

iucc Irvine United Congregational Church
*An Open & Affirming, Just Peace, Global Mission, Creation Justice
Congregation of the United Church of Christ*

March 24, 2024 • 9:30am

PALM SUNDAY

Prelude

Yuyoung Jeong, piano

Gathering Song

As We Gather
by Coomes & Fay

Congregation

As we gather may your Spirit work within us
As we gather may we glorify your name
Knowing well that as our hearts begin to worship
We'll be blessed because we came [repeat]

Welcome

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Rev. Dr. Sarah Halverson-Cano

Gong

Introit

Antiphonal Hosanna
by G. Alan Smith

Chancel Choir

Call to Worship

Keith Boyum

One: Sing songs of loudest praise!

Many: Hosanna!

One: Sing songs that are unashamed.

Many: Hosanna!

One: Sing songs without being afraid.

Many: Hosanna!

One: Sing for the God of tomorrow and today.

Many: Hosanna!

One: We have arrived, Jesus is here! The party has just begun!

Hosanna! Hosanna!

ALL: We have arrived, but the journey is not over yet. It's really just begun.

Hosanna. Hosanna.

Hymn***Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*****Congregation**

New Century Hymnal # 213 (v. 1,2,3)

Hosanna, loud hosanna
the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple
the lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them,
close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises,
the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed
mid an exultant crowd,
the victory palm branch waving,
and chanting clear and loud.
The one whom angels worship
rode on in lowly state,
and glad to see the children,
slowed down the donkey's gait.

"Hosanna in the highest!"
That ancient song is ours.
We hail our great our Redeemer,
and sing with all our powers.
Hosanna, Christ, we praise you,
with heart and life and voice,
Hosanna! In your presence
forever we'll rejoice!

A Fresh Word**Anthem*****Ride On King Jesus*****Chancel Choir**

by Moses Hogan

Prayers of the Church**Chaplain Richard Davenport**

Our Creator (Father, Mother, or other name as you are comfortable),
which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory Call

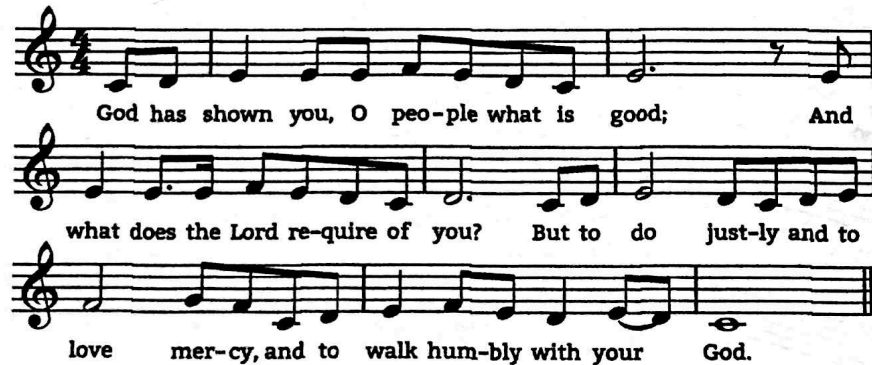
Keith Boyum

Offertory Music

Come, O Fount of Every Blessing

Choral Interns

Song of Thanksgiving • "Micah 6:8"



God has shown you, O peo-ple what is good; And
what does the Lord re-quire of you? But to do just-ly and to
love mer-cy, and to walk hum-bly with your God.

Prayer of Dedication

Keith Boyum

Scripture

Matthew 21:1-11

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When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

"Tell the daughter of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Sarah Halverson-Cano

Benediction

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Response

Alleluia

Congregation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
(Repeat)

**Postlude
piano**

Yuyoung Jeong,

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