+ DIVINE SERVICE +

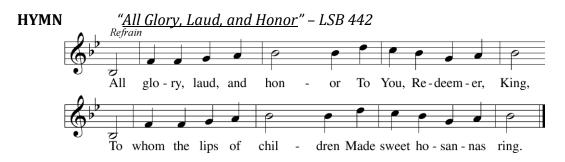
THE HOLY GOSPEL: MARK 11:1-10

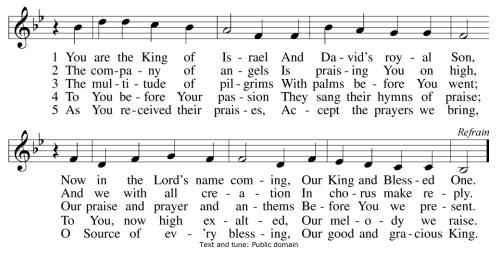
When they approached Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples ² and told them, "Go into the village ahead of you. As soon as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. ³ If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here right away.'"

⁴So they went and found a colt outside in the street, tied by a door. They untied it, ⁵and some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" ⁶They answered them just as Jesus had said; so they let them go.

⁷ They brought the colt to Jesus and threw their clothes on it, and he sat on it. ⁸ Many people spread their clothes on the road, and others spread leafy branches cut from the fields. ⁹ Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted:

Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰ Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest heaven! (CSB)





CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross + *may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. [Matt.28:19b]

People: Amen.

- Pastor: The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. [*Psalm 103:8*]
- People: He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. [Psalm 103:10]

(Silence is kept to reflect on God's holiness and His grace.)

Pastor: Almighty God,

People: hear our confession and grant us Your mercy and forgiveness. We admit that we have not completely trusted in Your promised protection but have looked elsewhere for help and refuge. We praise You, Father, for You alone have provided the remedy for that which truly causes our separation and troubles. For the sake of Christ, Your Son, our Redeemer, grant us forgiveness. Lead us by the power of Your Spirit so that we may delight in Your will

and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. We ask it in the name of Jesus. Amen. God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith. Pastor: **People:** Amen. Pastor: Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness but God's? **People:** Yes. Pastor: Let it be done for you as you believe. Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to each of you and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **People:** Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM "<u>Prepare the Way</u>"

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

NEW TESTAMENT: PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

Adopt the same attitude as that of Christ Jesus,

⁶ who, existing in the form of God, did not consider equality with God as something to be exploited. ⁷ Instead he emptied himself by assuming the form of a servant, taking on the likeness of humanity. And when he had come as a man, ⁸ he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death even to death on a cross. ⁹ For this reason God highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus
every knee will bow—
in heaven and on earth
and under the earth—
¹¹ and every tongue will confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father. (CSB)

PSALM 118:19-24, 28-29

Open the gates of righteousness for me; I will enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. ²⁰ This is the LORD's gate; the righteous will enter through it. ²¹ I will give thanks to you because you have answered me and have become my salvation. ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. ²³ This came from the LORD; it is wondrous in our sight. ²⁴ This is the day the LORD has made; let's rejoice and be glad in it. ²⁸ You are my God, and I will give you thanks. You are my God; I will exalt you. ²⁹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his faithful love endures forever. (CSB)

"Come and See" - WORSHIP & PRAISE SONGBOOK - 29



MATTHEW 26:17-29

On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Where do you want us to make preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

¹⁸ "Go into the city to a certain man," he said, "and tell him, 'The Teacher says: My time is near; I am celebrating the Passover at your place with my disciples." ¹⁹So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them and prepared the Passover. ²⁰ When evening came, he was reclining at the table with the Twelve. ²¹ While they were eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me."

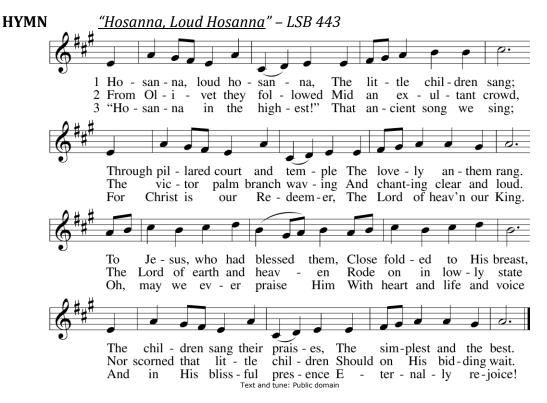
²² Deeply distressed, each one began to say to him, "Surely not I, Lord?"

²³ He replied, "The one who dipped his hand with me in the bowl—he will betray me. ²⁴ The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for him if he had not been born."

²⁵ Judas, his betrayer, replied, "Surely not I, Rabbi?"

"You have said it," he told him.

