



PALM SUNDAY

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

MARCH 24, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*Rejoice 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.*

ZECHARIAH 9:9



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Assistant Minister*

The Brass and Organ Prelude

The Palms

Jean Baptiste Fauré

Michael Huff, Brian Reeves, *trumpet*

Jonathan Houghtling, Jason Sulliman, *trombone*

Mike Mason, *tuba*; Jessica Williams, *percussion*

*So 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!”*

John 12:13

The Announcements

Rev. Bill Clark, *Interim Minister*

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

The Chiming of the Hour

The Choral Introit

Blessed is He Who Comes

Christian Gregor

Hosanna, O blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest!

† The Call to Worship – Psalm 24:7-10 (**congregation reads bold type**)

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory?

The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory?

The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory!

•† The Processional Hymn No. 185 *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

ST. THEODULPH

† The Apostles' Creed – inside cover of *The Hymnal*

† The Prayer of Invocation

† The Lord's Prayer

Our Father Which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in 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, for ever. Amen.

•† The Doxology – No. 650 in *The Hymnal*

OLD HUNDREDTH

SEEKING GOD’S FACE

The Call to Confession – Joel 2:12-13

“Yet even now,” declares the LORD, “return to Me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments.”
Return to the LORD your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and He relents over disaster.

The Silent Prayers of Confession

The Assurance of God’s Pardon – Ephesians 1:7-8a

In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace, which He lavished upon us.

The Pastoral Prayer

•✠ The Hymn No. 272

Hail to the Lord’s Anointed

AURELIA

The Offering

*Each one must give as he has decided in his heart,
not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
2 Corinthians 9:7*

HEARING GOD’S VOICE

The Instrumental Offertory

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals

The Prayer for Illumination

† The Reading of God’s Word – John 12:12-16 & Revelation 7:9-17 pew Bible, page 1143 & 1315

*If you are visiting today and do not own a personal copy of the Scriptures,
please take one from the table in the narthex as our gift.*

All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field.

**The grass withers and the flowers fade,
but the Word of our God shall stand forever. Amen.**

Isaiah 40:6b, 8

The Personal Meditation and Preparation of the Heart

*Children age four through kindergarten may leave to attend Children’s Church.
They may be picked up in Room E-100 after the service.*

The Sermon

SAFE AND SOUND

Rev. Cooper

The Closing Prayer

FOLLOWING GOD’S SPIRIT

† The Hymn *Who Are These Arrayed in White?* (see page 5)

† The Benediction of God’s Grace

† The Threefold Amen – No. 657 in *The Hymnal*

The Postlude

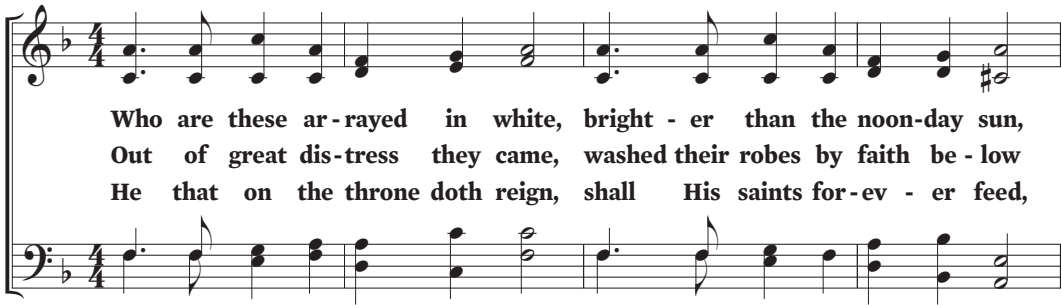
Postlude on ‘The King’s Majesty’

