



**Peace United Church of Christ**  
**Worship Resources for Palm/Passion Sunday**  
**April 13, 2025**

**Welcome**

**Opening Hymn**

**“ Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”**

Hosanna, loud hosanna,  
the little children sang;  
Through pillared court and temple  
the lovely anthem rang.  
To Jesus, Who had blessed them  
close folded to His breast,  
The children sang their praises,  
the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed  
mid an exultant crowd,  
The victor palm branch waving,  
and chanting clear and loud.

The Lord of men and angels  
rode on in lowly state,  
Nor scorned that little children  
should on His bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!”  
that ancient song we sing,  
For Christ is our Redeemer,  
the Lord of heav'n our King.  
O may we ever praise Him  
with heart and life and voice,  
And in His blissful presence  
eternally rejoice!

**Opening Prayer**

***God of palms and cloaks  
and parades and proclamations,  
we gather on this Palm Sunday ready to shout our praises.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Jesus' arrival in the city of his ancestors begins this Holy Week:  
a week of fulfillment and confrontation,  
a week when rejection and denial become bigger  
than repentance and discovery.  
Prepare us for the drama of these days. Amen***

**Scripture Reading**

**Luke 19: 28-40**

**Continuing Testament**

**“Holy Week”**

a poem by Ann Weems

**Meditate on the Passion:** Luke 23: 1-49

**Prayers of the People/The Prayer of Our Savior (debts and debtors)**

**Closing Song**

**“I Need Thee”**

I need Thee ev'ry hour, Most gracious Lord;  
No tender voice like Thine Can peace afford.  
I need Thee, O I need Thee; Ev'ry hour I need Thee;  
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee!

I need Thee ev'ry hour, Teach me Thy will;  
And Thy rich promises In me fulfill.  
I need Thee, O I need Thee; Ev'ry hour I need Thee;  
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee!

**Benediction & Sending Forth**