Gathering

Palm Processional: gather in multi-purpose space

VT 79 Sanna, sannanina

Gathering Silence broken with VT 312 Jesus is Coming

Call to worship, Welcome, Birthday Recognition

AMC 50th Anniversary Storytelling

Pictures from the Middle Years

Offering ourselves and our money

Offering VT 313 *Hosanna*, *Loud Hosanna*

Prayer of Confession

L: Christ, transform our hungers

P: Let our desire be for justice

Telling God's Story

Scripture - Mark 11:1-11, 14:3-9

L: The stories of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

Children's time

Sermon

Sharing our Stories

Ritual: Giving of semi-precious stones and Anointing

L: We call on you today, God, to give us courage and clarity about the gifts we bring to you,

Because when we struggle, we want you to share our sorrow, And when we are glad, we want you to share our joy.

All: God, we bring to you the things that are precious to us.

We hold them close, and we offer them to you.

Here are the ways in which we feel inadequate or less-than.

Here are the things we are most proud of.

Here are the hurts we feel, and the joys we celebrate.

VT 564 What Wondrous Love Is This

VT 563 *Come, Thou Fount*

(Children are dismissed for Childrens' Response Time after anointing)

Sermon response/Sharing from our lives
Pastoral Prayer (ending with Prayer of Jesus on back)

Sending

Introduction of Visitors

Announcements (If you have an announcement that pertains to the whole congregation, please get it in writing to the worship leader.)

VT 579 With Astonishment, Fear, and Wonder (vs. 1 only)

Benediction

Thanks to: Worship Leader: Wilma Harder; Song Leader: Mary Gilbert; Musicians: Scott Hochstetler; Anniversary Storytellers: John Nafziger and Jeannette Hughes; Children's time: Stephen Lowe; Sermon: Kyle Schlabach; Children's Response Time: Sara Morris, Bev Lapp; Pastoral sharing and prayer: Isaiah Friesen; Tech Crew: Eric Kaufmann, Sean Smuts; Cover art: Martha Hanby; Visuals: Jerry Lapp, "Palm Sunday: Impending Dark, Approaching Storm;" artwork on table by Bruce Bishop

Second hour: 50th Anniversary storytelling

HEARING ASSISTANCE

This worship space has two systems to help people with hearing loss participate more fully in our life together.

- 1. FM system. Get a receiver and an ear speaker from the sound booth.
- 2. Hearing Loop accessed by hearing aids with t-coils. Find a seat in the worship space and turn on the t-coil.

Prayer of Jesus

Holy One, our only Home, blessed be your name.
May your day dawn, your will be done, here, as in heaven.
Feed us today, and forgive us as we forgive each other.
Do not forsake us at the test, but deliver us from evil.
For the glory, the power, and the mercy are yours, now and forever.
Amen

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