



**Worship Service for April 13, 2025  
Palm Sunday**

<b>Prelude</b>	Marshall Davies
<b>Chiming of the Hour</b>	Margaret Stone
<b>Welcome</b>	Pastor Felix Carrión
<b>Centering Moment</b>	Pastor Felix Carrión
<b>Praise &amp; Worship Celebration</b>	Congregation

**"Traveling Friend"**

There's a friend whose walking this road with us.  
Helping us to notice what is real.  
Showing hearts and minds a deeper meaning.  
And understanding ev'rything we feel.

And if you want this trav'ling friend to stay with you.  
All you've got to do is pray  
and when you share your bread this Friend is there with you.  
Helping eyes to see a brand new way.

Stay, trav'ling Friend, please stay.

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You make my heart feel new.

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You make OUR hearts feel new.

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## **Announcements**

Margaret Stone

## **Call to Worship**

Margaret Stone

LEADER: Humble and riding on a donkey,

**ALL: we greet you.**

LEADER: Acclaimed by crowds and caroled by children,

**ALL: we cheer you.**

LEADER: Moving from the peace of the countryside to the  
corridors of power,

**ALL: we greet you, Jesus.**

LEADER: You are giving the beast of burden,

**ALL: a new dignity.**

LEADER: You are giving majesty,

**ALL: a new face.**

LEADER: With them, with heart and voice, we shout:

**ALL: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of God.**

**\*Hymn**

Congregation

TNCH #216 "All Glory, Laud and Honor"

All glory, laud, and honor  
to you, O Christ, we sing,  
to whom the lips of children  
Made sweet hosannas ring!

To you, before your passion,  
they sang their hymns of praise;  
to you, now high exalted,  
our melody we raise.

As you received their praises,  
receive our prayers today,  
whose justice and whose mercy  
and sovereignty hold sway.

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to you, O Christ, we sing,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring!

## **The Blessing Of The Palms**

Pastor Felix

### **Invitation to Bring our Palms Forward**

Congregation

**ALL: God, we thank you for these palms that promise to become for us symbols of creation and majesty. Bless them that their use this day may announce in our time that Jesus has come and has triumphed in victory for humanity. Hosanna in the highest! Praise be to God!**

**Amen.**

### **Invitation to Lay Palms on the Altar and Ground**

Congregation

**Biblical Witness**

Pastor Felix Carrión

Luke 19:28-40

When Jesus had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 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. After throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. 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, saying, “Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!”

**Contemporary Witness**

Margaret Stone

Who Is Jesus? Answers to Your Questions About the  
Historical Jesus

by John Dominic Crossan & Richard G. Watts

I can accept the term “mission” to describe what Jesus was up to because it was more than merely a personal lifestyle. Of course, I don’t mean to read into the word “mission” the whole enterprise, for example, of Paul’s journeys throughout the Mediterranean world, much less any they of later Christian evangelizing. But it is clear to me that Jesus had a magnificent vision of the Kingdom of God here on earth and lived that vision out. What is clear to me also is that he empowered other persons to be actively involved with him in that mission.

**Reflection**

Pastor Felix Carrión

“One on a Horse, One on a Donkey”

**Special Music**

Plymouth Choir

TNCH # 164 “Arise, Your Light Is Come”

Arise, your light is come!

The Spirit’s call obey;

Show forth the glory of your God

Which shines on you to-day!

Arise, your light is come!

Fling wide the prison door;

Proclaim the captive's liberty,

Good tidings to the poor.

Arise, your light is come!

All you in sorrow born,

Bind up the broken-hearted ones

And comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light is come!

The mountains burst in song!

Rise up like eagles on the wing;

God's power will make us strong.

**Pastoral Prayer with Joys & Concerns**

Pastor Felix Carrión



## **Invitation to Offering**

Margaret Stone

Montgomery County Women's Center

## **Offertory Music**

Marshall Davies

## **Doxology**

Congregation

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God for all that Love has done

Creator, Christ, and Spirit one Amen.

## **\*Offertory Prayer**

Margaret Stone

**ALL:**

**Holy One, we come to you with hearts filled with praise and gratitude for the blessings you give us each day. We acknowledge that faithful giving is a joyful act of worship. Help us understand that our giving expresses our love for you and others. Bless these offerings in service of all that is holy, good, and noble.**

**Amen.**

## **\*Congregation Song**

Congregation

## Sing! #192 "Carry the Light"

We have all witnessed Your presence.

We have all received Your grace.

We give You honor and glory.

For moving in this place.

Now we go out to share the Good News.

Now we go out to share Your love.

Now we go out to share the Good News.

Now we go out to share Your love.

Carry the Light!

Carry the Light!

Carry the Light to all the earth!

Carry the Light!

Carry the Light!

Carry the Light of Jesus Christ!

(x2)

**Benediction**

Pastor Felix Carrión

**Song Of Parting**

Congregation

TNCH #236 "Halleluja"

Halle, halle, halle - luja.

Halle, halle, halle - luja.

Halle halle, halle - luja.

Halleluja, halleluja.

Halle, halle, halle - luja.

Halle, halle, halle - luja.

Halle halle, halle - luja.

Halleluja, halleluja.

**Postlude**

Marshall Davies

**Today's Worship Participants**

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