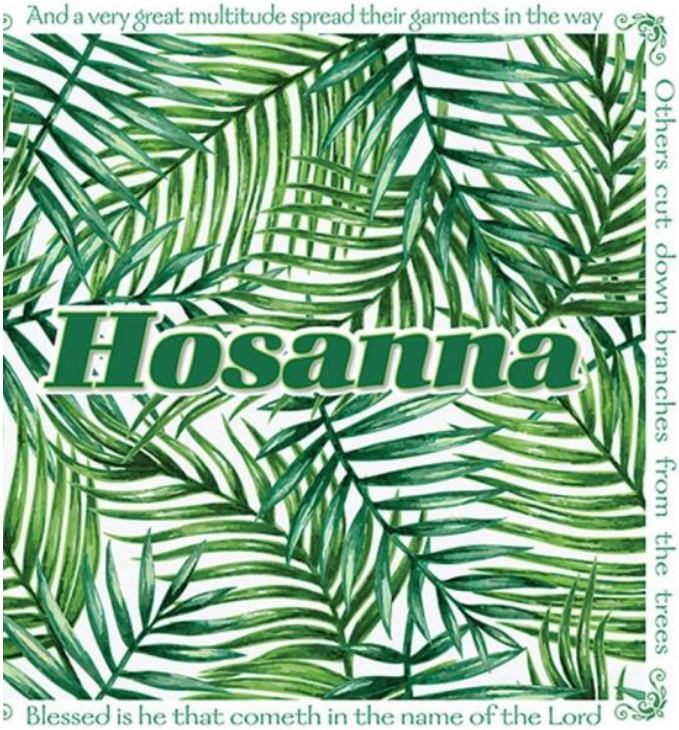
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Prelude

Welcome

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Lighting of the Altar Candles

*Introit "Great is the Lord" berry 30

*Call to Worship Art Holden, Liturgist

Leader: The people welcomed Jesus into their midst. Their hosannas rang out, they called upon him as a savior, a mighty king.
People: They hoped that the he would cast the oppressors out of their land and bring the nation glory and honor.
L: It was a special moment - a time of celebration, a time of anticipation, a time when people felt that they would receive a new life.
P: It was to offer this to us that Jesus came. But God's ways are not our ways, nor are his thoughts our thoughts.
L: Our worship today recognizes this fact and we rejoice in it.
P: Blessed be the one who comes in the name of the Lord. AMEN.

*Hymn “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” red 248

Opening Prayer

ALL: On this Sunday, O God, we remember how quickly we change. How fickle we are, how we pledge our devotion one moment and turn our backs the next. We go from shouting “Hosanna! Save Us!” to “Crucify Him.”

We declare that we love our neighbors and then we turn our backs on the homeless and hungry in our communities. We speak up for change and justice in one breath, and then continue unjust practices in daily lives by what we consume and the needs we ignore.

Forgive us, O God, for we are half-hearted believers. Forgive us, O God, for we are partial justice warriors. Forgive us, O God, for we tire easily and we forget, and we grow weary. Forgive us, restore us, and renew us for the journey of faith, so that we might become whole people who live wholly into Your vision of new life. In the name of Christ, who lived into the fullness of humanity, and whom we follow. Amen.

A Time for Personal Prayer and Confession

Words of Assurance

*Gloria Patri red 142

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.

LISTENING TO THE WORD

Lesson Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29

1 O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!
2 Let Israel say, “His steadfast love endures forever.”
19 Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.
20 This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.
21 I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
22 The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
23 This is the LORD’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
24 This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
25 Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

26 Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.
We bless you from the house of the LORD.
27 The LORD is God, and he has given us light.
Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.
28 You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God, I will extol you.
29 O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Centering Song "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" vs. 1 r239

Lesson Mark 11:1-11

11 When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples [2] and 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. [3] If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'"

[4] They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, [5] some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" [6] They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. [7] Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it.

[8] Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. [9] Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! [10] Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

[11] Then 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.

Sermon

At the end of the sermon, the pastor says: "And all God's people said:"
People: Amen!

