

*Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church: An Inclusive Spiritual Community.* We welcome all who long for meaning, hope, and belonging. Our faith & practice are rooted in the way of Jesus and enriched by wisdom from all sources. We are committed to being and becoming people of radical compassion, working for justice and wholeness in ourselves and the world.



### **Palm/Passion Sunday • March 29**

*Palms: Matthew 21:1-11 Psalm 118:1-2,19-29 Luke 19:29-40*

*Passion: Isaiah 50:4-9 Psalm 31:9-16 Phillipians 2:5-11 Matthew 26:14-27:66*

- 8:30 a.m. Early Service of Worship – Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar – Fellowship Hall/Zoom (see above)
- 11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary/Zoom  
Sunday Studio – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 2
- 12:30 p.m. Youth Gathering – Downstairs
- 1:00 p.m. Friends of Music Set-up – Fellowship Hall/Sanctuary
- 3:00 p.m. Friends of Music Concert – Sanctuary

### **Monday, March 30**

12:15 p.m. Work in the World Team Meeting – Fellowship Hall

### **Tuesday, March 31**

6:00 p.m. Property Committee Meeting – Classroom 1/Zoom

### **Wednesday, April 1**

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

### **Thursday, April 2 • Maundy Thursday**

10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Women – Fellowship Hall/Hybrid

6:00 p.m. Bible at the Bar – The Mecklenburg Inn, 128 E German St, Shepherdstown

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service with Communion – Sanctuary/Zoom

### **Friday, April 3 • Good Friday**

SPC Staff Holiday Office Closed

7:00 p.m. The Seven Last Sayings of Jesus – Asbury UMC, Shepherdstown

### **Resurrection of the Lord Sunday • April 5**

*Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Colossians 3:1-4*

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service – Rumsey Monument Park at the end of Mill Street

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship with Communion – Sanctuary/Zoom

No Sunday Studio - Nursery is available for children under 5

5:00 p.m. Community Meal – Zion Episcopal Church Social Center,  
215 E. Washington St., Charles Town, WV 25414

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### **Season of Lent**

Palm/Passion Sunday

**March 29, 2026**

11:00 a.m.

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### **Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29 (Paraphrase)**

Give thanks to the Holy One,  
whose steadfast love endures forever.

Let all people say:

God's love endures forever.

Open to me the gates of justice,  
that I may enter and give thanks.

This is the gate of the Holy One;  
the faithful may enter here.

The stone the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.

This is the Holy One's doing;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day the Holy One has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we pray, O Holy One.

Prosper us, we pray.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Holy One.

We bless you from the house of the Holy One.

The Holy One is light for us.

Bind the festival procession with branches,  
up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will give you thanks;  
my God, and I will exalt you.

Give thanks to the Holy One,  
whose steadfast love endures forever.

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*Established 1743*

*Radical Hospitality • Holistic Spirituality • Engaged Compassion*

*We Choose Welcome*

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**PALMS LESSONS**

Hosanna in the highest heaven! **Mark 11:10**

Save us, we beseech you! **Psalms 118:25**

**PASSION LESSONS**

He . . . became obedient to the point of death. **Philippians 2:8**

I trust in you, O LORD. **Psalms 31:14**

“Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise. **Luke 22:43**

**THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS**

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**Call to Worship**

**Proclamation of the Triumphal Entry**

Everyone shouted,  
*Hosanna!*

*Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!*

**\*+Procession of the Palms**

“Oba Se Je” (Here Comes the King), *Nigerian*

**First Pew**

**Blessing the World**

Djibouti, Somalia

**\*Response 197**

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

**Welcome and Parish Life**

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**Reading**

**Interlude**

**Lesson**

Luke 19:29-40

**Reflection**

“Between Shouting & Silence”

**\*Hymn 196**

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

**Offering Our Gifts**

**Offertory**

Fanfare for Palm Sunday

**THE LITURGY OF THE PASSION**

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**Lesson**

Matthew 26:1-4

**Response 215, v. 1-2**

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

**Prayer for Holy Week**

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**Lesson**

Matthew 26:36-39, 45b

**Response 215, v. 3-4**

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

**Repose**

**Depart in Silence**

Jesus comes to Jerusalem, the city nearest you.

**Carol Penner**

In a time of deceit, telling the truth is a revolutionary act.

**George Orwell**

Courage is not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it.

**Nelson Mandela**

Maybe you have to know the darkness before you can appreciate the light.

