



**Palm Sunday**  
**Formed, Filled & Sent:**  
*Encountering Jesus in the Gospel, at the Table, and on the Road.*

**March 24, 2024**

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**GATHERED: INTO GOD'S PRESENCE**

*The chime is rung as a call to set aside distractions to find rest in God,  
who welcomes us here.*

**Prelude**

**Opening Sentence: Psalm 118:29** *O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his  
steadfast love endures forever.*

**CALL TO WORSHIP\***

**One:** This is no ordinary day...  
and it is the most ordinary of days —

**All:** the Messiah is in our midst!

**One:** Bring your whole self to welcome him!

**All:** We offer all we have and lay it at his feet,  
shouting Hosanna to the One who can save us.

**Opening Prayer\***

**HYMN** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* VT 315

**Passing the Peace & Fellowship Greeting**

## **FORMED: Encountering Jesus in the Gospel**

HYMN *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* VT 313

*...with palm processional; come to the back during fellowship greeting*

Children's Time

Scripture Reading *Mark 11:1-11*

HYMN *Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty* VT 316

## **FILLED: Encountering Jesus at the Table**

Scripture Reading *Mark 14:3-9*

Meditation

HYMN *Spirit, Do Your Work in Us* VT 475

Prayer of Confession & Words of Institution

Come to the Table... (with Music for Meditation)

*Gather in small groups around one of the three stations in the sanctuary as you are ready. A gluten free option is available at the front on the organ side. If you prefer to remain seated, a server will come to you. In keeping with our Anabaptist tradition, we offer those still deciding about baptism (often children and youth) a bunch of grapes and a blessing. However, as this is God's Table and not ours, we invite you to participate as you feel led by the Spirit of the Living Christ, the true host. All seeking to know and follow Christ more fully are welcome.*

HYMN *God, Be the Love* VT 43

## **SENT: Encountering Jesus on the Road**

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Announcements

## **Entering Holy Week...**

Chancel Choir *Ah, Holy Jesus ...setting John Ferguson*

Benediction\*

Postlude *... receive the postlude as a musical blessing*

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If you need a hearing assist device, please ask at the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary. The Nursery is typically staffed with a volunteer care provider during worship (and Sunday School as needed). Children are also welcome to remain in the sanctuary! Worship bags with drawing/coloring materials are provided at the back of the sanctuary.

If you'd like to be added to our all-church email list to receive prayer requests and announcements (typically 2 emails/week), please contact the church office or Pastor Tonya.

Photo on front of bulletin: Photo by [Brady Leavell](#) on [Unsplash](#)

\*These words for worship written for BibleWorm by Rev. Teri Peterson.

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Sound: Allen Yoder  
Livestream: Jonathan Wenger  
Ushers: Russ Gaeddert & Diane Ziemer  
Nursery: Kris & Joyce Lindenberger  
Musicians: Shelley Kauffman; Chancel Choir, Calvin Buller, director  
Worship Leader: Maggie Pounds  
Song Leader: Pastor Tonya  
Scripture Reader: Delon Martens  
Children's Time: Stephanie Gehring, Trae Gehring  
Meditation: Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger  
Communion Preparation: Dohn and Jeanette Fast  
Communion Servers: Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger,  
Pastor Jim Unruh, Maggie Pounds, Diane Ziemer

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# Welcome!

We are so glad you are all here!!

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*Your offerings are received, with gratitude, in the offering box on the table at the back of the sanctuary.  
You can also now donate electronically on our website.  
Thank you for your generosity shown in many ways!*

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**TODAY:** Fellowship Time after worship & Sunday School @ 11:00

**Sunday School classes for all ages**

- **CHILDREN (all ages + nursery care):** *Jesus Brings Good News*
- **ADULT CLASS (combined in fellowship hall -TODAY: the text of the Nicene Creed as presented in Bach's *B minor Mass***
- **YOUNGER ADULTS CLASS:** meets in the library

**Volunteers are needed after Sunday School today to help set up the Stations of the Cross** (and to take them down at the end of the week on Friday evening or Saturday morning).

**April 12-13 – Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale**

**Calling all bakers!** REQUEST: 20 pies, 40 dozen zwieback from FMC.

Pie tins and bags are on the table in the foyer. Deliver to Meadowlark Building by noon on Friday, April 12

**Donations for Children's Auction.** <https://kansas.mccsale.org/>

**Holy Week with Stations of the Cross and Maundy Thursday**

***Stations of the Cross*** open Tuesday 9-2pm; Wed Noon-5:30;

Thursday Noon-7pm; Friday noon-8pm

***Maundy Thursday Meal & Worship*** 6:00pm, including communion and an opportunity for footwashing (optional)

**EASTER (March 31)**

**9:00am** Easter worship begins in the fellowship hall around tables for ***Easter Morning Prayer*** and communion fellowship as we feast on a ***Breakfast Potluck*** (*bring a dish to share & your own table service*).

**10:00am** We'll transition to the sanctuary for our regular worship service, including filling the cross with flowers. (No Sunday School.)



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