*Hymn "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" vs 1,4,5 insert

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Invitation to Offering

*Doxology red 382

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

All: Loving God, as Hosannas fade to cries of despair,
may these gifts be used for peacemaking that settles strife
and justice-seeking that creates all good hope. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Prayers of the People
At the end of each intercessory prayer,
the pastor says: "Lord, in your mercy,"
and the **people** respond: **"hear our prayer."**

The Lord's Prayer ("debts/debtors")

*Hymn "All Glory, Laud and Honor" red 249

*Carrying Out the Light of Christ

*Benediction

*Three-Fold Amen (congregation)

*Postlude

** All who are able are invited to stand.*

Please lift up the following people in prayer:

Lauren	Jean
Sujanta	Robin and Bob
Lisa and Jerry	John and Karen
Diane Hatala	Rich
Jim Cotton	Scott Quigle
Elizabeth Kyer	Terri
Shorter Griffin	Billy
Leon Ricks	Jan
Nancy	Chris
Lynnea Postak	

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Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.

— Matthew 21:9

sed on Matthew 21:15, 16
nnette Threlfall
ff Redd, stanza 2

ELLACOMBE
Gesangbuch der Herzogl, Wirtemberg



239 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

Vs. 1

Give unto the Lord the glory due His name.

— I Chronicles 16:29

Based on Psalm 24:7
Georg Weissel
Tr. by Catherine Winkworth

TRURO
Psalmodia Evangelica



JESUS CHRIST

191 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

CORONATION



WORDS: Edward Perronet, 1780; alt. John Rippon, 1787 CM
MUSIC: Oliver Holden, 1793

249 All Glory, Laud and Honor

Vs 1,4,5

. . . Hosanna; Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.
— John 12 :13

Theodulph of Orleans
Tr. by John M. Neale

ST. THEODULPH
Melchior Teschner



Announcements

WE WELCOME ALL GUESTS who are worshipping with us this morning. We hope you will feel at home with us as we praise God together as one family, united in faith, hope, & love.

KIDS EASTER SURPRISE – Please see Helen to receive your goodie bag after worship. This is in lieu of our annual Egg Hunt.

MAUNDY THURSDAY service is Thursday, April 1 at 7:30 PM between the church and cemetery. Elders will be performing "Passion Parallel." Bring a chair and flashlight. Masks required. Please distance yourself on the cemetery driveway. There will be no communion this year.

EASTER OUTDOOR SERVICE – 9:00AM. Ernie Lyons will be leading this special service. We'll be gathering in the back of the church outside the Fellowship Hall. Masks required. Bring a chair or blanket if you prefer to sit. Breakfast sandwiches and coffee will be available after the service. Please sign-up through the weekly email or under "Events" on our website.

BLESSING OF THE BUILDING will be at 10:15AM on Easter with prayers from Pastor Gaye and music from Paul Royer to celebrate the gathering of members and re-opening of in-person worship.

EASTER IN-SANCTUARY SERVICE – 10:30AM. Registration is required and is limited to the first 15 individuals/families. For more info about gathering in-person, see next page. Please sign-up through the weekly email or under "Events" on our website.

FLOWER CROSS - Plan on arriving a few minutes early to worship on Easter, and place a flower in the cross. It will be a wonderful place to gather with your family to make a memory and take a photograph.

HOLY HUMOR – Sunday, April 11. Please contact Pastor Gaye by April 5 if you'd like to participate in this year's fun-filled service. Make & send a video to be played; share a joke in-person; get creative and spread some joy!

CONFIRMATION MEETING with mentors on Sunday, April 11 at 5PM at the church.

EARTH DAY – April 18. Art & Jean Holden will be sharing their trip to Mexico to see the Monarch butterfly migration. Bring-Your-Own picnic lunch to enjoy outside after worship. Please bring gloves and tools to help with cleaning up the church grounds. Butterfly crafts will be available for children. You are welcome to join even if not attending in-person worship.

APRIL NEWSLETTER has been sent out in our weekly email broadcast and is available through the website emanuelhighchurch.org and Facebook.

CONSISTORY – April 13 at 7PM on Zoom

What to expect if you attend in-person worship

In-person worship will continue weekly after Easter Sunday as long as numbers of COVID cases remain at a safe level.

Registration is required for Easter Sunday and possibly other Sundays with anticipated elevated attendance counts. Please keep in touch for future messaging.

Offerings will be dropped off in a box in the narthex. Bulletins and children's bulletins will be available in the narthex. Please have children leave clipboards and crayons in the pews, so we know they were used.

Prayer requests will be spoken aloud (with mask remaining on) after member is called upon.

The windows will be open in the sanctuary to promote air circulation. Please dress appropriately.

