



# Palm/Passion Sunday

March 29, 2026



**Preaching**  
Phil Yoder

**Worship Leader**  
Kendra Nickel

**Pianist/Organist**  
Laura Hartzler

## Passion

Chancel Choir

*Ah, Holy Jesus*  
LuAnn Stuckey, director; Judy Steiner, piano

J. Crüger/G. Matheny

Community Prayer  
*The Lord's Prayer (Abana)*

Carrie Mast  
Handout in pew rack

Scripture

John 19:16b-22

Message

*A Completely Unbiased Sermon*

## Living God's Story

\*Hymn of Response

*Were You There*

VT 329

Offering

Invitation

Offertory

Prayer of Dedication

*In the Garden*

Lorie Line

## Sending

\*Hymn of Sending

*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

VT 325

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

- VT: *Voices Together (Purple Bound Book)*

*Parents of young children: God put the wiggle in children, so no need to suppress those wiggles. Sitting closer to the front makes it easier for your little ones to engage. Also, children learn their behavior by mimicking you. Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Feel free to leave the sanctuary with your child, but you're welcome to come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."*

## Palms

Music Calls Us

*Christ, We Do All Adore Thee*

Theodore Dubois

Scripture

John 12:12-27

Responsive Reading

One: We gather to worship God and to look back on where we've been;

**Many: we see old hopes, plans, and dreams, remembered "Hosannas!" and all these weeks of Lent.**

One: We gather to worship God and to look at where we are now,

**Many: at Jesus re-defining triumph; and the king on the cross instead of a throne.**

One: We gather to worship God and to wonder at this mystery,

**Many: of salvation that comes so strangely; of life that comes through death; of brokenness meeting grace.**

**All: Hosanna in the highest!**

Opening Hymn

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*  
Procession of the Palms

VT 313

## Telling God's Story

Conversation with Children

Carrie Mast

\*Hymn

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

VT 315

Confession Poem

One: Jesus, this story is not the one we expected.

**Many: We feel for your disciples, so happy to proclaim you king as you rode into Jerusalem.**

One: We feel for your disciples devastated at your crucifixion.

**Many: When we are no longer sure about anything. When everything we thought we had and knew falls apart.**

One: "Hosanna!" we sang back then, "Save us!"

"Hosanna!" we cry now, "God, please!"

**Many: And though the story has shifted, you do save.**

**All: You have. You will. You are.**