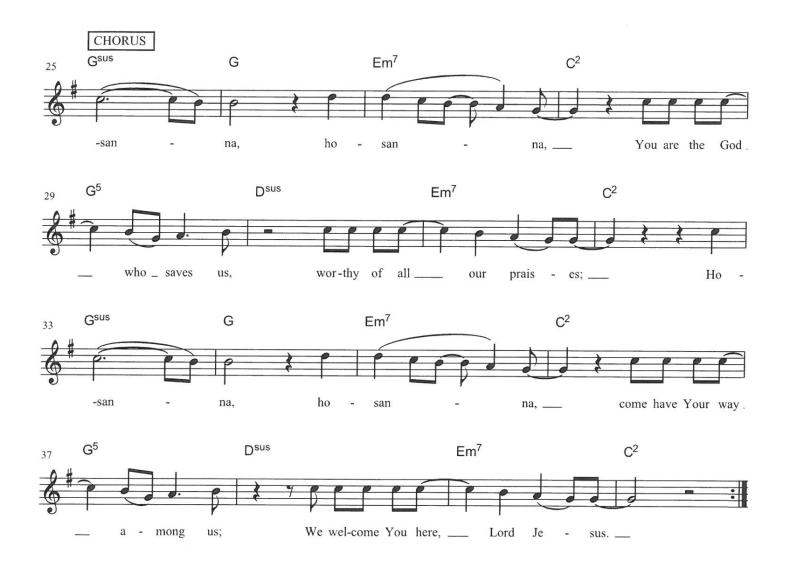
May you recognize joy, even amidst the mire.

And may you find yourself filled to the brim with God's gift of grace,

implanted within you to ever-transform you according to God's image.

In the name of our Triune God, the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, go in peace, full to the brim. Amen. Hosanna





ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you. Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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