



The Chosen

Join us on Thursday, March 28
at 1:30 in the Fireside Room.

Worship Notes.

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CENTRE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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We Welcome Everyone: An Open and Affirming Church

Rev Thomas Bentley, Pastor

Douglas W. Hodgkins, Organist/Choir Director

Leah O'Brien, Director of Tower Day School



**“Risen This Day”, A Cantata for Easter
Preformed by Centre Church Choir**

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5 Summer Street, Lynnfield, Massachusetts

Palm Sunday

March 24, 2024 10:00 am

Rev. Thomas Bentley



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made!

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: Open wide the gates of your hearts.

People: Let the Savior enter!

Leader: Shout with joy, all you people.

People: The Savior has come forth bringing peace. AMEN.

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Hosanna! Blessed is Jesus who comes in God's Name! We stand at the gates of our Jerusalem and wave our branches high. We get caught up in the excitement of the parade. Jesus sits astride a donkey, a beast of burden bearing a most precious gift. Let the joy fill your hearts this day as we shout our Hosannas. Praise God for the wondrous ways in which our lives have been touched. Prepare our hearts to worship and celebrate this day!

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

Opening Hymn

"All Glory Laud and Honor"

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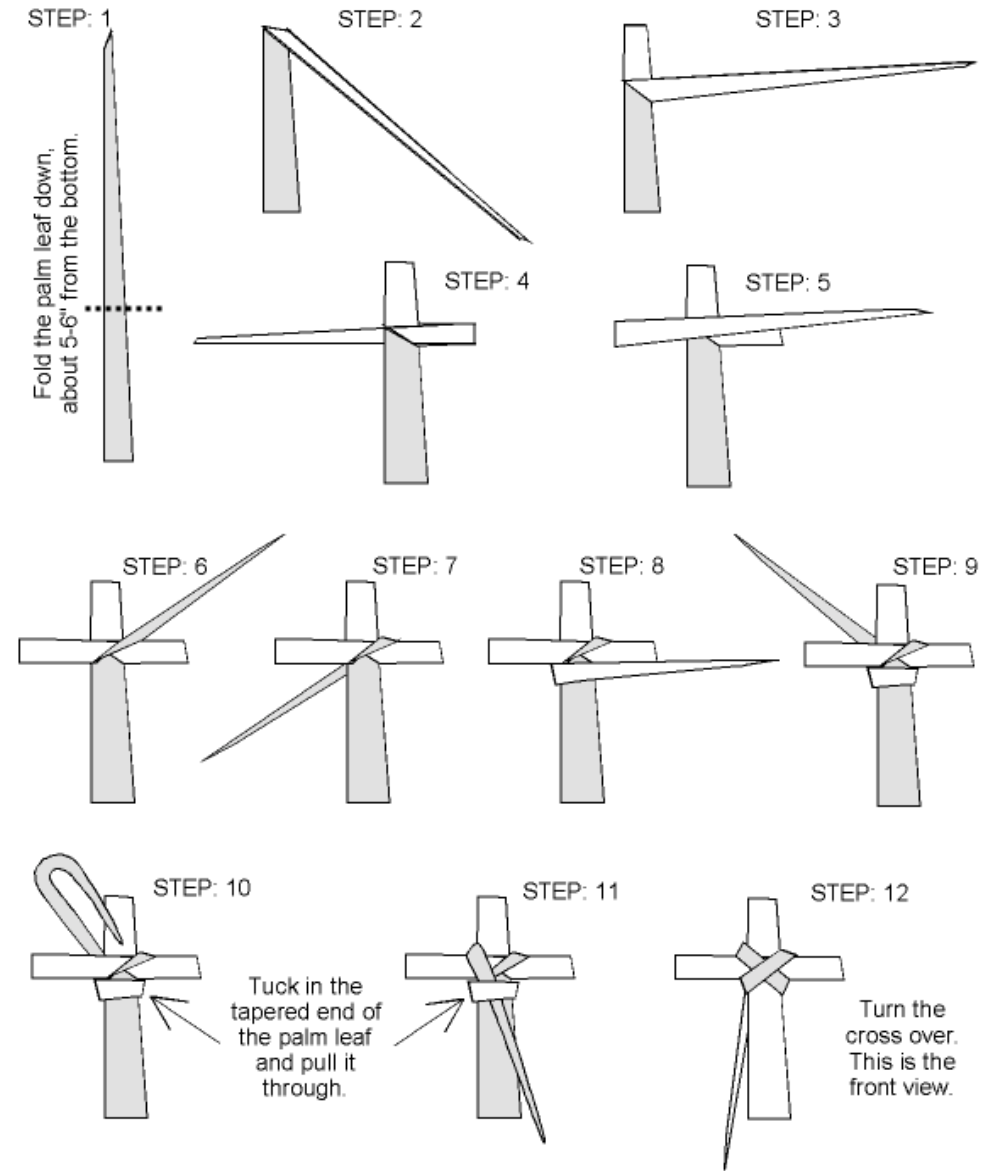
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Palm Leaf Cross Directions