arr. Matthew H. Corl

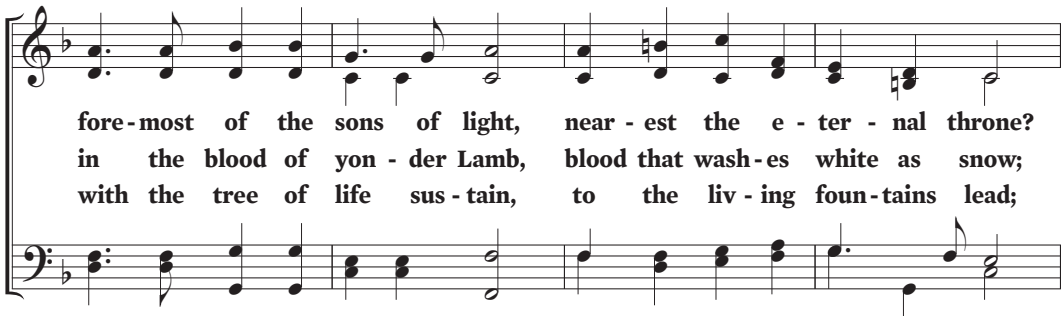
Who Are These Arrayed in White

Charles Wesley

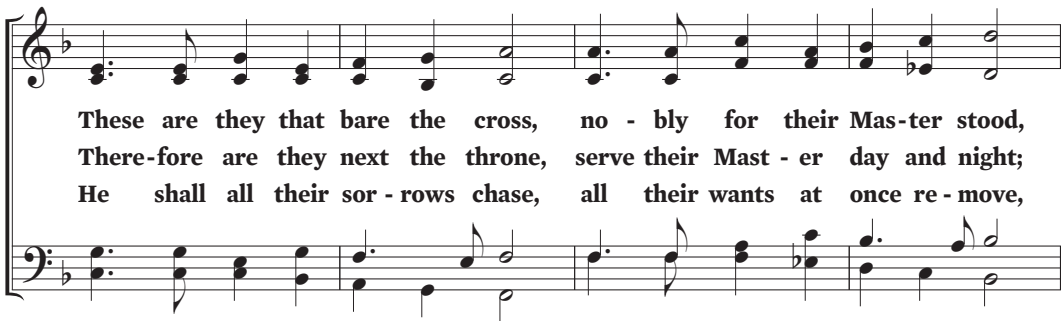
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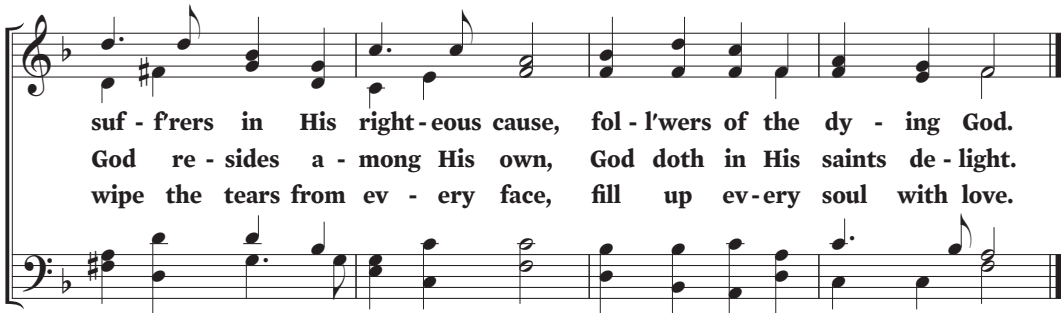
Who are these ar-rayed in white, bright - er than the noon-day sun,
Out of great dis-tress they came, washed their robes by faith be - low
He that on the throne doth reign, shall His saints for-ev - er feed,



fore-most of the sons of light, near - est the e - ter - nal throne?
in the blood of yon - der Lamb, blood that wash-es white as snow;
with the tree of life sus - tain, to the liv - ing foun-tains lead;



These are they that bare the cross, no - bly for their Mas-ter stood,
There-fore are they next the throne, serve their Mast - er day and night;
He shall all their sor - rows chase, all their wants at once re - move,



suf - frers in His right-eous cause, fol - l'wers of the dy - ing God.
God re - sides a - mong His own, God doth in His saints de - light.
wipe the tears from ev - ery face, fill up ev-ery soul with love.

SERMON NOTES

John 12:12-16 & Revelation 7:9-17

Safe and Sound

I. The Triumphal Entry in 33 AD (John 12:12-16)

A. Old Testament Fulfillment

B. Earthly Expectations vs. Providential Purpose

1. What kind of King is this?
2. What kind of victory will He achieve?

C. A Shadow of the Things to Come

II. The Eternal Triumph (Revelation 7:9-17)

A. The Multitude Described (v. 9-10)

1. Innumerable (v. 9)
2. Diverse (v. 9)
3. Clothed in White (v. 9, 14)
4. Palm Branches (v. 9)
5. Their Message (v. 10, 12)

B. The Reality of Heaven (v. 16-17)

1. Sheltered with God's Presence (v. 16)
2. No Hunger or Thirst (v. 16)
3. Guided to Living Water (v. 17)
4. No Tears (v. 17)

III. So What?

HOLY WEEK AT TRINITY



PALM SUNDAY VESPERS | MARCH 24

6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Music by the Children's Choirs, with String Quartet

Homily by the Reverend Bill Clark

MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE | MARCH 28

7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Solo by Henry Coyne, with violinist Grace Kim

Homily by the Reverend Bill Clark

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE | MARCH 29

7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Music by the Chancel Choir and MSO Fellowship Cellist, Jiaoyang Xu

Homily by the Reverend Kurt Cooper

EASTER SUNDAY | MARCH 31

Sunrise Service at 6:00 a.m. on the South Lawn

In case of inclement weather the Sunrise Service will be held in Trinity Hall

Homily by the Reverend Bill Clark

Pancake Breakfast in Trinity Hall

Served immediately following the Sunrise Service – all are welcome!

Easter Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Music by the Chancel Choir with trumpeter Michael Huff.

Overflow seating provided in Trinity Hall

Sermon by the Reverend Kurt Cooper

NO EVENING VESPERS