Please bring your own communion. We will also have prefilled juice/wafer cups available in the narthex.

Safety protocols from Emanuel's Safety & Security Committee will be followed to attend worship and ensure a safe worship environment for all members.

Safety Protocols for Attending Service

- Masks will be worn at all times. Face shields are not an alternative. If you forget your mask, we will have some available at the door.
- We will be taking everyone's temperatures and names at the door. We will log everyone's temperature.
- We ask you to please use the Purell station that is right inside the vestibule as you enter the Narthex.
- When entering the Sanctuary, proceed directly to the furthest forward open pew.
- Bulletins will be placed in the Narthex.
- We cannot not have communal sharing of worship materials, so please bring your own Bible.
- We will only be using the large bulletins with sheet music included but if you would rather use a hymnal then please take one from the Narthex. We then ask you to bring that same hymnal each Sunday and to take it home with you until everything returns to normal.
- To minimize the risk of spreading the virus, there will be no singing. You are invited to express your joy through clapping, toe tapping and humming if you like.
- We will be released by rows and everyone must head directly outside. We can greet each other and socialize once we are outside.
- If you are experiencing any of the symptoms listed below please stay home, we will still be streaming the service on Zoom.

In order to continue to worship in person, we all must adhere to these rules.

Covid-19 Symptoms

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

MARCH 28, 2021
PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

taking faith home

Jesus' journey to the cross.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	**Mark 14:1–15:47**	**The passion of Jesus**
Monday	**John 12:12-16**	**Jesus enters Jerusalem**
Tuesday	**Isaiah 50:4-9a**	**A servant song**
Wednesday	**Philippians 2:5-11**	**The Christ hymn**
Thursday	**John 13:1-17, 31b-35**	**Jesus washes disciples' feet**
Friday	**John 18:1—19:42**	**The passion of Jesus**
Saturday	**Psalm 31:9-16**	**Prayer for deliverance**
Sunday	**Mark 16:1-8**	**The tomb is empty**

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

[Jesus] humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name. **Philippians 2:7b-8 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:
Lord Jesus, we thank you that you humbled yourself on the cross so that we may know you as Savior of the world. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:
Dear Jesus, we thank you for this food we are about to eat. May we open our hearts and minds to receive you in our lives with love and devotion. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:
May God's face shine upon you, and save you with the steadfast love of the Lord. (Psalm 31:16)

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HYMN OF THE WEEK

Now Behold the Lamb

taking faith home

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- We often don't know important things about others. Who is someone you would like to learn more about? What would you like to ask them?
- Jesus' work as Savior comes through his rejection by others. Think or tell about a time when you were rejected. How did it make you feel?
- What do you learn about Jesus through his death on the cross?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Mark 14:1–15:47.

This long text creates its own devotional mood by walking with Jesus days prior to his death to his anguish in the garden, the trial, suffering, and crucifixion. There is much to choose from and you can consider for yourself what is meaningful to focus on. Is it the hospitality of Simon the leper or the adoration of an unnamed woman anointing Jesus? Is it Judas Iscariot and how we might betray Jesus today or be one of the deserting disciples who scatter like sheep? Do you identify with the disciples in Gethsemane, unable to stay awake for prayer along with Jesus during his time of anguish? How would it be to be a bystander like Simon of Cyrene who is drawn in to carry Jesus' cross? How is it that the centurion from the occupying forces of Rome is the only one to acknowledge Jesus with the words, "Truly this man was God's Son" (15:39)? What was it like for Joseph of Arimathea to take down Jesus' lifeless body and place it in a tomb? Or what other part of the account grips you this year? Whatever it is, reflect on Jesus' great love and sacrifice and our own need for Jesus as Savior. How do you honor Jesus as Savior today?

Pray: **For your great sacrifice and love, help us to adore you and witness to you as the Son of God and hope for the world. Amen.**

SERVICE

Do you know someone who will spend Easter alone? Consider sharing the resurrection joy by inviting that person to join you for a meal or call them to let them know that you are thinking about them.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Palm Sunday is the day Christians remember Jesus entering Jerusalem. It signals the beginning of Holy Week. As the week begins, take time in your home to use palms received during worship or make palms out of construction paper and wave them to re-enact the crowds shouting as they met Jesus. As you wave the palms, imagine Jesus riding on a donkey past you and shout, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord" (John 12:13b).

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