a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written: ¹⁵ "Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt." ¹⁶ 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. ¹⁷ 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. ¹⁸ Many people, because they had heard that he had performed this sign, went out to meet him. ¹⁹ 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

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!



'Come grow with us!'

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Living Word



Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem

Palm Sunday

April 13th, 2025 10:00 am Service

WELCOME TO LIVING WORD!

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

Opening Prayer

Praise Songs "In the Lord Alone"

"Hosanna"

Invocation

Confession & Forgiveness

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD...

Today's Psalm Psalm 118:19-29

Scripture Readings Facing page

Message Song "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Message "The Gate of the Lord"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL...

Prayers of God's People

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Song "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

Please place offerings in basket at sanctuary entrance

"The Gate of the Lord"

Psalm 118 says: "Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter. I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes." How do we enter the "gate of the Lord...?"

1) Enter the gate of the Lord by fearing God ALONE.

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) Enter the gate of the Lord by trusting God <u>INCARNATE</u>.

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) Enter the gate of the Lord by obeying God's KING!

¹² The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. ¹³ 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!" ¹⁴ Jesus found