**Madeleine L’Engle**

\*Please rise in body and spirit.

**Lesson Translation**

New Revised Standard Version, Updated Edition

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**To Our Guests**  
We are glad you are with us. Please sign the guest book by the front door and fill in a visitor’s card from the pew pocket. After the service enjoy a cup of fair trade coffee with friends in the Fellowship Hall.

# 197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;  
 2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed 'mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,  
 3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the joy - ful an - them rang,  
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud;  
 for Christ is our Re - deem - er; the Lord of heaven, our King.

To Je - sus, who had blessed them, close fold - ed to his breast,  
 the Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,  
 O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.  
 nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.  
 and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

The opening two stanzas narrate the first Palm Sunday in the past tense, but the third stanza shifts to the present tense to emphasize what current singers do and believe. The repeated elements in this anonymous German tune suggest the repetitive patterns in a crowd's chant.

# All Glory, Laud, and Honor 196

*Refrain*

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re-deem-er, King,

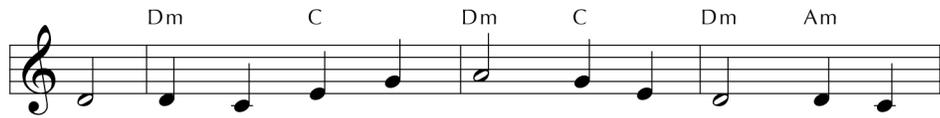
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho-san-nas ring!

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,  
 2 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;  
 3 To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;  
 4 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One.  
 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.  
 to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.  
 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King!

These stanzas for Palm Sunday have been selected and translated from a much longer Latin poem written by a bishop who was the leading theologian in Charlemagne's court. They are sung to a 17th-century German chorale, as adapted for these words in the mid-19th century.

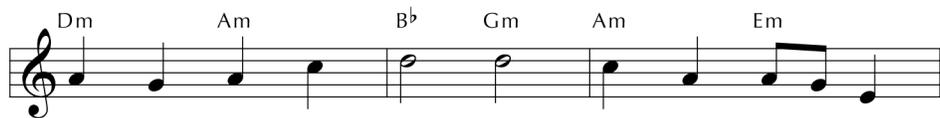
# What Wondrous Love Is This 215



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my  
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing  
 3 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will  
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, what won - drous love is this, O my soul! What  
 down, when I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when  
 sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to  
 on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this that caused the Lord of  
 I was sink - ing down be - neath God's righ - teous  
 God and to the Lamb who is the great I  
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful



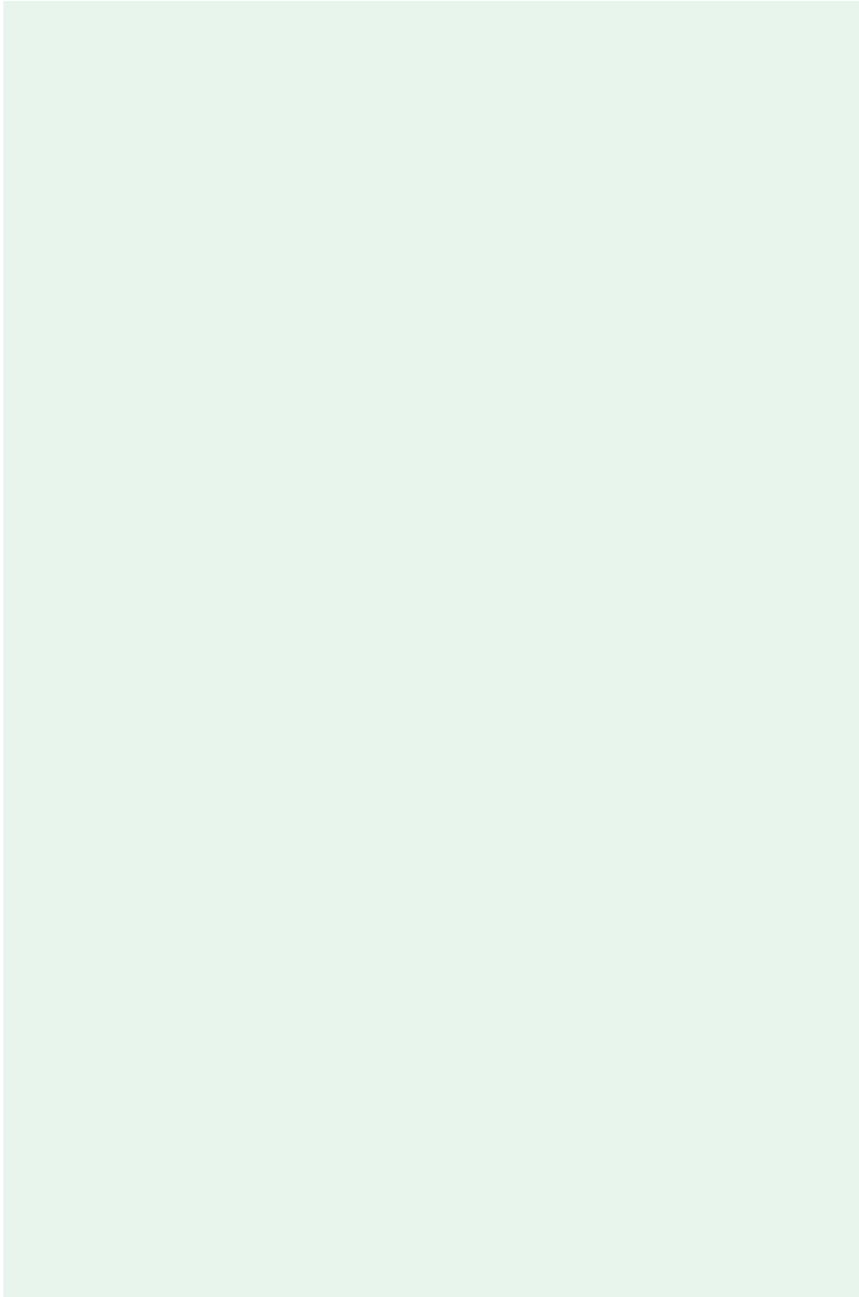
bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my  
 frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul, for my  
 AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will  
 be, and through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on, I'll sing



