

## 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!*

## Living Word exists to...

- ✓ Proclaim God's Love
- ✓ Expand God's Kingdom
- ✓ Mature God's People
- ✓ Live God's Word!



*Living in the Word...that the Word may live in others.*

Anita Meier - Musician  
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# Living Word



## Palm Sunday

April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

10:00 am Service

***'Come grow with us!'***

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## **WELCOME TO LIVING WORD!**

*Blue church information card is in seat pocket*

### **WE REJOICE IN GOD'S LOVE & FORGIVENESS...**

Opening Prayer

Praise Song "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Invocation

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

Affirmation of Faith: Nicene Creed

### **WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD...**

Today's Psalm *Psalm 118:19-29*

Scripture Readings *Facing page*

Message Song "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Video *A Christian Stone Mason's Look At The Cornerstone*  
[youtube.com/watch?v=ecGY8Bpl1dE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ecGY8Bpl1dE) 0:00 to 1:50

Message "Rejected or Received?"

### **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL...**

Prayers of God's People

Lord's Prayer

Communion "Feed Us Now"

Benediction

Closing Song "Hosanna"

*Please place offerings in basket at sanctuary entrance*

## **"Rejected or Received?"**

Psalm 118 says: "The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." Do you reject or receive Christ, our Cornerstone...?

### **1) Do I condemn the Cornerstone or my CORRUPTION?**

<sup>4</sup>The Sovereign LORD has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed. <sup>5</sup>The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears; I have not been rebellious, I have not turned away. <sup>6</sup>I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting. <sup>7</sup>Because the Sovereign LORD helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame. <sup>8</sup>He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me! <sup>9</sup>It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me. Who will condemn me?  
Isaiah 50:4-9a

### **2) Do I commit to my own considerations or CHRIST'S?**

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

### **3) Do I comprehend only my culture or true CHRISTIANITY?**

<sup>12</sup>The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup>They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the king of Israel!" <sup>14</sup>Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written: <sup>15</sup>"Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt." <sup>16</sup>At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that these things had been done to him. <sup>17</sup>Now the crowd that was with him when he called Lazarus from the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to spread the word. <sup>18</sup>Many people, because they had heard that he had performed this sign, went out to meet him. <sup>19</sup>So the Pharisees said to one another, "See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after him!"  
John 12:12-19