

## 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

**Mark 11:1-11**

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

### 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.**

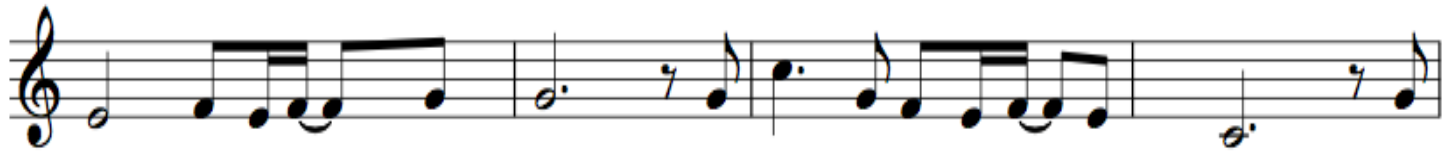
*The crucifer will lead the procession. Please follow the crucifer out of Cooper Hall.*

*(Procession Hymn on next page)*

**Song of Praise**  
*“O Magnify the Lord”*



O mag-ni-fy the Lord for He is wor-thy to\_ be praised.



O mag-ni-fy\_ the Lord for He is wor-thy to\_ be praised. Ho



san - na! Bless-ed be the rock! Bless-ed be the rock of my sal - va - tion! Ho



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**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastors at 90 Main

Leader: Come from the city streets.

**People: Join the happy throng that gathers to honor Jesus!**

Leader: Come from your busy homes and places of business.

**People: Put down your work in joyful celebration!**

Leader: Come, lay down your sorrows and worries.

**People: Turn your eyes toward the Savior whom God has sent!**

Leader: Let all join in joyful song!

**People: Hosanna! Blessed is Jesus Christ, who comes in God's name!**