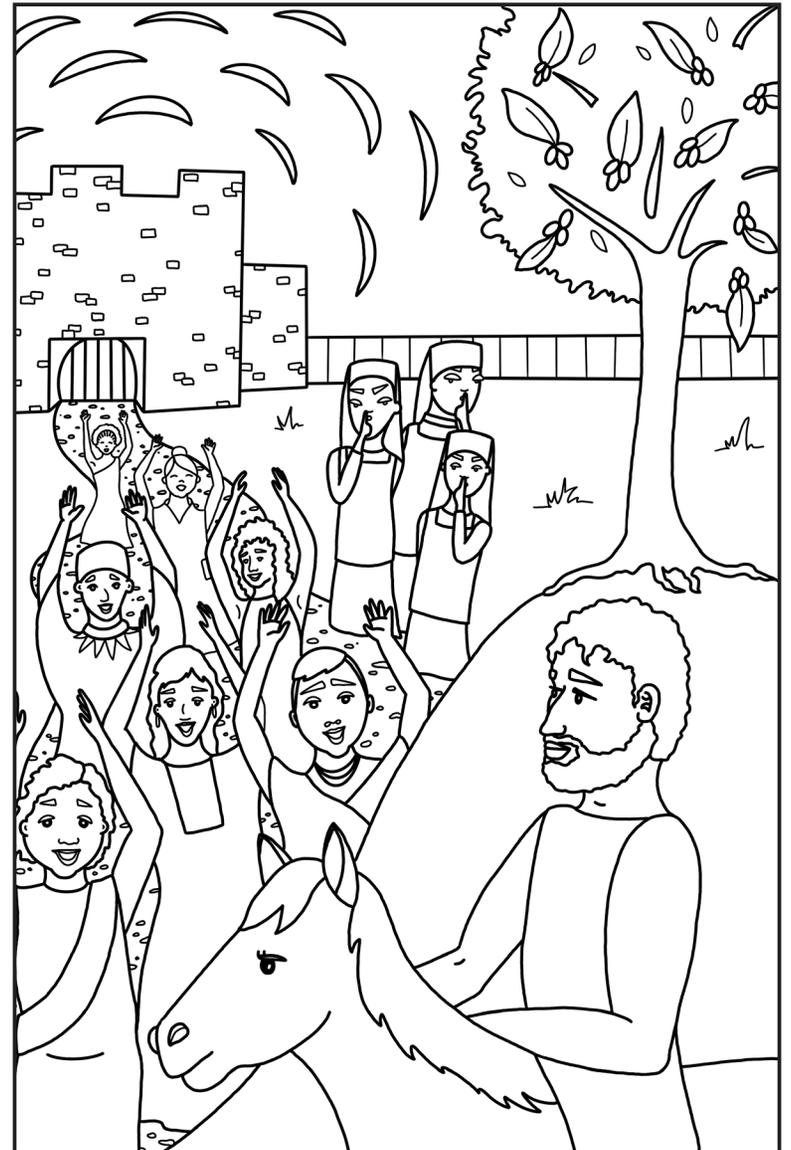
soul, to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!  
 soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul!  
 sing; while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!  
 on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

