

**THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHESTNUT HILL
PHILADLEPHIA**

“That’s the mystery of Palm Sunday, not how it doesn’t fit into Holy Week, but how well it does. The mystery is that the king of glory could enter the city of his people and be put to death there. The mystery is that the same ones who yelled so loudly ‘Hosanna!’ could a few days later yell more loudly ‘Crucify him’ and not realize they were yelling the same thing.

So we praise this king with ‘Hosanna!’ and ‘All glory!’ but, when we do, we do it as he receives it – looking straight at the cross and knowing that that changes everything.”

~James Van Tholen
“An Alien King”
Where All Hope Lies

**ORDER OF WORSHIP
PALM SUNDAY**

April 5, 2020

10:00 a.m.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Valet Will Ich Dir Geben

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 118)

Leader: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

People: This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: We bless you from the house of the Lord.

Leader: The Lord is God, and has given us light.

People: Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

Leader: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you.

People: O give thanks to the Lord, who is good, and whose steadfast love endures for ever.

INVOCATION

HYMN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O Lord, who on this day entered the rebellious city that later rejected you:
we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's,
that our faith is often more show than substance,
that our hearts are in need of cleansing.

Have mercy on us.
Help us to lay at your feet
all that we have and all that we are, trusting you
to forgive what is sinful,
to heal what is broken,
to welcome our praises,
and to receive us as your own. Amen.

PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.
People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

THE PEACE

Leader: As a forgiven people, let us share Christ's peace with one another.
The peace of Christ be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

WELCOME

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Eternal God, whose word silences the shouts of the mighty, quiet within us every voice
but your own. Speak to us through the ministry of Jesus, as he enters the city to shouts of
praise that will quickly turn. Claim us by your word and fill us with your Spirit. Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy Word.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 21:1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

'Tell the daughter of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

'Hosanna to the Son of David!

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

Hosanna in the highest heaven!'

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy Word.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“A Parade Filled with Turmoil and Hope”

John Wilkinson

ANTHEM*Agnus Dei*Frank Martin
(1890-1974)Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the
world, have mercy upon us.**Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the
world, have mercy upon us.**Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the
world, grant us peace.***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (unison)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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.

HYMN*Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!*

ST. DROSTANE

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**In Memoriam**Joan B. Costello
August 10, 1929—March 27, 2020

WORSHIP LEADERS: Brian Russo, Associate Pastor; Austin Crenshaw Shelley, Associate Pastor; John Wilkinson, Pastor; Linda Lipscomb; Jim, Beth, Helen and Elisa Lutz, Liturgists

MUSIC: PCCH Gallery Choir, Daniel Spratlan, Conductor; Ken Lovett, Organist and Pianist

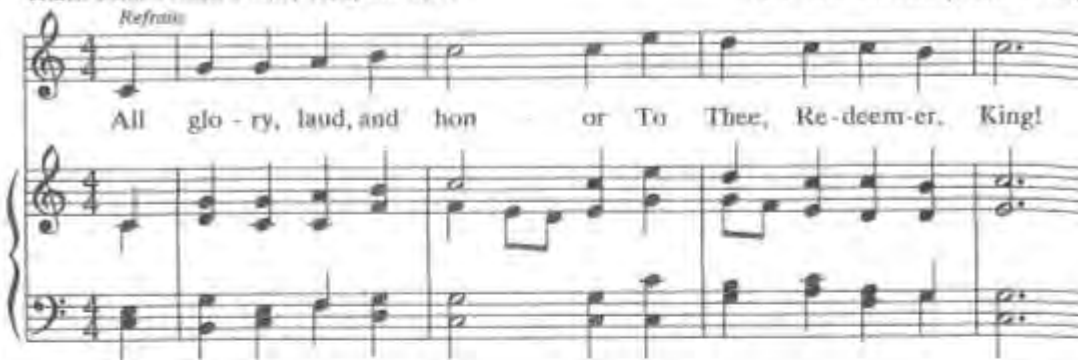
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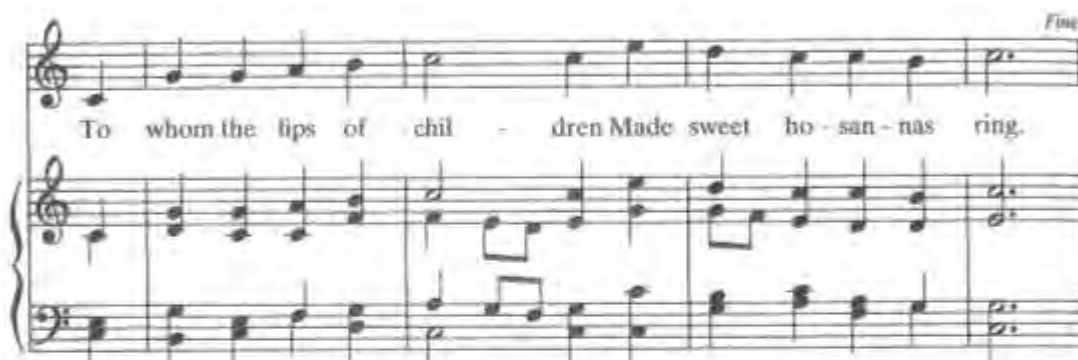
Theodulph of Orleans, c. 820
Trans. John Mason Neale, 1851; alt. 1859

