**Worship Prayer…**

Father in heaven, I admit I am a sinner and cannot save myself, but trust only in your Son Jesus Christ—true God and true man—who died on the cross for me and rose again to give me new life now and forever. By your Holy Spirit’s power take my heart and life and make me yours; turn me from my own selfish path to always love, trust and follow Jesus. Because you love and forgive me, help me forgive and love others. And now, as we gather together as your church in this place, make us one in truth and love according to the faithful leading and unfailing promises of your *living Word. In Jesus’ name….Amen!*

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**Palm Sunday**

April 10th, 2022

10:00 am Service

***‘Come grow with us!’***

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## ***WE REJOICE IN GOD’S LOVE & FORGIVENESS…***

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## Opening Prayer

## Praise Song *“Hosanna”*

*“The Name of the Lord”*

Invocation

Confession & Forgiveness *On screen or Hymnal p. 158*

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles’ Creed

***WE RECEIVE GOD’S WORD…***

## Today’s Psalm *Psalm 118:19-29*

Scripture Readings *Facing page*

Message Song *“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”*

Video *Jesus triumphant entry into Jerusalem [Palm Sunday]*

youtube.com/watch?v=rdyJO-\_aAv8 0:00 to 2:08

Message *“The Gates of the Righteous”*

***WE RESPOND TO GOD’S CALL…***

Prayers of God’s People

Lord’s Prayer

Benediction

Closing Song *“The Strong Name of Jesus”*

*Please place offerings in basket at sanctuary entrance*

***“The Gates of the Righteous”***

Our Psalm for today, Psalm 118:1, says: *“Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.”*  How do we enter the gates of the righteous…?

***1) I enter God’s gates through the right ROCK.***

**36**The Lord will vindicate his people and relent concerning his servants when he sees their strength is gone and no one is left, slave or free. **37**He will say: “Now where are their gods, the rock they took refuge in, **38**the gods who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of their drink offerings? Let them rise up to help you! Let them give you shelter! **39**“See now that I myself am he! There is no god besides me. I put to death and I bring to life, I have wounded and I will heal, and no one can deliver out of my hand. Deuteronomy 32:36-39

***2) I enter God’s gates by the right RELATIONSHIPS.***

**5**In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: **6**Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; **7**rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. **8**And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! **9**Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, **10**that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, **11**and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:5-11

***3) I enter God’s gates for the right REASONS.***

**23**Jesus replied, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. **24**Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. **25**Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. **26**Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.

**27**“Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour.”

John 12:23-27