

Welcome to Holy Week. This morning we begin worship with the celebration of Palm Sunday and Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Together we shout the word the crowd shouted that day: "Hosanna!" (from the Hebrew "Save us!")

We experience that saving love of Jesus as we hear and participate in the Passion from the Gospel of Mark and as we receive Holy Communion.

During worship today we are reminded that people responded to Jesus with wonder and acceptance, but also with anger and violence. Jesus responds with love for all, even for those who crucify him. Holy Week continues with livestream worship on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, 7 p.m., and we invite you to join in the journey.

Prelude

"Valet will ich der geben," BWV 735 –J.S. Bach Daniel Romero, organ

Welcome

Introit

"Hosanna to the Son of David" –Arthur Hutchings AVE

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. **Hosanna in the highest.**

Processional Gospel Mark 11:1–11

The holy gospel according to Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" ⁴They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹¹Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Blessing of Palms

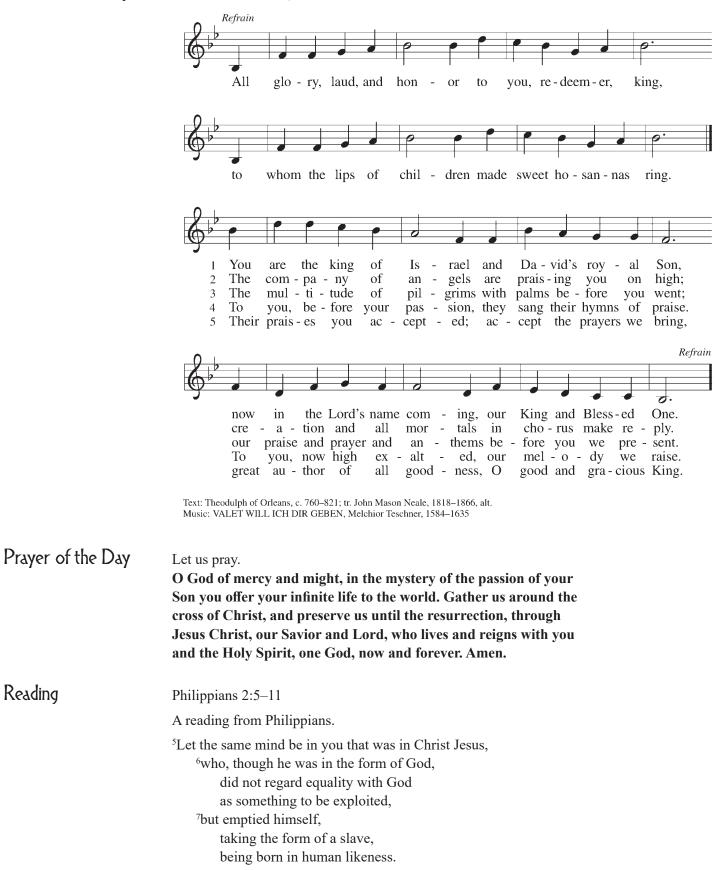
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. **Hosanna in the highest.**

Processional Song

ELW 344: All Glory, Laud, and Honor



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.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31:9–16

The refrain will be sung first by the cantor, then by the assembly, and again by the assembly after the verses as indicated.

Refrain:



Psalm 31:15

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⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I | am in trouble;

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat | and my belly.

¹⁰For my life is wasted with grief, and my | years with sighing;

my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones | are consumed.

¹¹I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors,

a dismay to | my acquaintances;

when they see me in the street | they avoid me.

¹²Like the dead I am forgotten, | out of mind;

I am as useless as a | broken pot. *Refrain*

¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is | all around;

they put their heads together against me; they plot to | take my life.

¹⁴But as for me, I have trusted in | you, O LORD.

I have said, "You | are my God.

¹⁵My times are | in your hand;

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who | persecute me.

¹⁶Let your face shine up- | on your servant;

save me in your | steadfast love." Refrain

Gospel

The Passion of Our Lord According to Mark

Today the assembly will hear and experience Jesus' Passion through this reading from Mark's Gospel.