Supplies: One palm leaf strip about 24-26" in length, 1/2" in width, tapering to the end.



Our thanks to Choir Members, Douglas Hodgkins, Narrators, and guest musician for the inspiring music this morning.

The flowers on the altar this morning are given by Karen and Paul Harrington.

Remembering my Dad, Donald Blanchard, on his birthday.

Our ushers today are David Bjorkman and Bob MacKendrick.

We welcome all who are worshiping with us today. Please join us for fellowship and refreshments in the Narthex following the service. Our thanks to Dave and Diane Bjorkman for being our hosts today.



Holy Week

Thursday, March 28

7 pm Maunday Thursday Service in the Chapel

Sunday, March 31

6:15 am Easter Sunrise Service at Newhall Park

10 am Easter Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary

New Testament Reading

Mark 11:1-11

When they were nearing Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany on Mount Olives, he sent off two of the disciples with instructions: "Go to the village across from you. As soon as you enter, you'll find a colt tethered, one that has never yet been ridden. Untie it and bring it. If anyone asks, 'What are you doing?' say, 'The Master needs him, and will return him right away.'" They went and found a colt tied to a door at the street corner and untied it. Some of those standing there said, "What are you doing untying that colt?" The disciples replied exactly as Jesus had instructed them, and the people let them alone. They brought the colt to Jesus, spread their coats on it, and he mounted. The people gave him a wonderful welcome, some throwing their coats on the street, others spreading out rushes they had cut in the fields. Running ahead and following after, they were calling out, Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in God's name! Blessed the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in highest heaven! He entered Jerusalem, then entered the Temple. He looked around, taking it all in. But by now it was late, so he went back to Bethany with the Twelve.

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The Message

Children's Time *Children are encouraged to return to sit with their families to enjoy the Cantata. The nursery is open for those 4 and younger*

Call to Offering

*Hymn of Praise

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all creatures here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Living God, who we adore.

Prayer of Dedication

**“Risen This Day”
A Cantata for Easter
by Benjamin Harlan**

Risen This Day

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
(with “All Creatures of our God and King”)

Out of Love, He Broke the Bread

He Chose the Cross

Come and Crucify

Amazing Love

God So Loved the World

Benediction

Rev. Tom Bentley

**Narrators: Linda Ladd and Jeff Law
Steve Skop, Bass
Director, Douglas Hodgkins**

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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**1 All glory, laud, and honor
To you, O Christ, we sing!
To whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.
The people of the Hebrews
with palms adorned your way
our praise and prayer and anthems
we offer you this day.**

**2 O Promised One of Israel,
of David’s royal line,
the one called “God’s beloved”,
Of flesh and yet divine.
To you, before your passion,
they sang their hymns of praise;
To you now high exalted,
our melody we raise.**

**3 As you received their praises,
receive our prayers today,
whose justice and whose mercy
and sovereignty hold sway.
All glory, laud, and honor to you,
O Christ, we sing,
To whom the lips of children made
sweet hosannas ring!**