

5th Sunday in Lent – April 6, 2025 – 10:30am

Order of Worship

The Community Gathers

Lighting of Altar Candles

Special Music – “*Prepare Ye Come, Hosana*”

A Word of Greeting and Welcome/Centering Words – Rev. Allison Mark Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Opening Hymn – “*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*”UMH#278 v.1,3 Angela Gricar **Giving God Glory**

As We Come to Worship

Call to Worship (L: Leader, **P: People**) Cheryl Nakata

L: On this day, Jesus marched

P: in between the city walls and the Temple.

**In between joyful Hosannas and doubtful whispers,
In between oppressive poverty and greedy power,
In between rampant fear and hope unfurled.**

L: On this day, Jesus marched in between what had been and what could be.

P: So we may meet Christ in the liminal space

May we lay down our coats in that messy middle.

L: Hosanna in the highest!

P: Hosanna in between!

Opening Prayer Cheryl Nakata Foundation of our faith, your son humbled himself on the back of a colt. The he entered Jerusalem in lowly estate to bring joy to the hearts of children. Forsaking his place at your side, Jesus emptied of prestige and power to become a servant to all. On this day of joy and remembrance, sin in our hearts once more, that we too may dance with the children – for to such belong the kingdom of heaven. Amen.

Message for the Children (In Us All) Rev. Allison Mark **The Word of God for the people of**

God

Scripture Lesson: Luke 19:29-40 Cheryl Nakata ²⁹ As Jesus came to Bethphage and Bethany on the Mount of Olives, he gave two disciples a task. ³⁰ He said, “Go into the village over there. When you enter it, you will find tied up there a colt that no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say, ‘Its master needs it.’” ³² Those who had been sent found it exactly as he had

said.

³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They replied, "Its master needs it." ³⁵ They brought it to Jesus, threw their clothes on the colt, and lifted Jesus onto it. ³⁶ As Jesus rode along, they spread their clothes on the road. ³⁷ As Jesus approached the road leading down from the Mount of Olives, the whole throng of his disciples began rejoicing. They praised God with a loud voice because of all the mighty things they had seen. ³⁸ They said,

"Blessings on the king who comes in the name of the Lord.
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens."

³⁹ Some of the Pharisees from the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, scold your disciples! Tell them to stop!"

⁴⁰ He answered, "I tell you, if they were silent, the stones would shout."

L: The Word of God for all people

P: *Thanks be to God*

Congregational Hymn – "*How Majestic is Your Name*" FWS#2023 2x Angela Gricar Sermon –

Everything [In] Between: Silence & Shouting Rev. Allison Mark Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Rev. Allison Mark **We Respond to God's Grace**

Offering Our Gifts – Rev. Allison Mark Doxology – "*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings*

Flow"UMH#94 Angela Gricar

Offertory – Prayer of Dedication Cheryl Nakata We thank you, O God, for your generous Spirit. We praise you for Christ's gift of self, and your never-failing love. For your many gifts, we thank you. For walking with us in our weakness, we praise you. Receive these gifts in token and thanks for the love you offer us – a love that makes us well and whole. Amen.

Going Forth in God's Holy Name

Faith in Action – The Ministry of Faith UMC Rev. Allison Mark Closing Hymn – "*He Has Made*

Me Glad"FWS#2270 x2 Angela Gricar Commission and Blessings Rev. Allison Mark Passing of

the Peace – Postlude