When they had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples ahead, 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. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord has need of it."

This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

After bringing the colt to Jesus and throwing their cloaks on its back, the disciples set Jesus upon it. As he rode along, people spread their cloaks upon the road.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing. It is marvelous in our eyes.

Open the gates of righteousness, O God, that we may enter through them.

This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

The Lord is God, and God has given us light as a lamp to our feet.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Bind the festival procession with palm branches. Enter the gates of righteousness with shouts of thanksgiving.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven, and glory to God in the highest heaven!

Hearing the crowd's shouts of praise, some of the Pharisees said to Jesus, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop."

But Jesus answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Children's Choir

This Is the Day Grayson Reeves, Hudson Jarrett, Dallyn Clark, and Emma Jane Morrison – Quartet

> Earth Is Full of Wit and Wisdom Jesus Loves the Little Children

(Children and Youth are invited to go to The Way.)

Prayer of the Day

Foundation of our faith, your Son humbled himself on the back of a colt.

Then he entered Jerusalem in lowly estate to bring joy to the hearts of children.

Forsaking his place at your side, Jesus emptied himself of prestige and power to become a servant to all.

On this day of joy and remembrance, sing in our hearts once more, that we too may dance with the children, for to such belong the kingdom of heaven. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Reading Luke 19:28-40

Message The Other Way Pastor Faith Weedling

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed **UMH 881** †Response Glory Be to the Father **UMH 70**

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

†Hymn The Palms Insert

Presenting Our Offerings and Commitments to God

If you are a first-time guest, there is no expectation for you to give to the offering; your presence with us is a gift.

Offertory

"Were You There"

arr. Whitworth

†Doxology

UMH 95

†Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING FORTH

†Hymn

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

UMH 278

†Benediction

†Taking the Light into the World

†Postlude

Allegro Vivace from "Toccata pour Grand Orgue" Gaston Belier

†Indicates standing interval if you are able

We have equipment for the hearing impaired. If you wish to use this equipment, please see an usher

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April 13, 2025 11:00am

Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

ENTRANCE AND PREPARATION

Prelude

#3 From "A Suite of Wesley Hymns"

{Tune: Sagina} arr. Whitworth

Ringing the Disciples into Worship

Greeting

First Hand Experience Children's Puppet Team *Arise My Love*

Newsong

Words of Welcome

Please take a moment during the service to sign our Welcome Folder and pass it down your pew so others may sign.