COUNTDOWN

WELCOME

SCRIPTURE
Matthew 21:1-11 (NIV)

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSIONAL

PRAISE SONGS
“Jesus”
“Glorious Day”

MEET & GREET
“Awkward Easter Invite: Doorbell Disaster”

ANNOUNCEMENTS
CONFIRMATION CLASS
Dylan Cantin
*Hannah Fish
*Lucas Johnston
Alyssa Tobiasen
Emma Youngblood
*Will receive the sacrament of baptism

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER

For more information and classroom assignments for Children's Sunday School, please see Children's Ministry News on the back panel of this bulletin.

CALL TO OFFERING
OFFERTORY
“Ain’t No Rock Gonna’ Shout for Me”
Lloyd Larson
Westminster Youth Choir

MESSAGE
“Palm/Passion Sunday”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

SONG OF DEDICATION
“Only King Forever”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

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### CHILDREN’S MINISTRY NEWS

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Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Melissa Long & Joyce Curvin.

1st-2nd Grade, Room 2
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Alice & Charles Ellis.

3rd-5th Grades, Room 8
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9:30 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Middle & High School Sunday School during the 9:30am service will meet in the Ignite Service to support the 2017 Confirmation Class.

### ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 TCI (Today's Christian Issues) Class – Rooms 9 & 11
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### FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

ACOLYTES:
(8:15) Jade Johnson
(11:00) Aidan McDermott

GREETERS:
(8:15) Joanna Spigarelli & Joy Hasinger
(11:00) Wally & Nancy Ericson

USHERS:
(8:15) Bill & Margaret Lewis
Patty Martin & Bob MacFall
(9:30) Curtis & Vicki Kruenger

VAN DRIVER: Art Holloway
Order for the Public Worship of God
April 9, 2017
Passion/Palm Sunday
8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

WE GATHER
(Christ Curvin, Pastor)
Leader: The Lord is merciful and gracious.
People: slow to anger and abounding in love.
Leader: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
People: Hosanna in the highest!
Leader: Hosanna in the highest! Let us worship God.

OPENING VOLUNTARY
"Rondeau" Joseph Mouret
arr. Arnold B. Sherman
Celebration Ringers and Organ
(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

STORY OF THE GREAT PARADE
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
(please complete the bulletin insert, "FRIENDSHIP SHEET," and pass it toward the center aisle.)

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN
#197 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

WE UNITE IN PRAYER
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father, who art 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE SHARE

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING
"Ain't No Rock Gonna' Shout for Me" Lloyd Larson
Westminster Youth Choir
Here comes the Lord ridin' on a donkey with people waving branches and callin' him "King." Here comes the Lord ridin' through Jerusalem. If the people don’t shout, the rocks will cry out! Rocks, keep silent! Jesus comes to set me free. Rocks, keep silent! I'm gonna’ shout in victory! Rocks, keep silent! Jesus reigns in majesty. Ain’t no rock gonna’ shout for me.

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Here comes the Lord as thousands throng to see him. Children stand on tiptoe to see the King. Here comes the Lord, excitement in the air. If the people don’t shout, the rocks will cry out! Rocks, keep silent! Jesus come to set me free. Rocks, keep silent! I'm gonna’ shout in victory! Rocks, keep silent! Jesus reigns in majesty. Ain’t no rock gonna’ shout for me.

Here comes the Lord; hosannas fill the air. The people bow and worship the promised King! Here comes the Lord, "Hosanna in the highest!" If the people don’t shout, the rocks will cry out!

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING
Matthew 21:1-11 (page 802)

SERMON
"Palm-Passion Sunday!" Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #216 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" ST. CHRISTOPHER

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY
"Improvisation for Palm Sunday" Alexandre Guilmant
(1837-1911)

(You are invited to remain for the final act of worship, the closing voluntary. A closer look is welcomed if you wish to come stand next to the organ console.)

Stephanie Carson, Music Director
Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

*Congregation will stand. If standing is difficult for you, feel free to remain seated.

COLOR OF THE DAY: RED
In our Christian tradition, the different colors used for vestments and paraments are drawn from creation to remind those participating in worship of the different blessings of God. Many of the colors associated with the seasons are closely linked with the experience of Christians in the Northern hemisphere. Christians in the Southern hemisphere will experience the church year differently in that context, perhaps calling forth different color associations.

The color for Lent is purple but it is appropriate as we begin Holy Week to use red signifying the Passion, blood, and Cross. Red is also used for Palm Sunday, Pentecost (fire) and Reformation (martyrdom).

HYMN NOTES:
Beneath the Cross of Jesus (216)

Our closing hymn today was written in 1868 by a frail Scottish Presbyte-
rian woman Elizabeth Clephane (1830-1869). One of the few women hymn writers of Scotland, she was born in Edinburgh but grew up in Melrose where because of service to the poor and sick of her community she was known as "Sunbeam." Melrose was also the home of writer Sir Walter Scott who included a description of an old bridge in his book "The Abbot and the Monastery." The bridge was near Miss Clephane's house. Written only a year before her early death, this hymn was originally five stanzas with only three now in common usage. In spite of the escapist
stance 3:3 ("content to let the world go by;") it remains a standard hymn for Lent and Holy Week. She also wrote the gospel hymn "The Ninety and Nine" made popular by the 19th century Moody-Sankey revivals.

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