**Prelude** - Paula Butler **Welcome** - Pastor Diana HunterBell Ringing/silence/ Musical Meditation

## Circle Hymn 328 Surely The Presence of the Lord

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place, I can feel God's mighty power and God's grace. I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face.

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.



### **Call to Worship**

Leader: Blessed is the ruler who comes in the love of God. All: Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven! Amid the powers of this world, Christ comes humbly, riding on a donkey.

Christ alone is our savior and our sovereign.

Christ, we thank you. We honor you. We follow you.

God of love and justice, we worship you. God, save us!

# Hymn 2091 The king of Glory Comes

*Refrain*: The King of Glory comes, the nation rejoices. Open the gates before him,lift up your voices.

Who is the King of glory, how shall we call him? He is Emmanuel, the promised ages. (Refrain)

In all of Galilee, in city and village, He goes among his people curing theirillness. (Refrain)

Sing then of David's Son, our Savior and brother, in all of Galilee was neveranother (Refrain)



## **Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem** Luke 19.28-40

<sup>28</sup> After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup> When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup> They said, "The Lord needs it." <sup>35</sup> Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying,

"Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!"

<sup>39</sup> Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." <sup>40</sup> He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

#### **PRAYER**

Beloved, that we may praise Christ in all we do, grant us mindfulness, O God.
That Jesus may truly be our king, grant us obedience, God.
That we may be as gentle as Christ, grant us humility, O God.
That we may turn to you alone to save us, grant us faith, O God.
Hosanna. Save us! Amen.

# **NEW TESTAMENT: Philippians 2.5-11**

<sup>5</sup> Let the same mind be in you that was<sup>[a]</sup> in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, <sup>7</sup> but emptied

himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form,<sup>8</sup> he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

<sup>9</sup> Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> sothat at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

<sup>11</sup> and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

#### **PRAYER**

For the gift of Christ, who comes among us as our humble servant, we give you thanks, O God.

For our lust for power, and for wanting our own way, forgive us, God.

For our distrust of your grace, heal our fearful hearts.

For deep trust in the power of resurrection, give us faith, O God. Amen.

# **OLD TESTAMENT (Isaiah 50.4-7)**

<sup>4</sup> The Lord GOD has given methe tongue of a teacher,[a] that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup> The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious,

I did not turn backward.

<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.



Isaiah 50:4, NRSV

<sup>7</sup> The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

## Litany

God has called me to reach out to those in need, to sustain the weary with good news.

Morning by morning God awakens me and calls me to humble awareness.

God has opened my understanding,

therefore I won't turn away.

I stand in solidarity with those who suffer,

I give my heart to those who know injustice.

I will not hide from our cruelty.

God helps me to enter the suffering of the world. I will not fear disgrace.

Therefore I have courage to move forward.

I am not afraid of the world's taunts.

I believe only God's gracious love.

To those who don't believe this

I will come near, without fear.

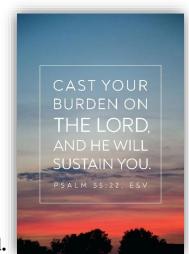
Even to those who would oppose me

I am not afraid to act in love

#### PRAYER OF DISCIPLESHIP

We pray that we may be at peace with Christ, our savior and our ruler. We pray that we may be at peace with all that is wounded in us. We pray that we may be at peace with all people, and all Creation. We pray that we may be at peace with those who oppose us as we resist injustice. We pray for the work of your Spirit in our own lives.

We pray for those in need.



### **Prayers of the People**

Please share your requests and joys in comments

(Sing 3 times) Lord, listen to your children praying

Lord, listen to your children praying Lord send your Spirit in this place Lord, listen to your children praying Send us Love, send us Power, send us Grace.



### Pastoral Prayer said by Pastor

Lord's Prayer said by all: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever and ever. (sing) Amen. Amen. Amen

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# **Doxology**

# Hymn 301 Jesus, keep me near the Cross vs 1,2,4

Jesus, keep me near the cross there a precious fountain, free to all a healingstream, flows from Calvary's mountain.

*Refrain*: In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever, til my raptured soul shall findrest beyond the river.

Near the cross a trembling soul, love and mercy found me; there the bright and morning star sheds its beams around me. (Refrain)

Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hoping, trusting ever, til I reach the goldenstrand just beyond the river. (Refrain)

Message - Rev. Diana Hunter

Hymn 2198 Stay with me

Stay with me, remain here with me, watch and pray, watch and pray. (Sing 3 times)

 $\textbf{Benediction} - Don \ Sheffel, \ MD/Lay \ Speaker$ 

**Postlude** – Paula Butler