With its ballad-like repetitions before and after each stanza's central narrative lines, this meditative text needs performance in order to be effective. Its haunting melody proves the means of convincing us that the only adequate response to "wondrous love" is to "sing on."

**Draw** Draw a picture of you talking or listening.

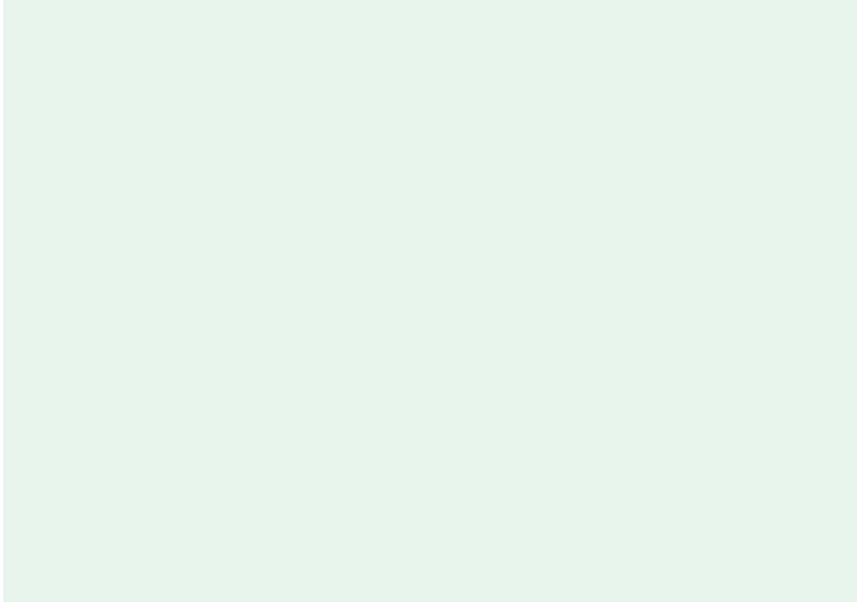


**LUKE 19:29-40**  
Jesus enters Jerusalem  
**MAIN IDEA:** Speaking up is as important as listening.



Color in the story of the Triumphal Entry. | Illustration by Rev. Anna Strickland

**Imagine** *Imagine* a time when you're supposed to be quiet but you need to say something important. Write or draw about what would happen.



**Color** *Color* the things that help us speak up and listen.



**Find** *Find* the words from scripture when you hear them spoken in worship. Words can be vertical, horizontal, and diagonal, and they can overlap each other.

F W R K E X P K O J N L R I X  
 K V N D N U O F E V J G I N Y  
 S E L P I C S I D J O T D E O  
 I P M D I H L B H D K N D D M  
 Z S E V I L O Y R T S E E U J  
 A F U L U H S I R I T S N T O  
 B M N B C G Q U C R N B C I Y  
 E E T K K M N Z S O B G L T F  
 L T I T N E L I S E L F O L U  
 Q G E S Q S K P Y X J T A U L  
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 A K U G L O R Y J A S U S S Y  
 Y N C O N G R H W Z E N T E R  
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| <b>BRING</b>     | <b>FOUND</b>  | <b>JOYFULLY</b>  | <b>SENT</b>   |
| <b>CLOAKS</b>    | <b>GLORY</b>  | <b>MULTITUDE</b> | <b>SHOUT</b>  |
| <b>COLT</b>      | <b>GOD</b>    | <b>OLIVES</b>    | <b>SILENT</b> |
| <b>DISCIPLES</b> | <b>HEAVEN</b> | <b>RIDDEN</b>    | <b>STONES</b> |
| <b>ENTER</b>     | <b>JESUS</b>  | <b>SAYING</b>    | <b>UNTIE</b>  |

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## Pray

*Dear God, thank you for giving each of us a voice. Help us to know when to use our voice to speak up and when to be quiet so we can hear others. Help us to listen especially for people whose voices are not usually heard and to speak up when we have something important to say. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.*