Melchior Teschner, 1614
Arr. William Henry Monk, 1861

Refrain

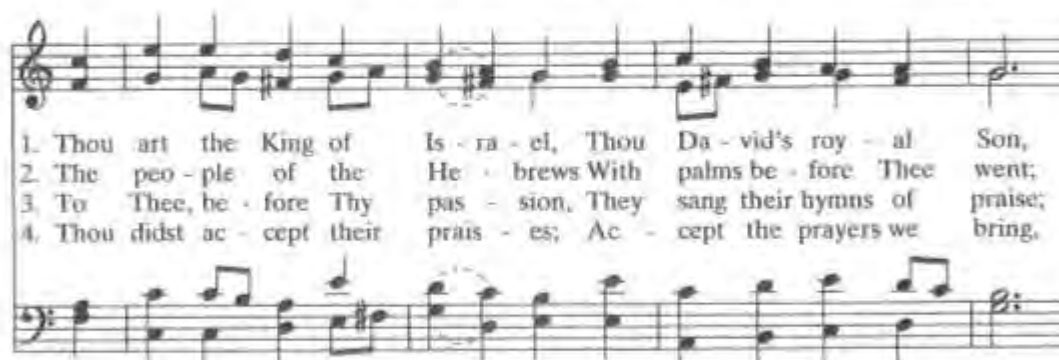


All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To Thee, Re-deem-er, King!



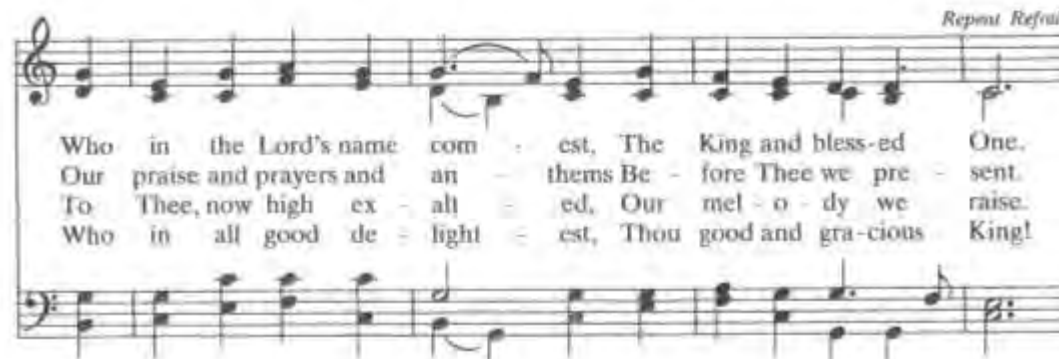
To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

Fine



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,

Repeat Refrain



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 - all - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.
Who in all good de - light - est, Thou good and gra - cious King!

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

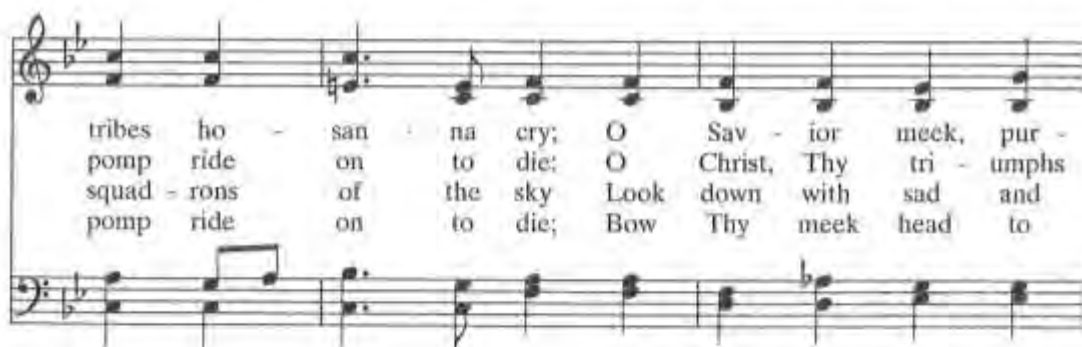
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Henry Hart Milman, 1827

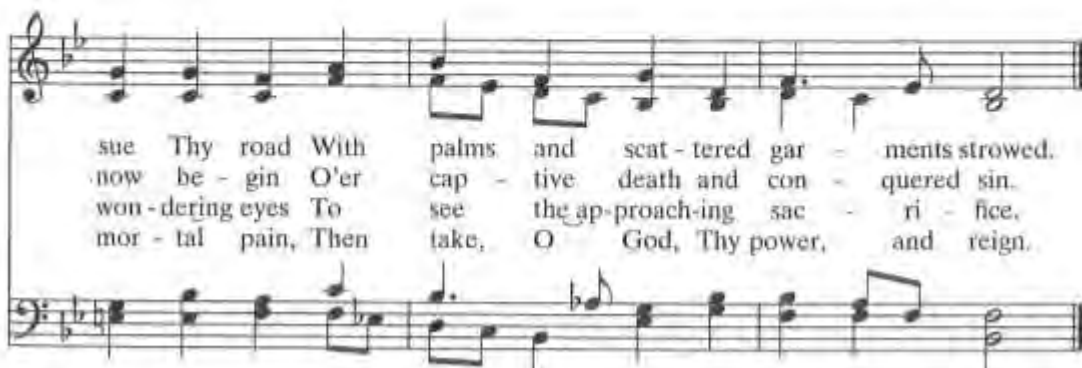
John Bacchus Dykes, 1862



1. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! all the
2. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
3. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! The wing - ed
4. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry; O Sav - ior meek, pur -
pomp ride on to die; O Christ, Thy tri - umphs
squad - rons of the sky Look down with sad and
pomp ride on to die; Bow Thy meek head to



sue Thy road With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
won - dering eyes To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice,
mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy power, and reign.