THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Celebrant:Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.People:Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the

contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gospel

Luke 19:28-40

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

Blessing Of The Palms - Please hold palms up for the blessing.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you** Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Celebrant: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. **People: Hosanna in the highest.**

The Procession

Deacon: Let us go forth in peace.

People: In the name of Christ. Amen.

The crucifer will lead the procession. Please follow the crucifer out of Cooper Hall. (Procession Hymn on next page)



SONG OF PRAISE "O Magnify the Lord"