Hymn of the Day LBW 94: My Song is Love Unknown My song is love known, Sav - ior's love un my to me, 2 He came from his blest throne, sal va - tion to be stow; sweet prais - es 3 Some-times they strew his way and his sing; done? 4 Why, what hath my Lord What makes this rage and spite? 0 love to the love - less shown, that they might love - ly be. but men made strange, and the longed-for Christ would know. none day their King. re sound-ing all the ho - san - nas to made the lame run, he gave the blind their sight. He to Oh. Lord should take frail who am I. that for my sake mv oh, my friend, my But. friend in deed. who mv need his at Then "Cru - ci - fy!" all their breath, and for his death they is Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these them - selves dis - please, and frail flesh and die? My Lord should take flesh and die? life did spend; who need his life did spend! at my and thirst and cry, and for his death they thirst cry. 'gainst him them - selves dis - please, and rise; 'gainst him rise. 7 Here might I stay and sing no story so divine! Never was love, dear King, never was grief like thine. This is my friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend! Text: Samuel Crossman, c. 1624-1683 Music: RHOSYMEDRE, John D. Edwards, 1806-1885

Prayers of Intercession

Peace

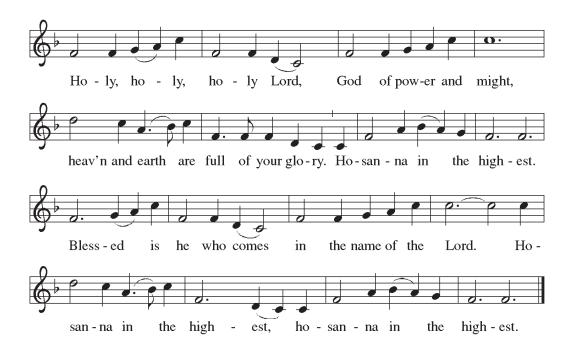
After each petition: Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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

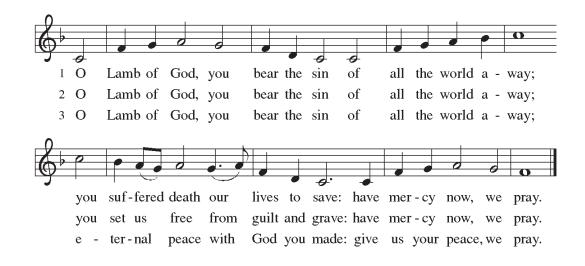
Offertory Anthem	"Christus Factus Est" –Anton Bruckner AVE
	Christ became obedient, even to death on a cross. Therefore, God highly exalted him, and gave him a name that is above every name.
Offering Prayer	Faithful God, you walk beside us in desert places, and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven. Accompany us in this meal, that we may pass over from death to life with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
Great Thanksgiving	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 our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer	O God triune, how majestic is your name in all the earth. Over the eons your merciful might evolved our home, a fragile tree of life. Here by your wisdom are both life and death, growth and decay, the nest and the hunt, sunshine and storm, darkness and light.
	O God triune, you took on our flesh in Jesus our healer. In Christ you bring life from death; we remember his cross, we laud his resurrection.
	Broken like bread, he enlivens our body. Outpoured like wine, he fills the earth with goodness.
	We praise you for the heart of Jesus, so filled with your love for this earth.
	In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.
	Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.
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 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 ever. Amen.
Holy Communion	We are connected by the Holy Spirit to God and to each other across time and place through our baptisms. In this same Spirit, we share bread and wine with confidence in Christ's real presence with us in the sacrament of Holy Communion. You may use bread or crackers and wine or juice from your home. We invite you to share this bread of life and cup of blessing as we all are one even though we gather separately for now.



"O Sacred Head" –Nancy A. Norman Augustana Ringers

Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion		
	God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.	
Blessing	You are what God made you to be: created in the light of Christ, chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve and love your neighbor. God bless you in the name of the ≇ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.	
Dismissal	Go in peace. Share the good news. Thanks be to God.	

Welcome!

- Sermons are available from Augustana's website, www.augustanadenver.org, and click on Online Worship/Devotions.
- Secure online gifts may be made through the <u>Giving</u> page at Augustana's website, www.augustanadenver. org. You can also text message your offering to 303-653-9592.

Mission Statement

Celebrating God's grace, we welcome everyone to worship Jesus, grow in faith, and go serve in the world.

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Sunday Worship

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Online Bible Studies with Pastors

Join Augustana's pastors for a deeper dive into the worship readings for that Sunday as we grow in faith together, Sundays, 9–10 a.m. <u>Sign up here</u> to access the Zoom link through our weekly email, the Augustana ePistle.

Faith Formation for Children and Youth

Weekly Faith Formation videos for children age 4 through 4th grade are available each Sunday through <u>Augustana's</u> website (www.augustanadenver.org).

Contact **Shanna VanderWel** (<u>shanna@augustanadenver.</u> <u>org</u>) for Zoom links and information about online studies for youth in grades 5–12.

Online Coffee Hour

Join us for coffee and conversation via Zoom, Sundays, 10–10:30 a.m. <u>Sign up here</u> to access the Zoom link through our weekly email, the Augustana ePistle.

We Are One @ 1:00

Online devotions, "We Are One @ 1:00," is offered at 1 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday on Augustana's Facebook page, or watch them later at your convenience (www.facebook.com/augustanadenver/ or www. augustanadenver.org).

Listen to Dial-a-Care!

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