

The Triumphal Entry of Our Lord

Sunday, March 24, 2024 - 11:15am

Pre-Service Music

Our Preschool Students Sing “Hosanna!”

Children’s Time

Pastor Tim Eden

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Exhortation

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- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.

- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

- P** Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Confession of Sins

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- C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

(Silence for prayerful confession)

Absolution

Song:

“The Power of Your Love”

by Geoff Bullock

**Lord, I come to You, let my heart be changed, renewed,
flowing from the grace that I’ve found in You.
And Lord, I’ve come to know the weaknesses I see in me
will be stripped away by the pow’r of Your love.**

***Refrain:* Hold me close, let Your love surround me;
Bring me near, draw me to Your side.
And as I wait, I’ll rise up like an eagle and I will soar with You,
Your Spirit leads me on in the pow’r of Your love.**

**Lord, unveil my eyes, let me see You face to face,
the knowledge of Your love as You live in me.
Lord, renew my mind as Your will unfolds in my life,
in living ev’ry day in the pow’r of Your love.**

**Hold me close, let Your love surround me;
Bring me near, draw me to Your side.
And as I wait, I’ll rise up like an eagle and I will soar with You,
Your Spirit leads me on in the pow’r of Your love.**

**Hold me close, let Your love surround me;
Bring me near, draw me to Your side.
And as I wait, I’ll rise up like an eagle and I will soar with You,
Your Spirit leads me on in the pow’r of Your love.**

And I will soar with You, Your Spirit leads me on in the pow’r of Your love.

Song:

“King of Kings”

By Jason Ingram & Brooke Ligertwood

**In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes**

To fulfil the law and prophets

**To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt**

**Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings**

**To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross**

**For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died**

**Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings**

**And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death**

**And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored**

**And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint**

**By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me**

**Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings**

Praise forever to the King of Kings.

Prayer Time Concluded with Our 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Song:

**“Hosanna”
by Brooke Ligertwood**

**I see the King of glory, Coming on the clouds with fire
The whole earth shakes, The whole earth shakes**

**I see His love and mercy, Washing over all our sin
The people sing, The people sing**

**Chorus
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest**

**I see a generation, Rising up to take their place
With selfless faith, With selfless faith**

**I see a near revival, Stirring as we pray and seek
We're on our knees, We're on our knees**

(Chorus) (Interlude)

**Heal my heart and make it clean
Open up my eyes to the things unseen
Show me how to love like You have loved me**

**Break my heart for what breaks Yours
Everything I am for Your Kingdom's cause
As I walk from earth into eternity
(Chorus) (Chorus)**

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest

Welcome

Pastor Randy Bard

New Members Received

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 9:9–12

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Hebrews 9:12a, c, 15a; Psalm 111:9a

A Christ entered once for all into the holy places, by means of his own blood,

C Thus securing an eternal redemption.

A Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant,

C So that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

A He sent redemption to his people;

C He has commanded his covenant forever. Amen.

Epistle Reading

Philippians 2:5–11

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself

nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel Reading

John 12:12–19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹²The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹³So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!” ¹⁴And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

¹⁵“Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt!”

¹⁶His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him.

¹⁷The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. ¹⁸The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. ¹⁹So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon: The King Is Coming!

Pastor Tim Eden

Our Offerings to the Lord

*(Members & guests please tear off the attendance card on the back of this bulletin,
fill it out and place it in the offering plate. E-Giving available online at www.blcbcs.org)*

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Benediction

Closing Song:

“How Great Is Our God”

by Chris Tomlin

The splendor of the King, Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice, All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light, And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice, And trembles at His voice

**(Chorus): How great is our God
Sing with me, How great is our God
And all will see how great, How great is our God**

**And age to age He stands, And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End. Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one, Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb (Chorus)**

**(Bridge): Name above all names, Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing, How great is our God**

(Repeat bridge)

(Chorus 2 times)

Announcements

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