*Scripture Mark 11:1-11 Sarah Joy Espinoza-Evans

Message, part I Jerusalem Reverend Burke Owens

SHADOWS, PART II

They Took My Lord Away In Darkness Do I Wander

Message, part II Reverend Burke Owens

SHADOWS, PART III

Kyrie
Who Could Have Imagined?
But Morning Never Came

Into God's hands Ah, Holy Jesus

*Benediction Reverend Burke Owens

SHADOWS ORCHESTRA

Flute Viola

Mimi Carlson Stephen Moore

Oboe Cello

Julianne Stafford Thomas Shoebotham

French Horn Bass

Diane Ryan John Whitecar

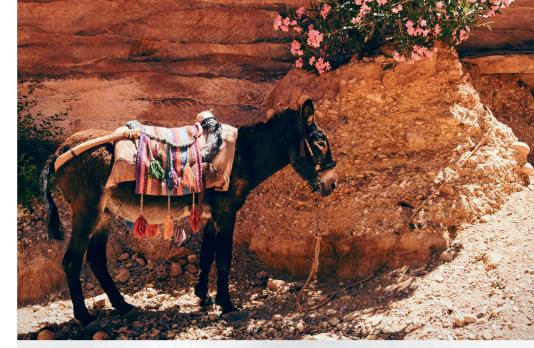
Violin 1 Harp (synthesizer) Alan Cooper Nancy Whitecar

Violin 2 Organ

Florence Wong Diane Keller

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John B. Kumer by Carol Kumer.

Senior Pastor: Reverend Burke Owens Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries: Reverend Gerardo Garcia Palacios Director of Music: Mark Shaull Organist: Diane Keller Head Usher: Daniel Fifita



FIRST PALO ALTO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Palm Sunday

SUNDAY MARCH 24, 2024 10:45 AM SERVICE



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PALO ALTO SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024

Prelude Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

J. Wayne Kerr (b. 1958)

Introit Hosanna to the King

Dan Forrest

Welcome

Reverend Burke Owens

Life of the Community

Sumith Kalas

*Call to Worship

Sumith Kalas

We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips; we will travel through betrayal and death, cradling hope deep in our hearts.

Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow, for he is the life we long for, he is the Word who sustains us.

We wave palm branches in anticipation; we lay our love before him, to cushion his walk.

Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes: modeling humility and obedience for all of us.

Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God.

*Hymn

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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Refrain:

All glory, laud, and honor, to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

- 1. Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One. [Refrain]
- 2. The company of angels are praising thee on high, and we with all creation in chorus make reply. [Refrain]

- 3. The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our prayer and praise and anthems before thee we present. [Refrain]
- 4. To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. [Refrain]
- 5. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King. [Refrain]

Children's Moment

Reverend Gerardo Garcia Palacios

Prayers of the People

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord, for these gifts, we give you thanks!

*Lord's Prayer

Reverend Burke Owens

Our Creator who art in heaven, hallowed be your Name. Your kingdom come, your 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hvmn

Hosanna. Loud Hosanna

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- 1. 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.
- 2. From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd, the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud. The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

3. "Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

Invitation to the Offering

Sumith Kalas

Offertory Prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, as we bring our gifts and lay them at your altar, we remember the crowds in Jerusalem who laid their cloaks on the road, shouting "Hosanna" as Jesus passed. We know they were looking for a Messiah who was different from whom you sent Jesus to be – not one of political power and military might, but one who came in compassion and mercy to heal, love, and save. Search our hearts that we might be confident that the Messiah for whom we long is the one you know we need – Jesus Christ, your anointed one, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Offertory

*Doxology

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SHADOWS, PART I DOUGLAS E. WAGNER

> Oh Holy Jesus It is I, Lord