



BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 a.m.

April 14, 2019

Welcome! Please see the pew card "Welcome to Worship" for more information on our services.

Palm Sunday: Time to Celebrate



PRELUDE: "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" (by Frederick A. Challinor)

Tim Barnes, organ

INTROIT

INTRODUCTION OF THE SERIES

CENTERING HYMN: "Come and Find the Quiet Center" FS 2128, vs. 3

*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the name of Jesus,

who got on a donkey and rode into Jerusalem to proclaim justice for the outcast;

In the name of Jesus,

who looked upon the people waving branches and laying their cloaks before him and vowed to love them no matter the consequences;

In the name of Jesus,

who invites us to join the parade and celebrate life!

Let the people say, "Hosanna!" **Hosanna!**

Let the people say, "Amen." **Amen.**

* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Bold type indicates congregational response.

*OPENING HYMN: "O Glory, Laud, and Honor" # 280, vs. 3-5

WELCOME STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION

(Please check in on Facebook and/or on Twitter @ChicagoUMC, wifi password is 7733482679, and pass the friendship pads to register your attendance and any updated contact information.)

Welcome to worship, God's beloved! **YES, I Am Welcome! Bienvenidas y bienvenidos!**

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

Before you settle back into your seats, take time to connect with the people around you, starting the conversation with something like, **"What are you ready for in your life?"**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL ANTHEM: "The Palms"

Broadway Choir

*SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 19:28-40

Having said this, Jesus went ahead with the ascent to Jerusalem. Approaching Bethpage and Bethany, near what is called the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of the disciples with these instructions: "Go into the village ahead of you. Upon entering it, you'll find a tethered colt that no one has yet ridden. Untie it and lead it back. If anyone should ask you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Rabbi needs it.'" They departed on their errand and found things just as Jesus had said. As they untied the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you doing that?" They explained that the Rabbi needed it. Then the disciples led the animal to Jesus and, laying their cloaks on it, helped him mount. People spread their cloaks on the roadway as Jesus rode along. As they reached the descent from the Mount of Olives, the entire crowd of disciples joined them and began to rejoice and praise God loudly for the display of power they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the One who comes in the name of our God! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!" Jesus replied, "I tell you, if they were to keep silent, the very stones would cry out!"

Here ends the reading of the Gospel. This is the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" # 278

*SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 2:21-28

[Jesus replied:] "No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak. Otherwise, the patch pulls away from it—the new from the old—and the tear gets worse. Similarly, no one pours new wine into old wineskins. If one does, the wine will burst the skins, and both wine and skins will be lost. No, new wine is poured into new wineskins." One Sabbath day Jesus took a walk through the grain fields, and the disciples began to pick ears of grain as they went along. The Pharisees said to Jesus, "Look, why are they doing something on the Sabbath day that is forbidden?" And Jesus replied, "Did you never read what David did in his time of need when he and his followers were hungry—how David went

into the house of God when Abiathar was high priest and ate the loaves of offering, which only the priests are allowed to eat, and how he also gave some to those with him?" Then Jesus said to them, "The Sabbath was made for people, not people for the Sabbath. That is why the Chosen One is ruler even of the Sabbath."

Here ends the reading of the Gospel. This is the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

MESSAGE: "Time to Celebrate"

Student Pastor Savannah Gross

"TIME OUT" FOR PRAYER

In this moment we hear your promise, holy ONE:

"Sabbath rest was made for you. You don't have to earn it. It is yours, forever."

You do not ask us to be tireless,

but call us to renew ourselves for the work of renewing others.

So, now we bring our petitions to you, O God.

Here are the people and things we are worried about and yet know that we cannot control:

[Prayers can be named out loud or in silence.]

These prayers we bring to you in Jesus, and pray the prayer that Jesus gave us:

THE PRAYER OF JESUS *[You are invited to say this prayer in the language of your heart.]*

Our God 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. Amen.

MISSION MINUTE: Planned Parenthood and ChildServ

[see announcements]

THE INVITATION TO OFFERING

[Broadway is committed to the financial support of its identity, vision, and ministry by tithing. Consider making an offering this morning of 10 percent of your income from this past week.]

We hurt and betray each other. We have done our neighbors wrong and so we will again. These are truths we bear together. And yet, even more so, somehow, Love still persists: among us, within us, around us. Sometimes meekly, other times abundantly, but always Love makes a way when we welcome it. With joy, let us bring our offerings.

*DOXOLOGY..... [tune # 95]

**For time to savor God's good gifts, For space to breathe and hearts to lift
For ways to reach out and to give, We offer thanks and vow to live! AMEN.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Christ, who takes on flesh and reveals the power of Love, we give you praise. You lead us to paths of salvation, birthing freedom in us despite every voice, story, institution, or system that seeks to diminish life. Receive these gifts of gratitude and give us the courage to accompany one another in the ways of life and liberation. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: "What Wondrous Love is This" # 292, vs. 1-2

PASSION STORY

SENDING FORTH

Go and meet the unhurried God in the world.

[We invite you to leave the sanctuary in silence when you are ready.]



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Invitation to Lenten Practices

In this bulletin is an insert for your personal Lenten practice of the Prayer Chair. Also—the God Box will be available here in the sanctuary throughout the season whenever you need to add to it.

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