

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

All glory, laud, and honor
to you, O Christ, we sing,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring!
The people of the Hebrews
with palms adorned your way;
our praise and prayer and anthems
we offer you this day.

O Promised One of Israel,
of David's royal line,
the one called "God's beloved,"
of flesh and yet divine,
To you, before your passion,
they sang their hymns of praise;
to you, now high exalted,
our melody we raise.

As you received their praises,
receive our prayers today,
whose justice and whose mercy
and sovereignty hold sway.
All glory, laud, and honor,
to you, O Christ, we sing,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring!

O The Deep Deep Love of Jesus

1 O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
vast, unmeasured, boundless, free!
Rolling as a mighty ocean
in its fullness over me!
Underneath me, all around me,
is the current of thy love—
leading onward, leading homeward,
to thy glorious rest above!

2 O the deep, deep love of Jesus—
spread his praise from shore to shore!
How he loves us, ever loves us,
changes never, nevermore!
How he watches o'er his loved ones,
died to call them all his own;
how for them he's interceding,
watching o'er them from the throne!

3 O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
love of every love the best!
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'tis a haven sweet of rest!
O the deep, deep love of Jesus—
'tis a heaven of heavens to me;
and it lifts me up to glory,
for it lifts me up to thee!

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PALM SUNDAY

"Look for the Unexpected"

CENTRE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

United Church of Christ
5 Summer Street, Lynnfield, Massachusetts

April 2, 2023
10:00 am

WE GATHER
Prelude

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna Piano arrangement Raluca Bohor

Welcome

Threshold

Show Us How to Love words by Lindy Thompson
music by Mark Miller

Hearts open, minds awake,
change us now for heaven’s sake.
Leave us not alone in hatred’s wake.
Show us how to love.
Show us how to love.
Show us how, show us how to love.

Eyes open, shocked awake,
much to learn from our mistakes.
Draw us closer in our heartache.
Show us how to love.
Show us how to love.
Show us how, show us how to love.

First Reading

**Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 [adapted]*
(See Page 5 & 6))

Opening Hymn

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**stand as you are able* ①

Larainne: Let the people say, Give thanks to God!
People: Give thanks to God!
For God is good!
People: For God is good!
God’s love endures forever!
People: God’s love endures forever!
Here comes LOVE!
People: Here comes LOVE!

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First Reading

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 [adapted]

Frank: O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good; God's steadfast love endures forever!

Larainne: Let all the children say, "God's love is forever."

People: "God's love is forever!"

Allison: Open up the gates! that we may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

Larainne: This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. Let all the children say, "Open up the gates!"

People: "Open up the gates!"

Frank: I thank you that you have answered me, O God, and have become my salvation.

Allison: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

Larainne: This is the Lord's doing; Let the people say, "It is a marvelous thing!"

People: "It is a marvelous thing!"

Frank: This is the day that the LORD has made;

Larainne: Let the people say, "Let us rejoice and be glad in it!"

People: "Let us rejoice and be glad in it!"

Allison: Save us, we beseech you, O LORD!

Larainne: Let the people say, "Save us, hosanna!"

People: "Save us, hosanna!"

Frank: Blessed are they who come in the name of the LORD.

Allison: God has given us light. So let the festival procession of branches go up to the altar!

WE PROCLAIM
Mini Message

Word in Music

Hosanna

Fraser

The Gospel

Matthew 21:1-11

Larainne Wilson

Sermon

"Unexpected"

Rev. Lori Wyckoff

WE RESPOND

Offering

Call to the Offering

Offertory

"The Times They Are a Changin'"

Bob Dylan

*Hymn of Praise (unison)

Tune: Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Living God, whom we adore

Prayer of Dedication

Praying On The Way to the Table

Kyrie Eleison, Kyrie Eleison
Kyrie Eleison, Kyrie Eleison

Let us pray: Holy and Merciful One, in this season of discernment we have come bringing our deepest longings, and our failed attempts at satisfying them. We have confessed that we often looked for love, for acceptance and security, in the spectacular and mighty of this world, while denigrating the common and simple ways we could love more fully.

**People: We yearn for lives that matter,
we desire relationships that thrive,
we want less regret.**

At times we fail to see that you have already given us what really matters: your love and acceptance. You provide opportunities all around us to make a difference in the lives of others. You give us a fresh start each day, inviting us to do better. In this silence, we bring to you our pleas for openness to a different way of living.

~Silence~

My friends, be assured by the Psalmist who has said, "God is good and God's steadfast love endures forever!" Let us respond together:

We open our hearts, our minds, our souls, our vision to the ways of love created by God, embodied in Jesus, and already moving in us by the Spirit. We are forgiven, loved, and freed! Amen!

**Kyrie Eleison, Kyrie Eleison
Kyrie Eleison, Kyrie Eleison**

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Remembrance
Communion Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom 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 kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

WE GO FORTH

Announcements

Closing Hymn/Song of the Passion

**O, The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus* (see insert)

Benediction

Postlude

Arrangement on All Glory Laud and Honor

We welcome Noel Smith as our guest musician today.

Our ushers today are Raden Sorli-Hawk, Annmarie Pendola, Steve Riley, and Jeff Law.

Our Coffee Hour hosts today are members of the Social and Environmental Ministries Team.

The flowers on the altar this morning are given by Margaret Waugh in loving memory of her parents, Lillian and Robert Cummings.

