SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS FOR PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

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WELCOME

Rev. Bromleigh J. McCleneghan

SETTING THE STAGE

Looking Toward Jerusalem Ann Weems

ADORATION and PRAISE

PRELUDE

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All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Mark Edwards

* HYMN

***GREETING**

- L: Hosanna to the Son of David!
- P: Hosanna in the highest!
- L: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
- P: Hosanna in the highest!

*BLESSING OF THE PALMS (unison)

O God, who in Jesus Christ triumphantly entered Jerusalem, heralding a week of pain and sorrow, be with us now as we follow the way of the cross. In these events of defeat and victory, you have sealed the closeness of death and resurrection, of humiliation and exaltation. We thank you for these branches that promise to become for us symbols of martyrdom and majesty. Bless them and us that their use this day may announce in our time that Christ has come and that Christ will come again. Amen! Come, Christ Jesus! The children are dismissed to their Sunday School classes at this time

PROCLAMATION OF THE PASSION STORY

THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY	Mark 11:1-11	
ANTHEM		Men's Ensemble
A FITTING ENTRANCE	Donkey Theology	Koloma Make
THE CHANGING SCENE	Lent, 1991	Maren C. Tirabassi
* HYMN	Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days vs. 1, 4	269
THE BETRAYAL	Renderings	J. Barrie Shepherd

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Rev. Ronni S. Verboom

LITANY of CONFESSION

- L: Judas, slave of jealousy, where are you?
- P: I am here.
- L: Peter, slave of fear, where are you?
- P: I am here.
- L: Thomas, slave of doubt, where are you?
- P: I am here.
- L: Men and women of Jerusalem, enslaved to mob rule, where are you?
- P: I am here.
- L: Pilate, slave of expediency, where are you?
- P: I am here.
- L: The story of Christ's passion and death mirrors for us much of our own weakness and sin. We all come *here* as men and women who have missed the mark and who are alienated from God and our neighbors near and far.

*** WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

L: Hear the Good News: Even Judas was included in that last supper with Jesus. **P: Even when we are languishing in the depths, Christ offers his grace.**

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

L: The Peace of Christ be with you. **P: AND ALSO WITH YOU!**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY	Laudate Dominum from K339 (W.A. Mozart)	Chancel Choir
THE LAST SUPPER	The Foot Washing Holy Communion	G.E. Lyon Ann Weems

HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. You do not need to be a member of this church or our denomination to receive Holy Communion. Christ is the host at this table and invites all to come. Please come forward as the ushers direct. If you need communion brought to you, please inform an usher – we will be happy to bring it to you. Gluten-free wafers are served at the communion rail.

Prayer of Consecration Receiving the Bread and Cup

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may be moved by the great cost of your sacrificial love and the life which flows from it, that we might love others even at cost to ourselves. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

IN THE GARDEN	Gethsemane	Ella Wheeler Wilcox
	Murder in the Cathedral	T.S. Eliot
HYMN	Go to Dark Gethsemane, vs. 1	290
THE TRIAL	Fair is Fair	Ann Weems

Richard N. Eick

HYMN	What Wondrous Love is This?, vs. 1-2	292
PETER'S DENIAL	The Courtyard Scene	Ann Weems
HYMN	O Sacred Head, Now Wounded, vs. 1 & 3	286
JESUS BEFORE PILATE	Mark 15:1-15 <i>Again the Story is Told</i>	Ada Jackson
HYMN	To Mock Your Reign, O Dearest Lord, vs. 1 &2	285
JESUS IS CRUCIFIED	Mark 15:20 <i>b</i> -39	
HYMN	Were You There?, vs 1& 4	288
LITURGICAL CYCLES	A Christmas Hymn Richard Wilbur	
*HYMN	The Very Stones Would Sing	see insert
BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE		Mark Edwards