²⁶ As they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take and eat it; this is my body." ²⁷ Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks, he gave it to them and said, "Drink from it, all of you. ²⁸ For this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹ But I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." (*CSB*)



THE MESSAGE

Galatians 2:20: "The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." (*CSB*)

THE RITE OF FIRST COMMUNION PRIOR TO CONFIRMATION

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This life therefore is not righteousness, but growth in righteousness, not health, but healing, not being but becoming. We are not yet what we shall be, but we are growing toward it, the process is not yet finished, but it is going on, this is not the end, but it is the road. All does not yet gleam in glory, but all is being purified. – Martin Luther

PRAYER FOR OUR YOUTH

Pastor: Heavenly Father, bless, guide, and govern the children and young people of Your Church, that they may grow in grace and in the knowledge of Your Word. Grant that they may serve You well and

usefully, developing their talents to Your glory and for the welfare of their neighbor. Protect and defend them from all danger and harm, giving Your holy angels charge over them; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

After the rite concludes and as the catechumens return to their seat, please rise for prayer.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

O God, hear the prayers and petitions of Your people. We do not make requests of You because we are righteous, but because of Your great mercy (Daniel 9:18).

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord God, Your Son humbled Himself to the point of death, even death on a cross. Fix our faith upon His death for our salvation, enrich the proclamation of the Gospel, and enliven our hearts to live out this faith until Christ comes again in glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

- Pastore: Uphold this world in Your order. Preserve the Church and the preaching of Your Word against all enemies. Bless our homes, that parents and children may serve one another faithfully and grow in instruction and faith. Give health and wisdom to all who serve in public office, that their authority may be exercised for the benefit of all people, and that they serve with humility. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
- Pastor: Heavenly Father, hear us in Jesus' name: Pour out Your peace upon Jerusalem; end the hatred that brings war among nations – in Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, and wherever evil in men's hearts causes the innocent to lose their lives. Protect children, infants, the weak, the infirm, the elderly and all who are caught in the midst of war. Cover all who suffer with Your grace andpeace. Grant Your divine protection to those serving in our armed forces; may You be their Shield and Defender in all circumstances. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

- Pastor: O Lord, our God, Your steadfast love in Christ is good. Turn in Your abundant mercy toward all who suffer in our midst... Deliver them and grant them healing, comfort and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,
 People: hear our praver.
- Pastor: Eternal Lord, as Your Son once entered humbly into Jerusalem to cries of "hosanna," so send Him to us according to His promise in the Holy Sacrament, that we may eat His body and drink His blood in repentance and faith for the forgiveness of our sins and in the unity of a true confession. Lord, in Your mercy,
- People: hear our prayer.
- Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! We praise You, Father, that You have sent Your Son not in wrath but in mercy. As we enter this most holy week and ponder together the mysteries of Your great salvation, show us the answer to Your people's prayers of "hosanna" in the Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
 People: Amen.

OFFERTORY "Be still, and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

The Offertory is a brief musical interlude in keeping with the theme of today's worship. You may choose to use this moment to consider how to support Zion's ministries and mission, either through the collection plates as you exit the church or electronically on our web site: zionhinsdale.org. Click "On-Line Giving" at the top of the home page. Your prayerful support along with your tithes and offerings help further Zion's ministries and are most appreciated.

PREFACE

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

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. (1 Corinthians 11:26)

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. (Revelation 22:20)

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 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.

PAX DOMINI = *The Peace of the Lord*

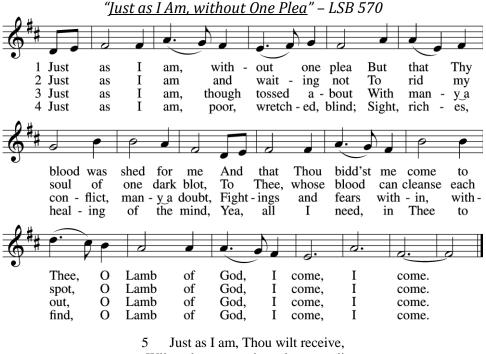
Pastor:The peace of the Lord be with you always.People:And with your spirit.

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Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

 Just as I am; Thy love unknown Has broken ev'ry barrier down; Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come. Text and tune: Public domain

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

- Pastor: The body and blood of the Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true faith to life everlasting. Depart with joy and with confidence + in His peace.
- People: Amen.

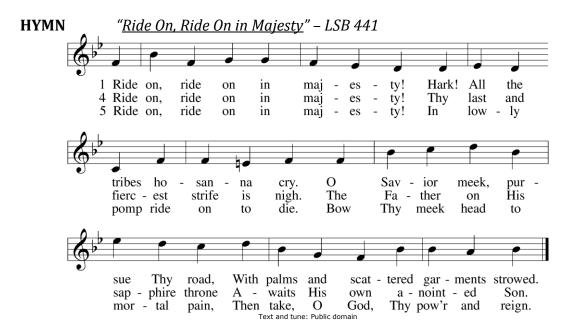
BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

Pastor:Let us bless the Lord. [Psalm 103:1]People:Thanks be to God!

Pastor:

The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The LORD look upon you with favor and give you + peace. [Numbers 6:24-26]



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POSTLUDE

Serving in Worship today: Pastor Klein Elder: Steve Swenson Altar Guild: Lois Berg, Suzanne McGivney Music Associates: Kyle Miller and Samantha Rose Minister of Music: Kathleen Rose